

ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Honorable Board of Supervisors Administration Building 1221 Oak Street, Suite 536 Oakland, California 94612

Dear Board Members:

SUBJECT: APPROVE PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS WITH TWO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING FIRMS FOR LEAD

EVALUATION SERVICES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve procurement contracts with the following two environmental consulting firms to perform lead evaluation services in residential properties located in Alameda County for the period of 8/3/2021 through 9/30/2024.

- A. Procurement Contract No. 22385, Oaks Environmental Testing, Inc. (Principal: Maribel Robles, Owner; Location: Oakland) in the amount of \$180,000; and
- B. Procurement Contract No. 22387, ACC Environmental Consultants, Inc. (Principal: Mark Sanchez, President/CEO; Location: Oakland) in the amount of \$45,000.

DISCUSSION/SUMMARY:

On November 19, 2019, your Board authorized a 42-month grant award in the amount of \$3.6 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to carry out a Lead Hazard Control Program to address residential lead hazards in Alameda County. As part of the HUD requirements, lead evaluations and clearance testing of pre-1978 housing for low-income families must be performed before and after lead hazard control work by State-certified assessors.

Under current and projected lead hazard control and housing rehabilitation programs, approximately 240 initial lead evaluations and 270 clearance evaluations involving assessment of lead in paint, dust, and soil will be required for the contract period.

SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS:

In February 25, 2021, Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 902021EVALUATIONS was developed and issued with consultation and guidance from the General Services Agency (GSA). The RFP was based on Alameda County and HUD requirements, current standards of practice, and experience.

The RFP was posted on the County website, distributed to 3,493 GSA, Goods and Services, Current Contract Opportunities subscribers, and e-mailed to an estimated 350 firms that had

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previously expressed an interest in providing services. The Community Development Agency's (CDA) Healthy Homes Department conducted two bidder's conferences on May 9, 2021 and May 12, 2021. Three bidders responded to the RFP

Proposer	Location	Bid Price	Score	Rank
Oaks Environmental Testing	Oakland, CA	\$177,250	468.3	1
EFI Global, Inc.	Oakland, CA	\$424,610	303.0	2
ACC Environmental Consultants, Inc.	Oakland, CA	\$539,500	302.7	3

At this time, CDA recommends entering into three-year contracts with Oaks Environmental Testing, Inc., and ACC Environmental Consultants, Inc., in order to complete the deliverables in the current Lead Hazard Control grant and in anticipation of future HUD Lead Hazard Control Grants. Contracting with these environmental services consultants allows flexibility and back-up in operations. Contract amounts are based on the projected range of services to be provided, the most cost-effective pricing of different types of services, and the need to ensure adequate capacity throughout the contract period.

The Auditor Controller's Office of Contract Compliance has reviewed and issued Federal Grant Waivers #F1846 A, and F1846 C for Oaks Environmental Testing, Inc., and ACC Environmental Consultants, Inc. respectively.

The CDA is currently in contract negotiations with EFI Global Inc. and expects to return to your Board for the contract agreement with EFI Global, Inc.

FINANCING:

Funding for these contracts is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Funds in the amount of \$121,500 are included in CDA's FY 2021-2022 Approved Budget; the remaining funds (\$103,500) will be allocated in subsequent fiscal year budgets. There will be no Net County Cost as a result of this action.

VISION 2026:

Lead hazard control preserves housing stock and the health and safety of the occupants. This protects children and others in our community from lead poisoning and meets the 10X Goal pathway of **Healthcare** for All in support of our shared vision of **Safe and Livable Communities** and a **Healthy Environment.**

Very truly yours,

Docusigned by:

ChrisoBazzar; Director

Community Development Agency

cc: Susan S. Muranishi, County Administrator
Donna R. Ziegler, County Counsel
Melissa Wilk, Auditor-Controller
Amy Costa, County Administrator's Office
Andrew J. Massey, Office of the County Counsel
Sandra Rivera, Community Development Agency

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE ORDER

The following action was taken by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors on 08/03/2021 Approved as Recommended \square Other \square Miley: Valle: X Carson: -4 Unanimous Chan: | Haubert: | | Vote Kev: N=No; A=Abstain; X=Excused Documents accompanying this matter: C-22385, C-22387 Contract: **Documents to be signed by Agency/Purchasing Agent: File No.** 30679 Item No. 46 Copies sent to: Larry Brooks, QIC 22701 A.J. Dizon, QIC 50703 Auditor-Controller, QIC 20111 **Special Notes:** I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Minute Order adopted by the Board of Supervisors, Alameda County, State of California. ATTEST: Clerk of the Board **Board of Supervisors** By: Thubely La Sand