For Council Meeting of: February 23, 2016

CITY OF SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JESSICA JONES, SENIOR PLANNER

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF PROFESSIONAL

SERVICES AGREEMENT F000893 – ROSELAND AREA/SEBASTOPOL ROAD SPECIFIC PLAN

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Planning and Economic Development Department that the Council, by resolution, authorize the Mayor to execute an Assignment and Assumption of the Professional Services Agreement with Pacific Municipal Consultants (PMC) by Michael Baker International, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation for preparation of the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan and Environmental Impact Report, Agreement Number F000893, dated December 2, 2014.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On November 18, 2014 the Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with Pacific Municipal Consultants (PMC), in the sum of \$646,904 for preparation of the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan (Specific Plan) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Subsequently, in February 2015, PMC entered into a purchase agreement with Michael Baker International, Inc. (Michael Baker). The merger of PMC into Michael Baker was completed in December 2015. Because the Professional Services Agreement for the development of the Specific Plan and EIR was with PMC, an Assignment and Assumption Agreement must be executed to allow the project to continue with Michael Baker. The project consultant team members, timeframe for completion and budget have not changed.

The Specific Plan and EIR support Council Goal 5: Improve the Partnerships between Neighborhoods, Community Organizations, Schools, and the City to Support and Promote Thriving, Inclusive, and Diverse Neighborhoods; and Strategic Objective 1: Develop a Work Plan and Costs for Roseland Annexation. The Specific Plan and EIR will provide supporting data and information for the future annexation and are therefore supportive of this Council goal and objective.

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BACKGROUND

- 1. The City of Santa Rosa received a grant from the Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) for \$647,000 for development of a Priority Development Area (PDA) plan which combines the Roseland Area PDA and a portion of the Sebastopol Road Corridor PDA. The plan focuses around the Southside Bus Transfer Center at the Southwest Community Park on Hearn Avenue. The planning area, which is bounded by Highway 12 to the north, Bellevue Avenue to the south, Highway 101 to the east, and Stony Point Road to the west, contains approximately 1,800 acres, 1,200 of which are in the City and 600 of which are in unincorporated Sonoma County.
- 2. On March 11, 2014, the City Council, by Resolution No. 28441, authorized the filing of an application for federal funding assigned to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan, committing the necessary local matching funds, stating the assurance of the City to complete the project, and appropriating federal funds into the project account.
- 3. On September 23, 2014 the City was notified by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) that the grant funds had been authorized, effective September 16, 2014. With this authorization, the project could proceed, beginning with award of a contract for professional consulting services.
- 4. On December 2, 2014, the City Council, by Resolution No. 28586, approved a Professional Services Agreement with PMC in the sum of \$646,904 for preparation of the Specific Plan and EIR.
- On December 16, 2015 City staff received a letter from Michael Baker International providing information and assurance regarding the merger of PMC into Michael Baker.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On December 2, 2014, the City Council, by Resolution No. 28586, approved a Professional Services Agreement with PMC in the sum of \$646,904 for preparation of the Specific Plan and EIR.

ANALYSIS

The Professional Services Agreement with PMC involves the preparation of the Roseland Area/Sebastopol Road Specific Plan (Specific Plan) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The Specific Plan will comprehensively address land use and transportation issues and develop an integrated plan which assesses infrastructure

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needs and costs and provides an implementation guide for the Plan area. The Specific Plan and EIR will also provide supporting data and information for the future Roseland Area Annexation.

In February 2015, PMC entered into a purchase agreement with Michael Baker International and the merger was completed in December 2015. Because the Professional Services Agreement was with PMC, and the change included an acquisition and merger, an Assignment and Assumption Agreement must be executed to allow the project to continue with Michael Baker. It should be noted that the project consultant team members, timeframe for completion and budget have not changed.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this project was allocated in November 2014, and there are no changes requested to the budget as part of this Agreement. Approval of this action does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The approval of the assignment and consent is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ISSUES

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

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