

1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-21-0040

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY
5 MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT, AND ANY
6 AMENDMENTS THERETO, WITH VASQUEZ & COMPANY
7 LLP WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, FOR AS-
8 NEEDED ACCOUNTING SERVICES, IN A TOTAL
9 AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$210,000 FOR THE PERIOD
10 ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2021

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12 WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Long Beach, Section 1801, permits
13 the City Manager to enter into a contract on behalf of the City, in writing or otherwise,
14 without advertising for bids, for services, supplies, materials, equipment or labor for
15 actual emergency work when authorized by resolution; and

16 WHEREAS, the Financial Management Department, Accounting and
17 Budget Management Bureau's capacity is currently limited with staff diverted to critical
18 Citywide efforts, including the LB COAST project implementation and pandemic cost
19 recovery activities; and

20 WHEREAS, since October 2020, Vasquez & Company, LLC ("Vasquez")
21 has been providing crucial short-term accounting services across various functions,
22 including analyzing financial records, audit documentation preparation, and the Citywide
23 indirect cost plan development for FY 22; and

24 WHEREAS, Vasquez staff provides management-level support with
25 Certified Public Accountants (CPAs) assigned to the City and are uniquely qualified to
26 advise regarding best practices from their years of combined experience working in
27 similar capacities with various jurisdictions and agencies, in addition to their professional
28 experience as auditors of governmental agencies. Areas of expertise provided by

1 Vasquez also include guidance with audit requirements and compliance with federal
2 award requirements; and

3 WHEREAS, these services are necessary to ensure accurate and timely
4 completion of necessary Citywide deliverables, including the indirect cost plan for FY 22;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Vasquez & Company LLP is the only corporation, firm or
7 individual that can ensure the continuation of critical expert accounting services without
8 interruptions, and as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising for bids
9 and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of
10 public funds;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
12 follows:

13 Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter a contract
14 with Vasquez & Company LLP without advertising for bids to provide as-needed
15 accounting services in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars
16 (\$210,000) for the period ending November 30, 2021.

17 Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
18 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of May 4, 2021 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Zendejas, Price, Supernaw, Mungo,
Saro, Uranga, Austin, Richardson.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: Allen.

Recusal(s): Councilmembers: None.


City Clerk