

**CITY OF COSTA MESA
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH
INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC.**

THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 31st day of March, 2016 ("Effective Date"), by and between the CITY OF COSTA MESA, a municipal corporation ("City"), and INTERWEST CONSULTING GROUP, INC. California corporation C2415639 ("Consultant"). Collectively City and Consultant are sometimes referred to herein as "Parties".

WITNESSETH

A. WHEREAS, City proposes to utilize the services of Consultant as an independent contractor to provide temporary senior and executive management staff to fill City positions within the Public Works Department ("Services"), as more fully described herein; and

B. WHEREAS, Consultant represents that it has that degree of specialized expertise contemplated within California Government Code Section 37103, and holds all necessary licenses to practice and perform the services herein contemplated; and

C. WHEREAS, City and Consultant desire to contract for the specific emergency Services described in "Exhibit A" ("Consultant's Proposal") and desire to set forth their rights, duties and liabilities in connection with the Services to be performed; and

D. WHEREAS, no official or employee of City has a financial interest, within the provisions of Sections 1090-1092 of the California Government Code, in the subject matter of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1.0. SERVICES PROVIDED BY CONSULTANT

1.1. Scope of Services. Consultant shall provide the professional services described in the City's Consultant's Proposal, attached hereto as "Exhibit A," incorporated herein by this reference.

1.2. Professional Practices. All professional services to be provided by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement shall be provided by personnel experienced in their respective fields and in a manner consistent with the standards of care, diligence and skill ordinarily exercised by professional consultants in similar fields and circumstances in accordance with sound professional practices. Consultant also warrants that it is familiar with all laws that may affect its performance of this Agreement and shall advise City of any changes in any laws that may affect Consultant's performance of this Agreement.

1.3. Performance to Satisfaction of City. Consultant agrees to perform all the work to the complete satisfaction of the City and within the hereinafter specified. Evaluations of the work will be done by the City's Chief Executive Officer ("City CEO") or his or her designee. If the quality of work is not satisfactory, City in its discretion has the right to:

- (a) Meet with Consultant to review the quality of the work and resolve the matters of concern;
- (b) Require Consultant to repeat the work at no additional fee until it is satisfactory; and/or
- (c) Terminate the Agreement as hereinafter set forth.

1.4. Warranty. Consultant warrants that it shall perform the Services required by this Agreement in compliance with all applicable Federal and California employment laws, including, but not limited to, those laws related to minimum hours and wages; occupational health and safety; fair employment and employment practices; workers' compensation insurance and safety in employment; and all other Federal, State and local laws and ordinances applicable to the services required under this Agreement. Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless City from and against all claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, proceedings, and judgments of every nature and description including attorneys' fees and costs, presented, brought, or recovered against City for, or on account of any liability under any of the above-mentioned laws, which may be incurred by reason of Consultant's performance under this Agreement.

1.5. Non-Discrimination. In performing this Agreement, Consultant shall not engage in, nor permit its agents to engage in, discrimination in employment of persons because of their race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, sexual gender or sexual orientation, except as permitted pursuant to Section 12940 of the Government Code.

1.6. Non-Exclusive Agreement. Consultant acknowledges that City may enter into agreements with other consultants for services similar to the Services that are subject to this Agreement or may have its own employees perform services similar to those Services contemplated by this Agreement.

1.7. Delegation and Assignment. This is a personal service contract, and the duties set forth herein shall not be delegated or assigned to any person or entity without the prior written consent of City. Consultant may engage a subcontractor(s) as permitted by law and may employ other personnel to perform the Services contemplated by this Agreement at Consultant's sole cost and expense.

1.8. Confidentiality. Employees of Consultant in the course of their duties may have access to financial, accounting, statistical, and personnel data of private individuals and employees of City. Consultant covenants that all data, documents, discussion, or other information developed or received by Consultant or provided for performance of this Agreement are deemed confidential and shall not be disclosed by Consultant without written authorization by City. City shall grant such authorization if disclosure is required by law. All City data shall be returned to City upon the termination of this Agreement. Consultant's covenant under this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

2.0. COMPENSATION AND BILLING

2.1. Compensation. Consultant shall be paid in accordance with the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit A, Consultant's Proposal, Page 3 ("Fee Schedule"). Consultant's total compensation shall not exceed an annual amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00).

