

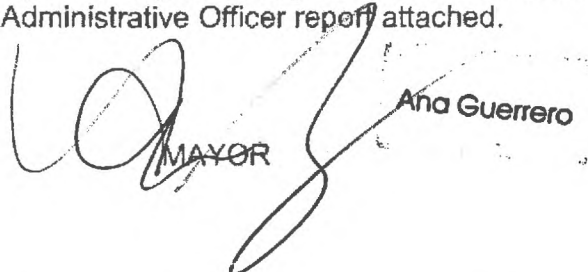
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TO Deborah Flint, Executive Director Department of Airports	DATE OCT 09 2015	COUNCIL FILE NO.
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Proposed Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-4763 with URS Corporation for Continued Professional Engineering Services for Airfield Improvements at Los Angeles International Airport

Transmitted for further processing, including Council consideration. See the City Administrative Officer report attached.


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REPORT FROM

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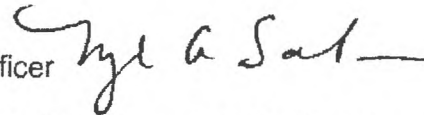
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To: The Mayor

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer



Reference: Transmittal from the Department of Airports dated August 6, 2015; referred by the Mayor for report on August 6, 2015

Subject: **PROPOSED SECOND AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT DA-4763 WITH URS CORPORATION FOR CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS AT LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

SUMMARY

A Runway Safety Areas (RSA) is a 500 foot by 1000 foot defined surface surrounding a runway prepared or suitable for reducing the risk of damage to airplanes in situations where the aircraft undershoots, overruns or otherwise veers off a runway. Congress has mandated that all runways at Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 139 certified airports, such as Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), meet Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) RSA design requirements.

URS Corporation (URS) currently provides professional engineering design services for various RSA projects at LAX and LA/Ontario International Airports. The design services contract between the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and URS (Contract No. DA-4763) was awarded in October 2012 and expires in November 2015.

Contract No. DA-4763 was amended in June 2014 to increase the initial contract value from \$5,000,000 to \$8,500,000 to support the use of URS for the design of the Runway 6R-24L RSA and Rehabilitation project at LAX.

Following consultation with the FAA regarding the RSA Program, the Department has determined that the program must now be revised and lengthened to mitigate operational impacts on airport users and eliminate the simultaneous closure of multiple runways during RSA construction/runway rehabilitation.

To enable the continued utilization of URS, which is the Engineer of Record on these continuing RSA projects, the Executive Director of LAWA requests authority to execute a Second Amendment extending LAWA's URS Contract No. DA-4763 by 30 months to May 6, 2018, while increasing the contract expenditure limit by \$2,000,000 from \$8,500,000 to \$10,500,000. A copy of the proposed amendment is attached.

The design and construction administration costs involved in the RSA's and Runway Rehabilitation projects will be recovered through user rates and charges.

City Council approval of the proposed amendment is required in accordance with Charter Section 373 because the cumulative term of the Agreement exceeds three years. Additionally, to become effective, the City Attorney must approve the Agreement as to form. The above-referenced aspects of the proposed amendment, and this report, include revised information received from the Department subsequent to the initial request submittal.

Background and Reason for Second Amendment

On October 15, 2012, the Board of Airport Commissioners awarded Contract No. DA-4763 to URS for professional engineering design services for various capital improvements at LAWA at a not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000,000. In October 2013, the Department utilized the contract for additional design projects including a new Flyaway bus stop in Van Nuys and for the design of the Runway 6L-24R RSA and Rehabilitation project at LAX.

In June 2014, the agreement was amended to increase the contract value from \$5,000,000 to \$8,500,000 allowing the contract to be utilized for the design of Runway 6R-24L RSA and Rehabilitation project also at LAX. The originally contracted projects and the additional work authorized under the First Amendment resulted in total appropriations of \$7,900,000 of the authorized \$8,500,000 contract limit.

In May 2014, after consultation with the FAA, it was determined that the implementation schedule for the RSA Program had to be revised to mitigate operational impacts and eliminate the potential for dual runway closures during construction extending the RSA Program schedule until November 2017. In order to continue using URS for RSA design and construction administration tasks, the Department requests a 30-month extension in the term of Contract No. DA-4763 to May 6, 2018, and a \$2,000,000 increase in the contract's expenditure limit. Neither the time extension nor the increase in the contract expenditure limit are the result of any contract change orders. The urgency of completing the FAA-mandated RSA program required award of initial design contracts before the scope and schedule of the RSA could be fully defined by LAWA.

