



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
July 8, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager

Submitted by: Terrance Davis, Public Works, Director

Subject: Contract: United Storm Water, Inc. for On-Call Storm Water Maintenance

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a three-year contract and any amendments with United Storm Water Inc. to provide on-call stormwater maintenance at various City facilities and locations for a total not to exceed of \$200,000, with an option of two one-year extensions, for a maximum term of five years.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The execution of a contract for on-call storm water maintenance will not exceed \$200,000 and includes an initial term of three years with option to extend by two one-year extensions. Funding in the amount of \$75,000 is available in the FY2026 adopted budget in the Zero Waste Fund (Fund 601)..

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The City needs additional resources to ensure that required storm water maintenance work is performed by certified contractors with the appropriate expertise. Failure to perform this work will subject the City to regulatory non-compliance, and exposure to fines or other legal actions.

On February 27, 2025, Request for Proposal (RFP) #25-116703-C was released for on-call stormwater maintenance services. The solicitation was open for fifty-four days and the City received one response. As a result of the competitive proposal solicitation, United Storm Water was determined to be the most responsive and responsible bidder. Extending or reissuing the RFP was not considered as the need for services is time critical. Previous RFPs issued for this service received one or no bids. This authorization will execute a three-year contract with the option to extend by two one-year extensions.

The On-Call Storm Water Maintenance Contract is in alignment with the City's Strategic Plan Priorities, advancing our goal to provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities and be a global leader in protecting the environment.

BACKGROUND

The City Transfer Station at 1201 Second Street, collects refuse, construction and demolition debris, green waste, and other materials from the public. It is operated by the Zero Waste Division of Public Works. The Recycling Center at 669 Gilman Street process recyclables from the community. Both sites operate under the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Industrial Storm Water Permit (Permit). The City needs assistance with supporting best management practices for the sites. The storm water treatment vaults and associated piping, trench drains, and catch basins need to be serviced regularly to support compliance with the Permit.

The City's Corporation Yard and Public Safety Building also have similar trench drains and catch basins that need to be serviced regularly to remain in compliance. This is not a service that can be done in-house by Public Works, as the department does not have the appropriate materials, equipment or training.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

The Public Works Department works to comply with all State and Federal requirements to ensure minimal impact from City activities. Public Works requires the expertise and services of outside contractors to achieve this compliance.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Contracts for on-call storm water maintenance are critical to ensure that the City meets State and Federal requirements. Further, execution of this services agreement is critical for protecting the waters of the San Francisco Bay.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

No alternative actions were considered. The City initiated an RFP, exercised due diligence in evaluating the bid respondents, and satisfied the competitive procurement process. Failure to execute this contract may result in non-compliance and possible fines due to the City's inability to meet state and federal requirements for environmental compliance and sustainability.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

Exhibit A: RFP: Abstract of Bid Worksheet

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

CONTRACT: UNITED STORM WATER, INC. FOR ON-CALL STORMWATER
MAINTENANCE

WHEREAS, stormwater maintenance services are critical for regulatory compliance at various City locations; and

WHEREAS, the City does not have available staff to perform these services at these sites; and

WHEREAS, no City employees are displaced by this contract; and

WHEREAS, on February 27th released RFP #25-116703-C for on-call stormwater maintenance services. The solicitation was open for fifty-four days and received one response; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the competitive proposal solicitation that was held for providing on-call stormwater maintenance services to various city locations and facilities United Storm Water was determined to be the most responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$75,000 is available in the FY2026 adopted budget in the Zero Waste Fund (Fund 601). Funding for future years is subject to Council's approval of the proposed citywide budget for Fiscal Years 2027-2028.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with United Storm Water to provide on-call stormwater maintenance services at various city facilities and locations for a total not to exceed of \$200,000 for a three-year term with an option of two one-year extensions for a maximum term of five years.

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Finance Department
General Services Division

City of Berkeley
Abstract of Bid Worksheet

FOR: ON-CALL STORMWATER MAINTENANCE SERVICE

Spec.

DATE:

	Bidders		Local Vendor	WC	NF	OS	SC	LW	EBO
1	United Storm Water			x	x	x	x	x	x
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Bid Recorder:

Roop Soorma *RSoorma*

DATE 04/22/2025

Bid Opener:

Sherri Dognan

DATE 04/28/2025

Project Manager:

Robert Hernandez

DATE 05/01/2025

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