

DATE: November 9, 2021

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Community Development

TITLE: Agreement with Rincon Consultants

for Environmental Review Services for a Project at 1265 Montecito

Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute a professional services contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$161,718 to provide environmental review services for a Notice of Funding Allocation affordable housing project at 1265 Montecito Avenue.

BACKGROUND

On June 22, 2021, the City Council approved the appropriation of \$1,300,000 in Housing Impact funds for predevelopment costs for a new affordable housing development at 1265 Montecito Avenue, including \$1,000,000 for Charities Housing and \$300,000 for City staff time, environmental review consultant services, and other special studies (see Attachment 1—June 22, 2021 City Council Report and Meeting Minutes).

ANALYSIS

Staff seeks Council approval to execute a contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc., for the required environmental review for the proposed affordable housing project (Attachment 2, Rincon Consultants, Inc.—Scope of Work and Contract). The proposed budget request is to use \$161,718 of the previously approved \$300,000 for preparation of required California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents and technical studies to support the environmental analysis and documentation.

FISCAL IMPACT

The contract funding amount of \$161,718 will be funded from the \$300,000 Housing Impact funds allocated by Council on June 22, 2021.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Do not authorize the execution of the contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc.
- 2. Provide other direction.

<u>PUBLIC NOTICING</u> – Agenda posting.

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Attachments: 1. June 22, 2021 City Council Report and Meeting Minutes

2. Rincon Consultants, Inc.—Scope of Work and Contract