2.2. Additional Services. Consultant shall not receive compensation for any services provided outside the scope of services specified in the Consultant's Proposal unless the City or the Project Manager for this Project, prior to Consultant performing the additional services, approves such additional services in writing. It is specifically understood that oral requests and/or approvals of such additional services or additional compensation shall be barred and are unenforceable.

2.3. Method of Billing. Consultant may submit invoices to the City for approval on a progress basis, but no more often than two times a month. Said invoice shall be based on the total of all Consultant's Services which have been completed to City's sole satisfaction. City shall pay Consultant's invoice within forty-five (45) days from the date City receives said invoice. Each invoice shall describe in detail, the Services performed, the date of performance, and the associated time for completion. Any additional services approved and performed pursuant to this Agreement shall be designated as "Additional Services" and shall identify the number of the authorized change order, where applicable, on all invoices.

2.4. Records and Audits. Records of Consultant's Services relating to this Agreement shall be maintained in accordance with generally recognized accounting principles and shall be made available to City or its Project Manager for inspection and/or audit at mutually convenient times for a period of three (3) years from the Effective Date.

3.0. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

3.1. Commencement and Completion of Work. The Services to be performed pursuant to this Agreement shall commence within five (5) days from the Effective Date of this Agreement. Failure to commence work in a timely manner and/or diligently pursue work to completion may be grounds for termination of this Agreement.

3.2. Excusable Delays. Parties shall be responsible for delays or lack of performance resulting from acts beyond the reasonable control of the Party or Parties. Such acts shall include, but not be limited to, acts of God, fire, strikes, material shortages, compliance with laws or regulations, riots, acts of war, or any other conditions beyond the reasonable control of a Party.

4.0. TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1. Term. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and continue for a period of twelve months, ending on March 30, 2017 ("Initial Term"), unless previously terminated as provided herein or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties. City has the option of one (1) additional one (1) year renewal term beyond the Initial Term. The City may exercise this option by providing thirty (30) days written notice to Consultant prior to the expiration of the Initial Term.

4.2. Notice of Termination. The City reserves and has the right and privilege of canceling, suspending or abandoning the execution of all or any part of the work contemplated by this Agreement, with or without cause, at any time, by providing written notice to Consultant. The termination of this Agreement shall be deemed effective upon receipt of the notice of termination (Section 6.4). In the event of such termination, Consultant shall immediately stop rendering Services under this Agreement unless directed otherwise by the City.

4.3. Compensation. In the event of termination, City shall pay Consultant for reasonable costs incurred and Services satisfactorily performed up to and including the date of City's written notice of termination. Compensation for work in progress shall be prorated based

on the percentage of work completed as of the effective date of termination in accordance with the fees set forth herein. In ascertaining the Services actually rendered hereunder up to the effective date of termination of this Agreement, consideration shall be given to both completed work and work in progress, to complete and incomplete drawings, and to other documents pertaining to the Services contemplated herein whether delivered to the City or in the possession of the Consultant.

4.4. Documents. In the event of termination of this Agreement, all documents prepared by Consultant in its performance of this Agreement including, but not limited to, finished or unfinished design, development and construction documents, data studies, drawings, maps and reports, shall be delivered to the City within ten (10) days of delivery of termination notice to Consultant, at no cost to City. Any use of uncompleted documents without specific written authorization from Consultant shall be at City's sole risk and without liability or legal expense to Consultant.

