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REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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Consent
June 21, 2007

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Agreement: Jonathan Goetz Engineering

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** authorizing the City Manager to execute a City Agreement with Jonathan Goetz for an annual amount not to exceed $160,000 for professional services on behalf of the Water Forum Successor Effort, that is staffed and managed by the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP). The agreement provides for an initial term of one year, with the option to extend for additional one year terms, up to a total agreement term of five years (including the initial term and all extensions).

Contact: Kathy Howard Administrative Analyst, (916) 808-1995, Sarah Foley Program Manager, (916) 808-1997

Presenters: Not Applicable

Department: Utilities

Division: City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP)

Organization No: 8810

Description/Analysis

Issue: The purpose of this agreement is to provide the Water Forum Successor Effort with technical expertise regarding water supply and resource management issues for the region.

Policy Considerations: This report is submitted in compliance with the policy direction provided by the Sacramento City Council and Sacramento County Board of Supervisors in forming the CCOMWP, approving its work plan, and supporting the efforts of the Water Forum (City Agreement 2001-005).
Environmental Considerations: This recommendation does not constitute a "project" and therefore is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15061 (b)(3) of the CEQA guidelines.

Commission/Committee Action: None

Rationale for Recommendation: Jonathan Goetz Engineering has a unique combination of extensive experience in water resources engineering and specific background in regional water issues. Mr. Goetz' existing working relationships with affiliated agencies creates time and budget savings in data collection, public outreach, and senior review.

Financial Considerations: This Agreement has no impact on the City's General Fund. There are sufficient resources for the proposed agreement in the CCOMWP budget. Funding for the CCOMWP budget is provided by cost sharing agreements between the City of Sacramento, County of Sacramento, City of Roseville, City of Folsom, El Dorado County Water Agency, Placer County Water Agency, Sacramento Municipal Utility District and the San Juan Water District (in Placer County).

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____
Thomas R. Gohring, Executive Director
City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning

Recommendation Approved:

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Ray Kerridge, City Manager

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Attachment 1

Background Information:

- The City and County of Sacramento created the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP) in 1991 to pursue a joint water planning effort in the greater Sacramento region. Over the past 16 years the City and the County, and other stakeholder agencies, have devoted significant resources to the Water Forum process and the Water Forum Successor Effort (WFSE). This process and the successful outcome of these efforts are well documented. A large share of the success can be attributed to the dedication of the staff of the CCOMWP and the various regional stakeholders who had the desire to arrive at an amenable solution to the region's water supply and water resource issues.

- The continuation of this dedication is necessary to maintain the successes that have been so long in obtaining. This includes maintaining a level of stewardship over the Water Forum Agreement as a policy and technical resource. Activities related to the WFSE require constant following up to tie back to the intent in the Water Forum Agreement and making sure that each is completed and acted upon by the stakeholders to a point of mutual agreement by consensus.

- Since its inception the CCOMWP employed Jim McCormack, a principal civil engineer, to take on a portion of the above responsibilities. Mr. McCormack retired in July 2006. The CCOMWP is seeking a similar position to fill the role that was served by Mr. McCormack in a contractual manner.

- The CCOMWP is seeking a contract with Jonathan Goetz to fill this consultant position as Mr. Goetz is uniquely qualified to provide technical assistance to the WFSE in the area of water supply and water resource issues. Mr. Goetz began working for the Sacramento County Water Agency in 1987 as a principal engineer. From 1993 through 1998 he served as a representative in the Water Forum process on behalf of the County. He worked closely with Water Forum staff, including Jim McCormack, authoring the technical documents that were central to the Water Forum process. Following his work with the County Mr. Goetz was employed in the private sector by a company that contracted for engineering services with the County. During this time Mr. Goetz was tasked with serving as a representative on the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Forum, a process to develop governance in the County's central groundwater basin as called for in the Water Forum Agreement. Mr. Goetz was part of the team that developed the groundwater management plan for the central groundwater basin as part of this process.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

APPROVE AGREEMENT: JONATHAN GOETZ ENGINEERING

Background Information:

A. The City and County of Sacramento created the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP) in 1991 to pursue a joint water planning effort in the greater Sacramento region. Over the past 16 years the City and the County, and other stakeholder agencies, have devoted significant resources to the Water Forum process and the Water Forum Successor Effort (WFSE).

B. The continuation of this dedication is necessary to maintain the successes that have been so long in obtaining. This includes maintaining a level of stewardship over the Water Forum Agreement as a policy and technical resource. Activities related to the WFSE require constant following up to tie back to the intent in the Water Forum Agreement and making sure that each is completed and acted upon by the stakeholders to a point of mutual agreement by consensus.

C. Since its inception the CCOMWP retained the professional services of Jim McCormack, a principal civil engineer, to provide staffing needed to fulfill the above responsibilities. Mr. McCormack retired in July 2006, necessitating the retention of a new consultant to fill this role.

D. Jonathan Goetz is uniquely qualified to fill this role and provide technical assistance to the WFSE in the area of water supply and water resource issues.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to execute an Agreement with Jonathan Goetz to provide professional services in support of the Water Forum Successor Effort, that is staffed and managed by the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning, for an amount not to exceed $160,000 a year. The agreement provides for an initial term of one year, with the option to extend for additional one year terms, up to a total agreement term of five years (including the initial term and all extensions). The City Manager, or the City Manager's authorized designee, may authorize such extension(s) for the annual not to exceed amount specified above, provided that sufficient funds are available in the budget adopted for the applicable Fiscal Year(s).