

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION 21-278

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN 2019-2021 ON-CALL CONSULTANT SERVICES TASK NO. 3 and SUPPLEMENT NO. 4 (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 June 30, 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 has 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, as Snohomish County lacks sufficient staff to prepare an objective and fully defensible EIS, Snohomish County seeks to hire a consultant to perform the SEPA review of the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, hiring a consultant is consistent with past Comprehensive Plan updates, and Snohomish County is authorized to hire a consultant under chapter 30.61 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC); 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, after an on-call professional services selection process, Snohomish County selected Berk from the on-call roster to be the SEPA consultant for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update EIS for the time period in the on-call contract; and

WHEREAS, the effort for Berk to work as the SEPA consultant for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update EIS will be through Task Assignment No.3 under the Master Agreement; and

WHEREAS, a Local Agency Professional Services Supplemental Agreement (Supplement No. 4) is needed (1) to update Master Agreement, Exhibit E, Sub-consultant Cost Computations – Fee Schedule, to include ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc. and Parametrix, Inc., and (2) to extend the Master Agreement completion date to December 31, 2022, with work under then existing task assignments to be completed by December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the total amount authorized under Task Assignment No.3 shall not exceed \$482,450 during the contract period covering 2021-2023, as set forth in Task Assignment No. 3; and

WHEREAS, the SEPA review for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update is a multi-departmental effort and funds for the on-call contract will come from the Department of Planning and Development Services, the Department of Public Works, and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources;

NOW, THEREFORE ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council authorizes the County Executive to execute Supplement No. 4 to the Master Agreement (OCC19/3-1(D)) and the 2019-2021 On-Call Consultant Services Task Assignment No. 3 with Berk.

PASSED this 25th day of August, 2021.

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ATTEST:



Asst. Clerk of the Council



Chairperson