5.0. INSURANCE

5.1. Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance. Consultant shall obtain, maintain, and keep in full force and effect during the life of this Agreement all of the following minimum scope of insurance coverages with an insurance company admitted to do business in California, rated "A," Class X, or better in the most recent Best's Key Insurance Rating Guide, and approved by City:

- (a) Commercial general liability, including premises-operations, products/completed operations, broad form property damage, blanket contractual liability, independent contractors, personal injury or bodily injury with a policy limit of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), combined single limits, per occurrence. If such insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this Agreement or shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- (b) Business automobile liability for owned vehicles, hired, and non-owned vehicles, with a policy limit of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), combined single limits, per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- (c) Workers' compensation insurance as required by the State of California. Consultant agrees to waive, and to obtain endorsements from its workers' compensation insurer waiving subrogation rights under its workers' compensation insurance policy against the City, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers arising from work performed by Consultant for the City and to require each of its subcontractors, if any, to do likewise under their workers' compensation insurance policies.
- (d) Professional errors and omissions ("E&O") liability insurance with policy limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), combined single limits, per occurrence and aggregate. Architects' and engineers' coverage shall be endorsed to include contractual liability. If the policy is written as a "claims made" policy, the retro date shall be prior to the start of the contract work. Consultant shall obtain and maintain, said E&O liability insurance during the life of this Agreement and for three years after completion of the work hereunder.

5.2. Endorsements. The commercial general liability insurance policy and business automobile liability policy shall contain or be endorsed to contain the following provisions:

- (a) Additional insureds: "The City of Costa Mesa and its elected and appointed boards, officers, officials, agents, employees, and volunteers are additional insureds with respect to: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the Consultant pursuant to its contract with the City; products and completed operations of the Consultant; premises owned, occupied or used by the Consultant; automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by the Consultant."
- (b) Notice: "Said policy shall not terminate, be suspended, or voided, nor shall it be cancelled, nor the coverage or limits reduced, until thirty (30) days after written notice is given to City."
- (c) Other insurance: "The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the City of Costa Mesa, its officers, officials, agents, employees, and volunteers. Any other insurance maintained by the City of Costa Mesa shall be excess and not contributing with the insurance provided by this policy."
- (d) Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the City of Costa Mesa, its officers, officials, agents, employees, and volunteers.
- (e) The Consultant's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.

5.3. Deductible or Self-Insured Retention. If any of such policies provide for a deductible or self-insured retention to provide such coverage, the amount of such deductible or self-insured retention shall be approved in advance by City. No policy of insurance issued as to which the City is an additional insured shall contain a provision which requires that no insured except the named insured can satisfy any such deductible or self-insured retention.

5.4. Certificates of Insurance. Consultant shall provide to City certificates of insurance showing the insurance coverages and required endorsements described above, in a form and content approved by City, prior to performing any services under this Agreement. The certificates of insurance shall be attached hereto as "Exhibit B" and incorporated herein by this reference.

5.5. Non-Limiting. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as limiting in any way, the indemnification provision contained in this Agreement, or the extent to which Consultant may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property.

6.0. GENERAL PROVISIONS

6.1. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties with respect to any matter referenced herein and supersedes any and all other prior writings and oral negotiations. This Agreement may be modified only in writing, and signed by the Parties in interest at the time of such modification. The terms of this Agreement shall prevail over any inconsistent provision in any other contract document appurtenant hereto, including exhibits to this Agreement.

6.2. Representatives. The City CEO, or his or her designee, shall be the representative of City for purposes of this Agreement and may issue all consents, approvals, directives and agreements on behalf of the City, called for by this Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement.

Consultant shall designate a representative for purposes of this Agreement who shall be authorized to issue all consents, approvals, directives and agreements on behalf of Consultant called for by this Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement.

6.3. Project Managers. City shall designate a Project Manager to work directly with Consultant in the performance of this Agreement.

Consultant shall designate a Project Manager who shall represent it and be its agent in all consultations with City during the Initial Term or any renewal terms of this Agreement. Consultant or its Project Manager shall attend and assist in all coordination meetings called by City.

con
fac
dee
deli
if su

*phone number below
is INCORRECT
(714) 899-9039*

...tices, documents, correspondence or other communications the work hereunder may be provided by personal delivery, addressed as set forth below. Such communication shall be at the time of delivery if such communication is sent by personal deposit in the U.S. Mail as reflected by the official U.S. postmark through regular United States mail.

