



**PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MEETING
AGENDA ITEM
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, September 10, 2025**

SUBJECT

Professional Engineering Services Contract for Emergency Backup Power Generators and Diesel Fuel Storage and Dispensing Systems CMAR Project – Part 2

BACKGROUND

On May 10, 2023, the Public Service Board approved a professional engineering service contract with Arcadis U.S., Inc. (Arcadis) for on-call construction management services for various water, wastewater, reclaimed water, and stormwater projects. Under this contract, Arcadis was issued task orders to serve as the owner's representative for the Emergency Backup Power Generators and Diesel Fuel Storage and Dispensing Systems CMAR Project. The project is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2027.

Additional services from Arcadis are needed to continue fulfilling the role of owner's representative; however, the existing contract lacks sufficient capacity. Staff recommends executing a new engineering services contract with Arcadis to ensure continued support for this critical project.

PRIOR PSB ACTION:

- On May 10, 2023, the Public Service Board approved On-Call Construction Management Services for Various Water, Wastewater, Reclaimed Water and Stormwater Construction Projects – RFQ 14-23.

UTILITY KPI ALIGNMENT

Infrastructure Performance

EVALUATION PROCESS

Arcadis was selected through the RFQ process in 2023 for the On-Call Construction Management Services contract covering various water, wastewater, reclaimed water, and stormwater projects. Staff recommends continuing to engage Arcadis as the highest qualified firm in accordance with Chapter 2254 of the Texas Government Code. This approach allows EPWater to build upon the work already completed by Arcadis and ensures continuity during the construction phase of the Emergency Backup Power Generators and Diesel Fuel Storage and Dispensing Systems CMAR Project.

Staff collaborated with Arcadis to develop the required scope of services for this contract. A fee proposal was submitted, reviewed, and negotiated based on the defined scope. The negotiated fees are appropriate for the level of effort required and are consistent with pricing for similar recent projects.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Sufficient funds are available in various accounts. This expenditure is part of the FY 2025-26 budget.

PROPOSED ACTION REQUESTED

Consider and approve a professional engineering services contract for the Emergency Backup Power Generators and Diesel Fuel Storage and Dispensing Systems CMAR Project – Part 2 with Arcadis U.S., Inc., for additional owner's representative services for \$592,950.48 and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for additional services for \$200,000.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED

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