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May 18, 2004

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

SUBJECT: Agreement with CWA AIA, Inc., for Architectural and Engineering Services for the MacArthur Park Branch Library (District 4)

DISCUSSION

The City of Long Beach has been awarded a grant by the State Library under the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000 to help fund the design and construction of a new 16,155-square foot Branch Library for the MacArthur Park neighborhood. As part of this grant process, the Long Beach Public Library conducted a comprehensive Community Library Needs Assessment to determine the library service needs of local residents. These needs were developed into a Library Plan of Service that formed the basis of the building program. The Conceptual Design prepared for the grant application has been reviewed and approved by the local community, the City and the State of California Office of Library Construction (OLC).

In order to go forward with the design and construction process, an architect is needed to take the approved conceptual plans and develop them further into the schematic design plans and, ultimately, the construction documents. Furthermore, the work shall integrate building materials and methods that promote environmental quality, economic vitality, and social benefit through the construction and operation of the built environment in accordance with the U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Standard.

The Department of Public Works and Department of Library Services have selected CWA AIA, Inc., (CWA) as the architect of choice for the MacArthur Park Branch Library. CWA's approach to this project centers around the firm's longstanding expertise in designing and programming over fifty libraries in California.

CWA was selected through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process in accordance with Administration Regulation 8-4, "Selecting Professional Consultants." The contract negotiation process conducted by staff has resulted in a comprehensive scope of work at a fee not to exceed \$630,000.

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Donna Gwin on April 20, 2004 and Budget Manager Michael Killebrew on May 5, 2004.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is requested on May 18, 2004 in order to commence design development and construction documents to meet mandated funding schedules with the State of California Office of Library Construction. The ultimate goal is to complete the Branch Library by the first quarter of 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT

The agreement with CWA AIA, Inc., provides for architectural and engineering services for a total amount not to exceed \$630,000. The project is budgeted in Capital Improvement Project No. PW4300 in the Department of Public Works (PW) in the Capital Projects fund (CP). Sixty-five percent of the funding is the Public Library Construction State Grant and thirty-five percent is a match from the Civic Center-Capital and General Capital Project subfunds.

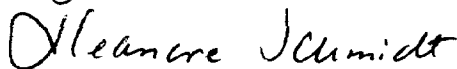
IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a three-year agreement with CWA AIA, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$630,000 for architectural and engineering services for the MacArthur Park Branch Library.

Respectfully submitted,

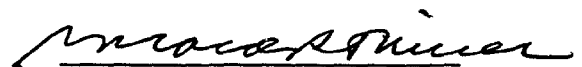


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