Interwest Consulting Group
15140 Transistor Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92649
Tel: (714) 899-9030
Attn: James G. Ross
jross@interwestgrp.com

IF TO CITY:

City of Costa Mesa
77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
Tel: (714) 754-5291
Attn: Public Services Department

Courtesy Copy to:

City of Costa Mesa
77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
Attn: Finance Department | Purchasing

6.5. Drug-Free Workplace Policy. Consultant shall provide a drug-free workplace by complying with all provisions set forth in City’s Council Policy 100-5, attached hereto as “Exhibit C” and incorporated herein by reference. Consultant’s failure to conform to the requirements

set forth in Council Policy 100-5 shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall be cause for immediate termination of this Agreement by City.

6.6. Attorneys' Fees and Costs. In the event that litigation is brought by any party in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover from the opposing party all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the prevailing party in the exercise of any of its rights or remedies hereunder or the enforcement of any of the terms, conditions, or provisions hereof.

6.7. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of California without giving effect to that body of laws pertaining to conflict of laws. In the event of any legal action to enforce or interpret this Agreement, the Parties hereto agree that the sole and exclusive venue shall be a court of competent jurisdiction located in Orange County, California.

6.8. Assignment. Consultant shall not voluntarily or by operation of law assign, transfer, sublet or encumber all or any part of Consultant's interest in this Agreement without City's prior written consent. Any attempted assignment, transfer, subletting or encumbrance shall be void and shall constitute a breach of this Agreement and cause for termination of this Agreement. Regardless of City's consent, no subletting or assignment shall release Consultant of Consultant's obligation to perform all other obligations to be performed by Consultant hereunder for the term of this Agreement.

6.9. Indemnification and Hold Harmless. To the fullest extent allowed by law, Consultant agrees to defend, indemnify, hold free and harmless the City, its elected officials, officers, agents and employees, at Consultant's sole expense, from and against any and all claims, actions, suits or other legal proceedings brought against the City, its elected officials, officers, agents and employees arising out of the performance of the Consultant, its employees, and/or authorized subcontractors, of the work undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. The defense obligation provided for hereunder shall apply without any advance showing of negligence or wrongdoing by the Consultant, its employees, and/or authorized subcontractors, but shall be required whenever any claim, action, complaint, or suit asserts as its basis the negligence, errors, omissions or misconduct of the Consultant, its employees, and/or authorized subcontractors, and/or whenever any claim, action, complaint or suit asserts liability against the City, its elected officials, officers, agents and employees based upon the work performed by the Consultant, its employees, and/or authorized subcontractors under this Agreement, whether or not the Consultant, its employees, and/or authorized subcontractors are specifically named or otherwise asserted to be liable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Consultant shall not be liable for the defense or indemnification of the City for claims, actions, complaints or suits arising out of the sole active negligence or willful misconduct of the City. This provision shall supersede and replace all other indemnity provisions contained either in the City's specifications or Consultant's Proposal, which shall be of no force and effect.

6.10. Independent Contractor. Consultant is and shall be acting at all times as an independent contractor and not as an employee of City. Consultant shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of City or otherwise act on behalf of City as an agent. Neither City nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of Consultant or any of Consultant's employees, except as set forth in this Agreement. Consultant shall not, at any time, or in any manner, represent that it or any of its or employees are in any manner agents or employees of City. Consultant shall secure, at its sole expense, and be responsible for any and all payment of Income Tax, Social Security, State Disability Insurance Compensation, Unemployment Compensation, and other payroll deductions for Consultant and its officers, agents, and employees, and all business licenses, if any are required, in connection with the

services to be performed hereunder. Consultant shall indemnify and hold City harmless from any and all taxes, assessments, penalties, and interest asserted against City by reason of the independent contractor relationship created by this Agreement. Consultant further agrees to indemnify and hold City harmless from any failure of Consultant to comply with the applicable worker's compensation laws. City shall have the right to offset against the amount of any fees due to Consultant under this Agreement any amount due to City from Consultant as a result of Consultant's failure to promptly pay to City any reimbursement or indemnification arising under this paragraph.

6.11. PERS Eligibility Indemnification. In the event that Consultant or any employee, agent, or subcontractor of Consultant providing services under this Agreement claims or is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or the California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) to be eligible for enrollment in PERS as an employee of the City, Consultant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless City for the payment of any employee and/or employer contributions for PERS benefits on behalf of Consultant or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, as well as for the payment of any penalties and interest on such contributions, which would otherwise be the responsibility of City.

