



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
December 10, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager
 Submitted by: Terrance Davis, Director, Public Works
 Subject: Contract No. 32000078 Amendment: DC Electric Group, Inc for On-Call Electrical Services

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 32000078 between the City and DC Electric Group, Inc. for supplemental On-Call electrical services to support the Public Works Electrical Unit, increasing the current contract spending authority by \$250,000 for a new total not to exceed amount of \$725,000.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

This is an On-Call Contract; costs are incurred when services are performed. Initial funding is available in FY25 Fund 134 and FY25 Fund 142. Additional funding will be appropriated as part of the FY25 Second Annual Appropriations Ordinance and in future fiscal years as needed.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Public Works' Electrical Unit supports the City's electrical needs by installing, repairing and replacing electrical wiring and components in City facilities and maintains City assets which rely on electric energy to operate; assets such as Traffic Signals, Pedestrian Crossing Signals, Street Lights, Marina Pier Lights, and Park Lights. Public Works' Electrical Unit has been utilizing the on-call services of DC Electric Group to help resolve a back log of damaged Traffic Signals and Street Lights as well as to support the Unit with ongoing need for the repair of Traffic Signals and Street Lights damaged by vehicles. Increased contract spending authority is needed to be able to continue repairing damaged assets while also performing preventive maintenance on working assets to ensure community safety.

Amending the DC Electric Contract supports the City's Strategic Plan Priority of providing state-of-the art, well maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

BACKGROUND

On November 3, 2016, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals for On-Call Electrical Services to support the Public Works Facilities Electrical Unit (Specification

No. 16-11076-C.) Four proposals were submitted and two vendors were selected: DC Electric Group and Colombia Electric. On the authority of Resolution Number 68,007-N.S., the City contracted with DC Electric Group on June 1, 2017 and continues to utilize their on-call services to supplement the work of the City's Electrical Unit.

On July 26, 2022, City Council approved an amendment for a revised not to exceed amount of \$175,000 and to extend the contract through June 30, 2025.

On September 19, 2023, City Council approved an amendment for a revised not to exceed amount of \$475,000 and to extend the contract through June 30, 2026.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

There are no identified environmental or climate impacts associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

DC Electric Group continues to on-call services for the City to support the City's in-house Electrical Unit in maintaining the City's critical electrical assets and infrastructure. Without DC's services, needed maintenance and repairs would face delays.

Public Works is planning to release a solicitation for Electric Services in 2025, so this amendment gives the department time to complete the RFP process without causing delays or interruptions in service. In addition, the Electrical Unit is in the process of extending offers to hire two electricians to backfill long term vacancies.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None. Public Works Electrical Unit does not have adequate resources to keep up with the ongoing maintenance and repairs of deployed electrical assets. It also does not have the capacity to provide services to install electrical wiring and components in new or renovated City facilities. Therefore, no alternative actions were considered.

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Attachment:
1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 32000078 AMENDMENT: DC ELECTRICAL GROUP FOR ON-CALL ELECTRICAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City requires supplemental emergency and non-emergency on-call electrical services for the repair, maintenance and replacement of multiple types of electrical assets and for the maintenance and installation of electrical infrastructure in City facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City does not have sufficient resources to provide the required maintenance and repair of the City's electrical assets in a timely or cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) Specification No. 16-11076-C for on-call electrical services on November 3, 2016, four contractors responded to the RFP on December 8, 2016; two contractors met all requirements and conditions of the RFP; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed and evaluated all proposals submitted and on authority of Council Resolution No. 68,007-N.S., contracted with DC Electric Group on June 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2022, City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Contract Amendment to increase the Contract's spending authority by \$100,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$175,000 and to extend the Contract through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2023, City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Contract Amendment to increase the Contract's spending authority by \$300,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$475,000 and to extend the Contract through June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, this Contract is for on-call services only; no costs will be incurred until applicable City projects or emergency needs are identified and Contractor services are requested; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the Street Light Assessment District Fund 142 and Measure BB – Local Streets and Road Fund 134 and additional funding will be appropriated as part of the FY25 Second Annual Appropriations Ordinance and in future fiscal years as needed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an Amendment to Contract No. 32000078 with DC Electric Group for On-Call Electrical Services to increase the Contract's spending authority by \$250,000 for a new total not to exceed amount of \$725,000.