The additional work to be performed by URS as part of the RSA and Rehabilitation Program under the proposed Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-4743 is as follows:

- **Runway 6L-24R RSA and Rehabilitation** - Professional design and construction administration services and provision of as-built drawings and other required reports after completion of construction (March 2105 - December 2015)
- **Runway 6R-24L RSA** - Professional design and construction administration services and design support administrative services throughout construction, including as-built drawings and other required reports after completion of the project (August 2015 - December 2016)
- **Runway 7L-24R RSA and Rehabilitation** - Professional design and construction administration services during bidding and construction, as well as providing as-built drawings and other required reports after completion of construction (December 2015 - November 2017)

The involvement by URS as Engineer of Record on each project and the fact that LAWA is satisfied with the firm's performance warrants the time extension and the increase in the contract limit proposed by the Department.

The Runway 6L-24R RSA and Rehabilitation, Runway 6R-24L RSA and the Runway 7L-25R RSA and Rehabilitation are approved LAWA capital projects. Design costs will be recovered from airport users through LAX's rates and charges.

The proposed amendment was approved by the Board of Airport Commissioners at its meeting held on October 1, 2105.

Alternatives to the Proposed Amendment

The Department indicates that issuing a new Request for Proposals was considered but would delay the completion of the federally-mandated RSA program at LAX. The Department also considered not extending the contract term or increasing the appropriation level. The Department reports that such actions would similarly delay completion of the RSA program and impact airfield operations until RSA compliance is achieved and could jeopardize FAA Airport Improvement Program grant funding. For these reasons, LAWA recommends against the available alternatives.

Compliance with City Administrative Requirements

The Department's Procurement Services Division has reviewed the proposed amendment and established a 20 percent combined Minority/Women Business Enterprise level of participation for these engineering services. The URS Corporation, in turn, proposed a 20 percent level of participation and has achieved 20.06 percent to date.

With respect to Charter Section 1022, the Department has determined that the work specified under the proposed contract amendment can be more feasibly or economically performed by an independent contractor than by City employees.

The Department will ensure URS's compliance with the City's Standard Provisions applicable to contracts including: Living Wage Ordinance, Affirmative Action Program, Child Support Obligations Ordinance, City insurance requirements, Contractor Responsibility Program, First Source Hiring Program for all non-trade LAX Airport jobs, a determination by the Department of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance, of the firm's compliance with provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance, and submission of the Bidder Contributions City Ethics Commission (CEC) Form 55 prior to the execution of the proposed Amendment.

City Council approval of the proposed Amendment is required in accordance with Charter Section 373, "Long Term Contracts Approved by Council," and the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.5, "Limitation and Power to Make Contracts" because the cumulative term of the agreement exceeds three years. Additionally, to become effective, the City Attorney must approve the Amendment as to form.

California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines

In terms of CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) compliance, LAWA indicates that as an activity (approval of bids, execution of contracts, or allocation of funds, etc.) for which the underlying project has previously been evaluated for environmental significance, the approval of the proposed amendment is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Article II, Section 2.i of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Mayor:

1. Approve, the proposed Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-4763 between the Los Angeles World Airports and URS Corporation to extend the term by 30 months to May 6, 2018 and increase the contract authority from \$8,500,000 to \$10,500,000, to provide continued professional engineering services for airfield improvements at Los Angeles International Airport, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and compliance with the City's Standard Provisions for Contracts including: Small Business Enterprise participation, Living Wage Ordinance, Affirmative Action Program, Child Support Obligations Ordinance, City insurance requirements, Contractor Responsibility Program, First Source Hiring Program for all non-trade LAX jobs, a determination by the Department of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance, of the firm's compliance with provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance, and submission of the Bidder Contributions CEC Form 55 prior to execution of the Agreement;
2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute the proposed Second Amendment; and
3. Return the proposed Second Amendment to the Department for further processing, including Council consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The Runway 6L-24R Runway Safety Area and Rehabilitation, Runway 6R-24L Runway Safety Area, and Runway 7L-25R Runway Safety Area and Rehabilitation are approved capital projects. Design costs will be recovered from airfield users through Los Angeles International Airport's rates and charges. Approval of the proposed Amendment will have no impact on the City's General Fund.

Time Limit for Council Action

Pursuant to Charter Section 373, "Long Term Contracts Approved by Council," and the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.5, "Limitation and Power to Make Contracts," unless the Council takes action disapproving a contract that is longer than three years within 60 days after submission to Council, the contract shall be deemed approved.

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Attachment