Notwithstanding any other agency, state or federal policy, rule, regulation, law or ordinance to the contrary, Consultant and any of its employees, agents, and subcontractors providing service under this Agreement shall not qualify for or become entitled to, and hereby agree to waive any claims to, any compensation, benefit, or any incident of employment by City, including but not limited to eligibility to enroll in PERS as an employee of City and entitlement to any contribution to be paid by City for employer contribution and/or employee contributions for PERS benefits.

6.12. Cooperation. In the event any claim or action is brought against City relating to Consultant's performance or Services rendered under this Agreement, Consultant shall render any reasonable assistance and cooperation which City might require.

6.13. Ownership of Documents. All findings, reports, documents, information and data including, but not limited to, computer tapes or discs, files and tapes furnished or prepared by Consultant or any of its subcontractors in the course of performance of this Agreement, shall be and remain the sole property of City. Consultant agrees that any such documents or information shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior consent of City. Any use of such documents for other projects not contemplated by this Agreement, and any use of incomplete documents, shall be at the sole risk of City and without liability or legal exposure to Consultant. City shall indemnify and hold harmless Consultant from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from City's use of such documents for other projects not contemplated by this Agreement or use of incomplete documents furnished by Consultant. Consultant shall deliver to City any findings, reports, documents, information, data, in any form, including but not limited to, computer tapes, discs, files audio tapes or any other Project related items as requested by City or its authorized representative, at no additional cost to the City.

6.14. Public Records Act Disclosure. Consultant has been advised and is aware that this Agreement and all reports, documents, information and data, including, but not limited to, computer tapes, discs or files furnished or prepared by Consultant, or any of its subcontractors, pursuant to this Agreement and provided to City may be subject to public disclosure as required by the California Public Records Act (California Government Code Section 6250 *et seq.*). Exceptions to public disclosure may be those documents or information that qualify as trade secrets, as that term is defined in the California Government Code Section 6254.7, and of which Consultant informs City of such trade secret. The City will endeavor to maintain as confidential

all information obtained by it that is designated as a trade secret. The City shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any trade secret including, without limitation, those records so marked if disclosure is deemed to be required by law or by order of the Court.

6.15. Conflict of Interest. Consultant and its officers, employees, associates and subconsultants, if any, will comply with all conflict of interest statutes of the State of California applicable to Consultant's services under this agreement, including, but not limited to, the Political Reform Act (Government Code Sections 81000, *et seq.*) and Government Code Section 1090. During the term of this Agreement, Consultant and its officers, employees, associates and subconsultants shall not, without the prior written approval of the City Representative, perform work for another person or entity for whom Consultant is not currently performing work that would require Consultant or one of its officers, employees, associates or subconsultants to abstain from a decision under this Agreement pursuant to a conflict of interest statute.

6.16. Responsibility for Errors. Consultant shall be responsible for its work and results under this Agreement. Consultant, when requested, shall furnish clarification and/or explanation as may be required by the City's representative, regarding any services rendered under this Agreement at no additional cost to City. In the event that an error or omission attributable to Consultant occurs, then Consultant shall, at no cost to City, provide all necessary design drawings, estimates and other Consultant Services necessary to rectify and correct the matter to the sole satisfaction of City and to participate in any meeting required with regard to the correction.

6.17. Prohibited Employment. Consultant will not employ any regular employee of City while this Agreement is in effect.

6.18. Order of Precedence. In the event of an inconsistency in this Agreement and any of the attached Exhibits, the terms set forth in this Agreement shall prevail. If, and to the extent this Agreement incorporates by reference any provision of any document, such provision shall be deemed a part of this Agreement. Nevertheless, if there is any conflict among the terms and conditions of this Agreement and those of any such provision or provisions so incorporated by reference, this Agreement shall govern over the document referenced.

6.19. Costs. Each Party shall bear its own costs and fees incurred in the preparation and negotiation of this Agreement and in the performance of its obligations hereunder except as expressly provided herein.

