

EXECUTIVE DECISION DOCUMENT

GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL: Blast M. Poever	GENERAL MANAGER ACTION REQ'D:
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Award of Agreements No. 6M4659, 6M4660, 6M4661, and 6M4662 On-Call Professional Services for Finance

PURPOSE:

To obtain Board authorization for the General Manager to award Agreement No. 6M4659 to Accenture LLP, Agreement No. 6M4660 to Moss Adams LLP, Agreement No. 6M4661 to Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc., and Agreement No. 6M4662 to Slalom, LLC, to provide on-call professional services for the Finance Department. Each Agreement shall have a term of three (3) years, with two (2) one-year options to extend, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,000.

DISCUSSION:

A Request for Proposals ("RFP") was issued for on-call professional services for six (6) Central Support Service Areas ("CSSA"): Operating Budget, Human Resources, Procurement/Materials Management, Capital Budget, Performance and Audit, and Finance for award of up to four (4) agreements for each service area. In order to streamline the process, the District issued one RFP for all six CSSAs. However, a separate evaluation committee for each CSSA evaluated the Proposers for their specific CSSA. This award is for agreements for the Finance Department CSSA.

For the Finance department, the selected consultants will be working on special projects including, but not limited to, Accounts Payable and Payroll. The goal is to develop and implement process improvements and efficiencies, determine root causes of issues/problems, recommend strategies to address those issues/problems, develop new policies and procedures based on industry best practices, assess risk factors and recommend control measures at all levels of the District.

This RFP was advertised on January 31, 2019, and a subsequent Notice to Proposers was sent to fourteen (14) prospective proposers. Thirty-nine (39) prospective proposers downloaded the RFP from the District's Procurement Vendor Portal. Two Pre-Proposal Meetings were held on February 20, 2019 in the morning and afternoon, with twenty (20) prospective proposers attending. Three (3) Addenda was issued for the RFP over the course of advertisement.

On March 12, 2019, four (4) responsive proposals for the Finance Department CSSA were received from the following firms:

- 1. Accenture LLP (San Francisco, CA)
- 2. Moss Adams LLP (San Francisco, CA)
- 3. Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc. (Sacramento, CA)
- 4. Slalom, LLC (San Francisco, CA)

The four (4) proposals were reviewed and evaluated by a Source Selection Committee ("Committee") consisting of staff from the District's Finance Department, Office of Civil Rights ("OCR"), Office of the Chief Information Officer, and Contract Administration. All four (4) proposals were determined to be responsive and to have met the Technical Requirements of the RFP. In accordance with the provisions of the RFP, the selection of Consultants to provide the services is based on the best value methodology. Under this approach, the District retains the right to award to other than the lowest cost proposal, based on a determination that certain technical advantages available from a proposal will equate to added value for the District. According to the terms of the RFP the proposals were evaluated and scored based on the criteria contained in the RFP with respect to the qualifications of the firm and key personnel.

The Committee then reviewed the price proposals and determined that all four (4) proposals were within the competitive range. All proposers were short-listed and invited to an oral interview. The oral interviews were conducted on May 15, 2019.

After the oral interviews, the Committee combined the qualifications/technical scores and the oral interview scores and based on best value analysis determined that the following four (4) proposers offered acceptable overall value to the District:

- 1. Accenture LLP (San Francisco, CA)
- 2. Moss Adams LLP (San Francisco, CA)
- 3. Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc. (Sacramento, CA)
- 4. Slalom, LLC (San Francisco, CA)

Pursuant to the District's Non-Federal Small Business Program, OCR set a 5% Small Business Prime Preference for this Agreement for Small Businesses (SB) certified by the

California Department of General Services (DGS). Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc. is a certified SB, making it eligible for the 5% Small Business Prime Preference for this Agreement for evaluation purposes.

Pursuant to the District's Non-Discrimination Program for Subcontracting, the Availability Percentages for this Agreement are 8.4% for Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and 5.7% for Women Business Enterprises (WBEs). Accenture LLP, Moss Adams LLP, Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc., and Slalom, LLC will not be subcontracting any portion of the Work and therefore, the provisions of the District's Non-Discrimination Program for Subcontracting do not apply. The Office of General Counsel will approve the Agreements as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Each agreement has a not to exceed cost limit of \$1,000,000. However, no dollar amount is guaranteed to any of the Consultants.

Costs for professional services will be funded by the FY20 - FY22 operating budget of the Finance Department (Cost Center 0303310 and Account 681300). Funding for services to be rendered in FY20 - FY22 will be included in the proposed annual operating budget of the Finance Department for that year, subject to Board approval. This action is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact on unprogrammed District reserves in the current Fiscal year.

ALTERNATIVES:

The District could reject all proposals and solicit new proposals.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board adopt the following motion:

MOTION:

That the General Manager is authorized to award Agreement No. 6M4659 to Accenture LLP, Agreement No. 6M4660 to Moss Adams, LLC, Agreement No. 6M4661 to Sjoberg Evashenk Consulting, Inc., and Agreement No. 6M4662 to Slalom, LLC, to provide on-call professional services for the Finance Department, each in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, pursuant to notification to be issued by the General Manager, and subject to compliance with the District's protest procedures.