

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING CONSULTANT CONTRACT WITH HARRIS & ASSOCIATES, INC., A CORPORATION, FOR ON CALL ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW SERVICES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

WHEREAS, competitive bidding requirements for the purchase of supplies, equipment and non-personal contractual services and the sale of personal property are set forth in Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, subdivision (a) of § 3-5.210 provides exemption if an emergency requires that an order be placed with the nearest available source of service; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Utilities Department's Engineering Division has position vacancies and need staff augmentation support; and

WHEREAS, City staff requested a proposal from Harris & Associates, Inc., a corporation, for On-Call Engineering and Development Review Services; and

WHEREAS, Harris & Associates, Inc., a corporation, submitted a proposal for review by Public Works & Utilities Administrative Staff, and the proposal for On-Call Engineering and Development Review Services is accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. This action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), in that adopting a Resolution approving a consultant contract for On-Call Engineering and Development Review Services does not meet CEQA's definition of a "project," because the action does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in

the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and because the action constitutes organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment and if a "project," is exempt under the "common sense" exception (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment.

2. This consultant contract is exempt from the purchasing procedures of Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Municipal Code as a sole source consultant contract under subdivision (a) of § 3-5.210 of the Municipal Code.

3. That the Council hereby approves the consultant contract between the City of Watsonville and Harris & Associates, Inc., a corporation, for On-Call Engineering and Development Review Services, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

4. That the Interim City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute said consultant contract for and on behalf of the City of Watsonville, in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, with minor revisions that may be approved by the Interim City Manager and the City Attorney.
