

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE AWARDDING CONTRACT TO CHEMTRADE CHEMICALS US LLC, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, FOR PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF ALUMINUM SULFATE USED IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROCESSES, IN AN AMOUNT \$410,000 FOR FY 2025-2026; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME

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

WHEREAS, subdivision (f) § 3-5.210 exempts purchases when the supplies are available from a vendor who has been selected as the lowest bidder within the prior twelve (12) months by another public entity using competitive bidding procedures substantially the same as the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Watsonville is a member of the Bay Area Chemical Consortium (BACC); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the consortium is to obtain the best possible price for chemicals through joint purchasing; and

WHEREAS, Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC, was determined to be the lowest responsive bid by the BACC for the supply and delivery of Aluminum Sulfate; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended that the proposal from Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$410,000, be accepted as the best response.

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 awarding contract to Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC, for the Purchase and Delivery of Aluminum Sulfate 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 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 purchase is exempt from the purchasing procedures of Chapter 5 of Title 3 of the Watsonville Municipal code as a purchase available from a vendor who has been selected as the lowest bidder by another public entity using competitive bidding procedures substantially the same as the City for the acquisition of such supplies within the prior twelve months under subdivision (f) § 3-5.10 of the Municipal Code.

3. That the purchase of Aluminum Sulfate from Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC, a limited liability company, in an amount not to exceed \$410,000 for FY 2025-2026, is hereby authorized.

4. That the Contract for Consultant Services between the City of Watsonville and Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, is hereby approved.

5. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract for and on behalf of the City of Watsonville with minor revisions that may be approved by the City Manager and the City Attorney.
