



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Public Works  
**Department No.:** 054  
**For Agenda Of:** January 20, 2015  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Scott D. McGolpin, P.E., Director x 3010  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Mark Schleich, P.E., Deputy Director x 3605

**SUBJECT:** Tajiguas Landfill Resource Recovery Project – Contract Amendment (extend term) for Preparation of a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report First, Second and Third Supervisorial Districts

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

A. Approve, ratify and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 2 to the professional services contract (BC-13-080) with the consulting firm of Padre Associates, Inc. for preparation of the Subsequent environmental impact report for the proposed Tajiguas Landfill Resource Recovery Project to extend the contract term to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at no additional cost (Attachment 1).

B. Determine that this action is exempt from review pursuant to Section 15061(b) (3) of the State Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment (Attachment 2).

**Summary Text:**

In November 2012, the Board approved agreements with Padre Associates Inc. to prepare the Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project Subsequent EIR. The Draft Subsequent EIR was released in August 2014. Due to the complex nature and significant public interest in the project, completion of the Final EIR and consideration of the project by your Board has taken longer than originally anticipated and will go beyond the original term of Padre's contract.

To provide for adequate time for the consultant to complete the Final Subsequent EIR and be available to attend the future Board hearings, staff is recommending that the Board amend Padre's contract term from December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. There is no proposed change to the overall contract amount or scope of work.

**Background:**

On January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012, your Board received and filed a recommended resource recovery project (Tajiguas Landfill Resource Recovery Project) to process waste currently buried at the Tajiguas Landfill and directed staff to initiate review of the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project involves the construction and operation of a Materials Recovery Facility and an Anaerobic Digestion Facility at the Tajiguas Landfill to further recover recyclable material from the waste stream, convert the material not recycled into beneficial products such as energy, fuels or other potentially marketable products, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

On November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012, your Board approved contracts for preparation of the Subsequent EIR. The Subsequent EIR also incorporates a number of technical studies that have been prepared under separate contracts issued through purchase orders or through the Public Works Department's Master Services Agreement process. However, due to the higher value, the Board approved an Agreement with the consulting firm of Padre Associates to prepare/compile the Subsequent EIR. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 the Board approved amendment No. 1 to Padre's contract to increase the amount of the contract to address an expanded scope associated with their work on the EIR (Attachment 3).

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

None.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

The cost of the original contracts and amendments are being paid out of the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division Enterprise Fund through a surcharge assessed on the Tajiguas Landfill tipping fee over a 3 year period starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send certified stamped copies of the minute order to Mark Schleich, Joddi Leipner, and Colleen Hankins in the Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division of the Public Works Department

**Attachments:**

1. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor –Padre Associates
2. Notice of Exemption
3. Professional services contract BC-13-080 and Amendment No. 1

**Authored by:**

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**cc:** Project File