

# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

August 6, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Linda Lowry, City Manager

Submitted by: Darron Poulsen, Water Resources Director

Subject: Approval of an Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the East

San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management Group to Increase Funding for Stormwater Monitoring; Approval of an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. in the total amount of \$329,897 for Continued Implementation of the Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) in Compliance with the 2012 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit

**Discharges for Los Angeles County** 

### **OVERVIEW**

### **Recommendations -** That the City Council:

- 1. Approve an Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with East San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management Group to increase funding for Stormwater Monitoring;
- Approve an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in the total amount of \$329,897 for continued implementation of the Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) in compliance with the 2012 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit discharges for Los Angeles County; and
- 3. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement and any related documents, subject to review by the City Attorney.

**Fiscal Impact-** The fiscal impact of the amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. is \$329,897, bringing the total amount to \$836,535. The total costs will be divided amongst the participating agencies based on the Cooperative Agreement and the approved Amendments.

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As part of the Cooperative Agreement, all Member Agencies are required to pay an additional 10% of the professional consultant's contract cost to the Lead Agency, which is the City of Pomona, for coordination and administrative oversight of the consultant Agreement.

The City's portion of the cost share is estimated to be \$161,766 for FY 2018-19, and \$49,837 for FY 2019-20 (through December 31, 2019). Funding for the recommended actions are included in the Watershed Management Fund's (592-8131-52299-00000) adopted FY 2018-19 Operating Budget. Future funding for this agreement will be presented to City Council for consideration as part of the City's annual budgeting process.

**Previous Council Action -** On February 25, 2013, City Council approved participation in the Middle Santa Ana River Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Task Force.

On April 1, 2013, City Council approved the overview of the newly adopted National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit for Los Angeles County.

On June 17, 2013, City Council approved the City's participation with the cities of La Verne, San Dimas and Claremont in a Watershed based group. Additionally at that meeting, Council authorized submittal of the Notice of Intent to develop a Watershed Management and Monitoring Program with the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board.

On August 5, 2013 City Council approved the Agreement between the cities of Pomona, La Verne, San Dimas, and Claremont to develop a Watershed Management and Monitoring Plan for the East San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management area.

On August 3, 2015, City Council approved the Agreement with the East San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management Group cost sharing and implementation of the CIMP in an amount not to exceed \$1,020,384, of which the City's share is \$463,310 for a three (3) year period.

On September 18, 2017, City Council approved Amendment No. 1 to the East San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management Group to change the lead agency from the City of Claremont to the City of Pomona; Awarded Professional Services Agreement to Stantec in the amount not to exceed \$506,638; and approved the City of Pomona cost share in the amount not to exceed of \$240,361.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On September 18, 2017, City Council approved for the City of Pomona to be Lead Agency for the East San Gabriel Valley Watershed Management (ESGVWMP) Group. At the same meeting, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (Stantec) was awarded a Professional Services Agreement to implement the Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP) until December 31, 2018, with the option to extend the Agreement for an additional year.

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In order to maintain continuity with the previous work, staff recommends that City Council approve Amendment No. 2 to the ESGVWMP Group's Cooperative Agreement for cost sharing (Attachment 1); and approve Amendment No. 1 with Stantec for completion of the contract work through the end of December 31, 2019 (Attachment 2). If this amendment is approved, the scope of work will get the ESGVWMP through an additional season of monitoring.

## **DISCUSSION**

The City is mandated to meet numerous requirements under the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, including stormwater and non-stormwater quality monitoring. Partnering with surrounding communities to implement mandatory monitoring has been the most cost effective approach.

Staff is seeking Council concurrence to approve a second amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the ESGVWMP group: Claremont, La Verne, and San Dimas. The amendment includes an increase in cost sharing for the monitoring for FY 2018-19. The project management and annual reports that will be due in FY 2019-20 based on the previous monitoring season. The estimated cost increase for the ESGVWMP group for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 is \$329,827. Due to the time sensitivity of upcoming wet weather monitoring, the ESGVWMP group's decision to continue with Stantec was unanimously agreed upon pending City Council approval.

As the adaptive management process is exercised and the data gained through CIMP implementation reveals the most practical course of action based on actual water quality figures, these costs could change. The next adaptive management report is due to the Regional Water Quality Control Board in July 2019. Request for changes, if needed, will be submitted to Council for approval. As the data from the monitoring efforts are received, each City will be independently responsible for implementing Best Management Practices and/or developing projects to address the water pollution concerns within their individual jurisdictions that have been revealed by the cooperative data collection.

Attachment: 1. Amendment No 2 to ESGVWMP Agreement (w/Exhibits)

2. Amendment No. 1 to Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

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