6.20. No Third Party Beneficiary Rights. This Agreement is entered into for the sole benefit of City and Consultant and no other parties are intended to be direct or incidental beneficiaries of this Agreement and no third party shall have any right in, under or to this Agreement.

6.21. Headings. Paragraphs and subparagraph headings contained in this Agreement are included solely for convenience and are not intended to modify, explain or to be a full or accurate description of the content thereof and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

6.22. Construction. The Parties have participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises with respect to this Agreement, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties and in accordance with its fair meaning. There shall be no presumption or burden of proof favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

6.23. Amendments. Only a writing executed by the Parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns may amend this Agreement.

6.24. Waiver. The delay or failure of either Party at any time to require performance or compliance by the other of any of its obligations or agreements shall in no way be deemed a waiver of those rights to require such performance or compliance. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of the Party against whom enforcement of a waiver is sought. The waiver of any right or remedy in respect to any occurrence or event shall not be deemed a waiver of any right or remedy in respect to any other occurrence or event, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

6.25. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable in any circumstance, such determination shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms and provisions hereof or of the offending provision in any other circumstance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the value of this Agreement, based upon the substantial benefit of the bargain for any Party, is materially impaired, which determination made by the presiding court or arbitrator of competent jurisdiction shall be binding, then both Parties agree to substitute such provision(s) through good faith negotiations.

6.26. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. All counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one agreement.

6.27. Corporate Authority. The persons executing this Agreement on behalf of the Parties hereto warrant that they are duly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of said Parties and that by doing so the parties hereto are formally bound to the provisions of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by and through their respective authorized officers, as of the date first above written.

CITY OF COSTA MESA



Chief Executive Officer

Date: 4/4/16

CONSULTANT

[Redacted Signature]

Date: 4-1-2016

Signature

MICHAEL KASHIWAZI
CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

Name and Title

[Redacted Name]

Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

ATTEST:



[Redacted Name]

Date: 4-4-16

City Clerk

[Redacted Name]

Date: 4.1.16

Interim Finance Director

[Redacted Name]

Date: 4/1/16

City Attorney

[Redacted Name]

Date: 3/31/16

Risk Management

[Redacted Name]

Date: 4.1.16

Department Head/Director

[Redacted Name]

Date: 3/31/16

Project Manager

EXHIBIT A
CONSULTANT'S PROPOSAL

March 23, 2016



Ernesto Munoz, Public Services Director
City of Costa Mesa
Department of Public Works
77 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

RE: Proposal to Provide Staff Augmentation as needed to support Costa Mesa's Capital Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Munoz,

Interwest Consulting Group is pleased to submit our proposal to provide as needed staffing to support the City of Costa Mesa's Capital Improvement Program. Attached is information about our experience and capabilities along with a proposed fee schedule.

As Interwest's Public Works Group Leader, I will act as Principal-in-Charge and main management contact for the City. My experience includes over 30 years of industry experience and a track record of successful management and project delivery. Other technical and professional staff will be made available to support Capital Improvement Projects as-needed.

Our staff has held senior and executive management positions within numerous California cities including the titles of City Engineer, Public Works Director, Building Official, Traffic Engineer and other well-seasoned management personnel. This depth of experience brings a high level of expertise and sensitivity towards community and special interest group issues. We value the importance of a focus that represents the interests of our public agency clients and reflects positively on the citizens they serve.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at (714) 899-9039 should you have any questions. Thank you again for the opportunity to assist you on this project.

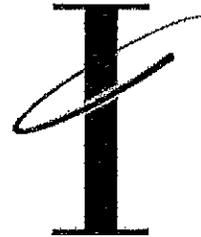
Sincerely,


James G. Ross
Public Works Group Leader
(949) 612-2534 | Office
(714) 742-1551 | Cell
ross@interwestgrp.com

I. Experience | Qualifications

Interwest Consulting Group

The seamless integration of municipal service professionals in support of public agencies has been our purpose since Interwest Consulting Group formed in 2002. Interwest was founded by individuals with a passion for serving municipalities. We currently employ approximately 280 employees spanning a multitude of disciplines within city engineering, public works, and building and safety departments throughout California. We currently serve over 200 cities, counties and state agencies. We similarly serve the municipalities of Costa Mesa, Irvine, Culver City, Wildomar, and Eastvale just to name a few.



