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## PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MEETING

### AGENDA ITEM

### REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

#### SUBJECT

Engineering Selection for On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Wastewater Treatment Plants – RFQ 44-25

#### BACKGROUND

Wastewater treatment plants are essential for the safe and efficient processing of wastewater across the service area. EPWater requires reliable engineering services to support design, upgrades, and maintenance at these facilities. Engineering services under these contracts may include process and mechanical equipment design, structural repairs, electrical and instrumentation upgrades, architectural improvements, odor control, site civil improvements, hydraulic modeling, construction management, permitting, water quality analysis, and plant operational assistance.

These engineering on-call contracts will provide the flexibility to issue task orders as needed in support of capital improvement projects and operational needs throughout the utility. Work assignments will be distributed based on expertise, workload, and project requirements.

#### PRIOR PSB ACTION

- On September 14, 2022, the Public Service Board approved RFQ 76-22 On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Wastewater Treatment Plants for a term of three years.

#### UTILITY KPI ALIGNMENT

Infrastructure Performance

#### EVALUATION PROCESS

EPWater received 16 Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) in response to Request for Qualifications RFQ44-25. The shortlisting committee evaluated the proposals and shortlisted to 10 firms.

On September 25, 2025, the Architectural/Engineering (AE) Selection Advisory Committee convened to review the submittals. The committee members who scored the SOQs consisted of Bryan Morris, Charlie Intebi, Gilbert Trejo, Irazema Rojas, Gisela Dagnino, Martin Noriega, Felipe Lopez, and Jeff Tepsick. Each SOQ was evaluated based on minimum qualifications, firm profile, proposed project team and experience, and past project performance.

Following a comprehensive review, the committee selected the following seven firms based on their qualifications, capacity, and demonstrated experience. The recommendation is to award a contract to each of the following highest qualified firms: Arcadis Inc., Brown and Caldwell, Carollo Engineers, Inc., CDM Smith, Inc., Hazen and Sawyer, P.C., HDR Engineering, Inc., and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Sufficient funds are available in various accounts. This expenditure is part of the FY2025-26 budget.

#### PROPOSED ACTION REQUESTED

Consider and award a professional engineering services contract for the On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Wastewater Treatment Plants – RFQ 44-25 to Arcadis Inc., Brown and Caldwell, Carollo Engineers, Inc., CDM Smith, Inc., Hazen and Sawyer, P.C., HDR Engineering, Inc., and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 per firm, with a contract term of three years each.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED

- A/E Selection Committee Ranking

RFQ44-2500 ON-CALL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

Thursday, September 25, 2025  
AE SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKING

RANKING 1-10 1=Most Qualified ; 10= Least Qualified

	AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	Arcadis Inc.	Brown and Caldwell, Inc.	Carollo Engineers, Inc.	CDM Smith, Inc.	Garver, LLC.	H2O Terra, LLC.	Hazen and Sawyer, P.C.	HDR Engineer ing, Inc.	Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.
AE Selection Committee 1	5	4	1	3	5	9	10	5	8	2
AE Selection Committee 2	9	6	1	2	4	8	10	7	3	5
AE Selection Committee 3	10	8	3	5	2	7	1	6	9	4
AE Selection Committee 4	10	4	9	1	4	8	4	4	1	1
AE Selection Committee 5	10	4	4	7	4	1	9	3	7	1
AE Selection Committee 6	9	7	3	1	4	5	5	1	9	7
AE Selection Committee 7	1	1	6	8	7	9	10	4	3	5
Sum of Ranking	54	34	27	27	30	47	49	30	40	25
Final Ranking	10	6	2	2	4	8	9	4	7	1



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