

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 22-462

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN 2019-2022 SNOHOMISH COUNTY ON-CALL CONSULTANT SERVICES TASK NO. 3b (OCC19-3-1(D)) WITH BERK CONSULTING, INC.

WHEREAS, Snohomish County is required to update the Snohomish County Growth Management Act (GMA) Comprehensive Plan by December 31, 2024, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan is designed to help the County meet its long-term vision for land use and growth management in unincorporated areas outside of cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan must plan for the next 20 years of forecasted population and employment growth and ensure compliance with the requirements of the GMA; and

WHEREAS, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is the detailed statement required by RCW 43.21C.030(c) of the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), and shall be prepared on proposals for legislation and other major actions having a probable significant, adverse environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County determined that the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update is likely to have a probable significant, adverse environmental impact, and an EIS is required pursuant to RCW 43.21C.031; and

WHEREAS, on December 24, 2018, Snohomish County entered into an on-call contract with Berk Consulting, Inc. (Berk) in Agreement No. OCC 19-3-1(D) ("Master Agreement") for on-call services in the Comprehensive Plan Review subcategory on an as-needed basis through Task Assignments; and

WHEREAS, Task Assignment No. 3 under the Master Agreement was approved by the Snohomish County Council (county council) through Motion 21-278, signed by the County Executive, and authorizes Berk to work as the SEPA consultant for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to Task Assignment No. 3 was approved by the county council as Task Assignment No. 3a through Motion No. 22-284 and executed on July 13, 2022, for review and analysis of final Docket XXI applications and council-initiated amendments within the Draft EIS, as well as a more robust quantitative bicycle and pedestrian analysis of the alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) requested a more robust review and analysis of a potential open space standard as mitigation measure to address forecasted growth and public comments on retaining urban open space and tree canopy; and

WHEREAS, under the proposed Task Assignment No. 3b Berk would evaluate a potential urban open space standard; and

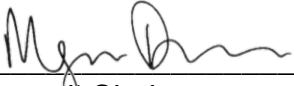
WHEREAS, the total amount authorized under Task Assignment No.3b shall not exceed \$24,921 during the remaining contract period covering 2022 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, as the work to be performed under Task Assignment No.3b is focused on deliverables for the Park and Recreation Element, funds will be available to pay for this effort from DCNR;

NOW, THEREFORE ON MOTION, Snohomish County Council authorizes the County Executive to execute the 2019-2022 On-Call Consultant Services Task Assignment No. 3b with Berk.

PASSED this 1st day of November, 2022.

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Council Chair

ATTEST:



Asst. Clerk of the Council