We provide the following services to cities/counties: Construction Management, City Engineering, Capital Improvement Program Management, Development Improvement Plan/Map Review and Entitlement, Transportation Program Management/Funding, Traffic Engineering & Transportation Planning, Building and Safety, Real Property Acquisition, Geographic Information System (GIS), and Information Technology.

II. Personnel

Services will be directed from our Los Angeles office, which serves the entire Southern California region with professional staff performing functions in all of our disciplines. All of our proposed staff has significant direct experience working as city employees and as contract staff members in similar jurisdictions throughout California providing the services outlined by the City. **James G. Ross, Public Works Group Leader** will serve as Principal-in-Charge and as management contact to the City of Culver City.

Our proposed Capital Improvement Program Manager will be a professional with several years of direct experience managing Capital Improvement Programs for local municipalities. This individual will be properly licensed and certified in the State of California to perform the work required by the City.

Other technical and professional staff will be made available to support Capital Improvement Projects as needed. All of our staff has significant direct experience working as city employees and as contract staff members in similar jurisdictions throughout California providing the Capital Improvement support services that may be required by the City.

Individually, our professionals excel in each of their backgrounds. As a team, they possess the professional capability to innovatively create and implement effective solutions with your agency and the community's interests in mind.

III. Scope of Services

We understand that the City is seeking a firm to provide staff augmentation as-needed to support Costa Mesa's Capital Improvement Program. We look forward to determining a more detailed scope of services after further discussion with the City regarding staffing needs.

DELIVERING CAPITAL PROJECTS

Delivering Capital Projects under aggressive schedules involves management, administration, and oversight of project development teams from inception to completion. Project Management to Interwest means complete ownership of all project aspects including project delivery, funding, project development, and budgeting. This approach has advantages because this keeps the continuity, institutional knowledge, momentum, and key community contact person consistent throughout the project life.

Interwest has been successful in delivering Capital Improvement Projects by fostering an environment where there is a sense of urgency for every single capital project, regardless of size. This is our standard approach because, the reality is, the quality of life for residents is impacted in many ways –from congested interchanges, potholes in city streets, gaps in the bicycle network, down to broken/cracked sidewalks.

Interwest can perform the following:

- ✓ Develop project descriptions and scopes to determine budgets and delivery schedules
- ✓ Assist in the identification and procurement of necessary regulatory permits
- ✓ Prepare necessary internal communications to provide the City with regular status updates regarding project schedule, budgets, potential issues, and other items of interest or concern
- ✓ If requested, prepare City Council staff reports, technical memoranda, or Issues papers on projects
- ✓ Conduct project outreach to external stakeholders as directed by the City
- ✓ Manage the design team during the preparation of final plans, specification, and estimates
- ✓ Manage project bidding and oversee construction support and construction management/inspection
- ✓ Ensure the process is performed in adherence to Federal Agency (i.e. FHWA/FTA) guidelines
- ✓ If requested, provide leadership and guidance to city staff in the management of the Capital Improvement Program.

IV. Hourly Rates

The rates displayed in the fee schedule below reflect Interwest's current fees. Hourly rates are typically reviewed yearly on July 1 and may be subject to revision unless under specific contract obligations. In addition, there is no charge for shipping, supply, or material costs.

CLASSIFICATION	HOURLY BILLING RATE
Engineering	
Principal in Charge.....	\$160
Project Manager.....	160
Senior Advisor.....	140
Traffic Engineer.....	130
Supervising Engineer.....	125
Senior Engineer.....	120
Engineering Associate III.....	105
Engineering Associate II.....	100
Engineering Associate I.....	85
Engineering Technician III.....	75
Engineering Technician II.....	70
Engineering Technician I.....	65
Student Trainee.....	30

BILLING PROCESS

Invoices are typically generated upon the conclusion of the month. Interwest Consulting Group will work with the City to supply the necessary billing information.