



**PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MEETING
AGENDA ITEM
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, October 14, 2026**

SUBJECT

On-Call Stormwater Engineering Services – RFQ SW20-26

BACKGROUND

The municipal drainage utility system is comprised of dams, ponds, pump stations, conveyance systems, and undeveloped land that function together to address our municipal drainage system needs. Throughout the year, along with the Stormwater Master Plan, projects are identified that require engineering services for study, design, or construction administration. In addition, during the monsoon season, several new projects become apparent and are prioritized. EPWater will utilize these on-call firms to provide the professional engineering services needed to complete these projects.

PRIOR PSB ACTION

- On April 10, 2024, the Public Service Board awarded seven professional engineering services contracts for On-Call Stormwater Engineering Services - RFQ SW78-23.

UTILITY KPI ALIGNMENT

Infrastructure Performance

EVALUATION PROCESS

EPWater received twenty-five Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) in response to RFQ SW20-26. The twenty-five SOQs were reviewed by the Shortlist Committee, and a total of ten SOQs were shortlisted. The Architectural/Engineering (A/E) Selection Committee reviewed the ten shortlisted firms and met to evaluate. Responses were evaluated in the areas of minimum qualifications, firm profile, proposed project team and team member experience, and past project experience. The A/E Selection Committee consisted of Charlie Intebi, Hector Ocaranza, Gilbert Trejo, Felipe Lopez, Gisela Dagnino, Martin Noriega, and Irazema Rojas.

The A/E Selection Committee recommends the selection of the following firms for Public Service Board consideration: Freese and Nichols, Inc., AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Huitt Zollars, Inc., Moreno Cardenas, Inc., Garver & Co. LLC, Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. and CEA Engineering Group, Inc., as the highest qualified firms that best meet the needs of the Utility for these important services and demonstrated excellent abilities in all evaluated categories.

Staff requests approval of professional engineering services contracts for a maximum amount of \$1,500,000 for each firm for a term of three years.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This expenditure is part of the approved budget.

PROPOSED ACTION REQUESTED

Consider and award professional engineering services contracts for On-Call Stormwater Engineering Services - RFQ SW20-26 to Freese and Nichols, Inc., AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Huitt Zollars, Inc., Moreno Cardenas, Inc., Garver & Co. LLC, Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. and CEA Engineering Group, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for each firm for a term of three years.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED

- A/E Selection Committee Ranking

RFQ SW20-26 ON-CALL STORMWATER ENGINEERING SERVICES

Wednesday, September 9, 2026
AE SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKING

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

	Aecom Technical Services, Inc.	CEA Engineering Group, Inc.	Consort North America, Inc.	Freese and Nichols, Inc.	Garver & Co. LLC	H2O Terra, LLC	HDR Engineering, Inc.	Huitt Zollars, Inc.	Moreno Cardenas, Inc.	Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc.
AE Selection Committee 1	4	6	10	1	6	9	8	1	1	5
AE Selection Committee 2	1	1	7	1	7	4	7	4	4	7
AE Selection Committee 3	9	8	3	6	1	3	10	5	6	2
AE Selection Committee 4	2	3	3	1	8	8	7	3	6	8
AE Selection Committee 5	3	10	8	1	5	9	2	4	6	7
AE Selection Committee 6	2	9	9	1	7	6	8	4	3	5
AE Selection Committee 7	3	5	4	2	1	10	8	6	8	6
Sum of Ranking	<u>24</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>40</u>
Final Ranking	2	7	8	1	5	9	10	3	4	6

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Claudia Lara, Contracts Development Coordinator

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Robert Davidson, Contract Construction Administrator