



Legislation Text

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Consider recommendations regarding an Agreement for consultant services with Wood Environmental and Infrastructure, Inc. (Wood), for the preparation of Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs) for the 2023-2031 Housing Element Update, as follows:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services between the County of Santa Barbara and Wood Environment and Infrastructure solutions Incorporated to provide environmental review services for the County's housing element update for the period of July 1, 2022 to January 31, 2024, with a base Agreement amount of \$507,548.00, plus a contingency fund of \$55,550.00, for a total not to exceed amount of \$563,098.00;
- b) Approve and authorize the Director of the Planning and Development Department (P&D), or designee, to:
 - i) Approve up to \$55,550.00 in contingency costs for services or reimbursements;
 - ii) Approve changes or additions in the services being performed, provided the Agreement does not exceed the base Agreement plus contingency amount of \$563,098.00; and
 - iii) Make immaterial amendments in accordance with Section 35 of the Agreement; and
- c) Determine that the proposed actions do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions consist of the organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.