

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2026-065

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BKF ENGINEERS FOR PREPARATION OF AN UPDATE TO THE NORTH SANTA ROSA STATION AREA SPECIFIC PLAN AND SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SEIR) AND AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO ESTABLISH APPROPRIATIONS OF \$443,685 WITH THE SOURCE OF FUNDS BEING A \$300,000 GRANT FROM THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC) IN JL KEY 08073 AND THE ADVANCE PLANNING FUND JL KEY 08015

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2022, MTC adopted Resolution 4530, the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy; and

WHEREAS, the TOC Policy incentivizes local jurisdictions to plan and zone for higher residential densities and commercial intensities in areas within one-half mile of existing and planned fixed-guideway transit stops and stations to support the region's transit investments and implement key GHG reduction strategies from Plan Bay Area 2050+; and

WHEREAS, in 2023 MTC designated the Downtown Station Area and North Santa Rosa Station Area as Transit Oriented Communities within the City of Santa Rosa; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2024, MTC announced a Call for Projects for TOC Planning and Implementation Grants, with applications due November 22, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on November 22, 2024, the City submitted a \$300,000 grant application under the TOC Specific Plans and Zoning Changes category to update the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and prepare the necessary environmental analysis; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2025, the MTC Planning Committee approved the City's \$300,000 grant award; and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2025, the Council formally accepted the grant to fund amendments to the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and to prepare the environmental review document required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2026, the MTC Commission adopted the \$45 million TOC Incentive Program through Resolution No. 4754, including the TOC Evaluation Framework and Program Guidelines, as part of the One Bay Area Grants (OBAG) 4 evaluation criteria established under Resolution No. 4740; and

WHEREAS, cities that are consistent with the TOC policy are eligible to compete for grants of \$2 million to \$4 million through the OBAG 4 TOC Incentive Program to be used for transportation and public works projects that meet the requirements detailed in the OBAG 4 Project Selection and Programming Policies and the OBAG 4 County Program, as well as additional grant funds through MTC's North Bay Augmentation; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2026, the City released a Request for Proposals to update the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and prepare the associated environmental analysis; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2026, staff from the Planning and Economic Development and Transportation and Public Works Departments interviewed four planning consultant firms and selected BKF Engineers as the most qualified consultant team for the project; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work associated with the Professional Services Agreement will allow completion of an update to the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and SEIR, with an amount not to exceed four hundred forty-three thousand six hundred and eighty-five dollars and no cents (\$443,685).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves and authorizes the Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with BKF Engineers, in an amount not to exceed \$443,685, in substantially the same form as Exhibit A, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, for preparation of an update to the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan and Subsequent Environmental Impact Report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to pay all claims for services performed under this agreement from JL Key 08073 - North Station Area Specific Plan Update, appropriate expenditures of \$443,685 in JL Key 08073, and recognize offsetting grant revenue in the General Fund 1100-4426.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 16th day of June, 2026.

AYES: (7) Mayor Stapp, Vice Mayor Okrepkie, Council Members Alvarez, Bañuelos, Fleming, MacDonald, Rogers

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

RECUSE: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
Chief Assistant City Attorney

Exhibit A – Professional Services Agreement with BKF Engineers