



City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

February 19, 2013
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TIME EXTENSION WITH TCM GROUP, INC., TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. 919: WILMINGTON AVENUE INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION AT THE I-405 FREEWAY

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Approved by David C. Biggs
City Manager

THIS IS A JOINT AGENDA ITEM

I. SUMMARY

On February 17, 2009, the Carson Redevelopment Agency/City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with TCM Group, Inc., to provide Construction Management Services for Project No. 919: Wilmington Avenue Interchange Modification at the I-405 freeway (Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2).

Due to the extended time needed to acquire the right of way and Caltrans authorization to advertise the project for construction bids, which delayed the commencement of the TCM Group, Inc., work schedule, staff requests Agency/Council approval for an extension of agreement with TCM Group, Inc., to December 31, 2015, with no additional cost.

Additionally, the City was informed by TCM Group, Inc., of its firm's name modification to TCM Group, Inc., a Hill International Company (Exhibit No. 3).

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE a Professional Services Agreement Time Extension with TCM Group, Inc., to provide Construction Management Services for Project No. 919: Wilmington Avenue Interchange Modification at the I-405 freeway; until December 31, 2015.
2. ACCEPT the name modification from TCM Group, Inc., to TCM Group, Inc., a Hill International Company.
3. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the revised Professional Services Agreement, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

III. ALTERNATIVES

1. DO NOT APPROVE the Professional Services Agreement time extension.
2. TAKE another action the Agency Board deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

The Wilmington Avenue / 223rd Street / I-405 Freeway Interchange Modification project is listed in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY 2005/06. Wilmington Avenue essentially runs north/south and the I-405 freeway runs on a due east/west alignment at this location. Wilmington Avenue is an undercrossing and generally provides two lanes in each direction in the project vicinity. The southerly quadrant of the interchange is a standard diamond configuration. The northerly quadrant has a loop on-ramp and an off-ramp, both located in the northeast quadrant. A railroad track crosses 223rd Street and Wilmington Avenue south of the interchange, runs parallel to the I-405 freeway, and limits the opportunities for modifications in the south quadrants.

On February 17, 2009, the Carson Redevelopment Agency/City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with TCM Group, Inc. to provide Construction Management Services for Project No. 919: Wilmington Avenue Interchange Modification at the I-405 freeway; for a negotiated fee not-to-exceed \$2,994,788.00.

The TCM Group, Inc., is a California Corporation with offices in Los Angeles, Fontana, Loma Linda, Rancho Santa Margarita and San Diego. TCM Group, Inc., is dedicated to the enhancement of transportation mobility in California, construction management services, as well as inspection and support services on highways, roadways, freeways, interchanges, and bridges.

The TCM Group, Inc., team consists of program managers, construction managers, resident engineers, inspectors, office engineers, and construction administrators experienced with capital improvement projects.

In order to maximize the quality of service, TCM Group, Inc., has teamed up with several subconsultants; including Caltrop Corporation, which will provide inspection services support; Kleinfelder which will provide material testing services; KEC Engineers, Inc., which will provide utility coordination services; and two local Carson engineering firms; P.A. Arca Engineering, Inc., and Uniplan Engineering, Inc., which will provide surveying and electrical inspection services for this project.

Subsequent to the award of the professional services agreement, on November 8, 2010, Hill International, a global leader in managing construction risk, acquired TCM Group, Inc. This acquisition did not affect the team comprised of management and staff that were assigned to the project.

The City's acquisition of the right of way and the issuance of the E-76 by Caltrans (Exhibit No. 4), which authorize the City to advertise the project for construction bids, delayed the commencement of the TCM Group, Inc., work schedule. Therefore, this professional services agreement must be extended to December 31, 2015, with no additional cost.

The accomplished and anticipated timeline for this project is as follows:

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| Approval of Professional Services Agreement | February 17, 2009 |
| Approval of PS&E | May 15, 2012 |
| Caltrans issuance of Construction Authorization-(E-76) | December 13, 2012 |
| Advertise Notice Inviting Bids | March 2013 |
| Award of construction contract | May 2013 |
| Completion of construction | December 2015 |

V. **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

VI. **EXHIBITS**

Exhibits listed below are included with the Carson Successor Agency Joint item.

1. Location Map. (pg. 4)
2. Minutes, February 17, 2009, Item No. 7 (pg. 5)
3. TCM Group, Inc. name modification letter (pg. 6)
4. Caltrans Authorization Summary-(E-76) (pgs. 7-8)

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Action taken by City Council

Date _____ Action _____