



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: Planning & Development  
Department No.: 053  
For Agenda Of: November 13, 2012  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Glenn Russell, Ph.D., Planning and Development, 568-2085  
Director(s) Michael Harris, Office of Emergency Management, 681-5526  
Contact Info: Doug Anthony, Deputy Director, Energy Division, 568-2046

**SUBJECT: Professional Services Contract with City of Goleta, Third Supervisorial District**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors: authorize the Chair to

- 1) Authorize the Chair of the Board to execute a new multi-year contract (Attachment 1) with the City of Goleta, beginning immediately upon execution of the contract by both parties, and ending on June 30, 2017, for provision of technical services to the City by the County's Planning and Development Department and Office of Emergency Management related to energy project permitting, permit compliance, and planning; and,
- 2) Determine that the new contact does not constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.

**Summary Text:**

The City of Goleta has requested the County to continue providing technical support services related to energy project permitting, permit compliance, and planning on an as-needed basis through June 30, 2017. Specific services requested would be provided by the Planning and Development Department and Office of Emergency Management, with a primary focus on monthly technical review of permit compliance, annual audits, planned and unscheduled site inspections and emergency response drills of the Venoco oil and gas facilities located within the City of Goleta.

**Background:**

The County has provided these technical services to the City since its incorporation. These services included permit processing (previously proposed South Ellwood Full-Field Development Project and

currently proposed Pier PRC 421 Recommissioning Project) and permit compliance for Venoco's existing Ellwood Onshore oil and gas processing facility and associated offsite pipelines. Total services provided under the earlier agreement totaled approximately \$215,000. This includes indirect expenditures and County overhead, as well as technical consultant costs for environmental quality assurance monitoring and safety inspections. The level of annual services has declined substantially over the 4-year term of the previous agreement, because proposed new developments have either been withdrawn (South Ellwood Full-Field Development) or encountered processing delays (PRC-421 Recommissioning). Permit compliance efforts remain focused on the Venoco facility and pipelines.

On June 26, 2012, your Board approved an extension (First Amendment) to the Energy Permitting and Planning Services Agreement between the City of Goleta and the County of Santa Barbara, extending the date of expiration from June 30, 2012 to September 30, 2012 to provide time for the County and the City to negotiate the terms of the new Agreement.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

There is no net cost to the County for execution and implementation of the attached contract. The cost of the foregoing technical services is paid by Venoco, Inc., on a monthly basis, this cost is also covered by a security deposit that Venoco has in place with the County, pursuant to Planning and Development's fee resolution. Both revenue and expenditures associated with this contract in fiscal year 2012-13 are included on page on page D-138 of the Departments Approved Budget 2012-13 under Energy Permits.

**Special Instructions:**

Clerk of the Board will obtain necessary signatures on two originals of the contract, and will return one original to Doug Anthony of the Energy Division, who will forward it to the City of Goleta for its records.

**Attachments:**

1. Agreement for Energy Permitting and Planning Services Between the City of Goleta and the County of Santa Barbara

**Authored by:**

Doug Anthony, Energy Division Deputy Director