

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR “BRUSH CLEARANCE IN RICE CANYON” (CIP # OP225) (PHASE 2) TO HELIX ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$283,256 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MULTIPLE SPECIES CONSERVATION SUBAREA PLAN (MSCP) OF 2003 AND AREA SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVES (ASMDs), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

WHEREAS in 2009 the City applied for a pre-disaster mitigation grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) for brush removal to create a 60-foot defensible space for the Fire Department to defend approximately 230 homes in the Rice Canyon open space area in Rancho Del Rey; and

WHEREAS via a letter dated September 5, 2013, California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (“Cal OES”) notified the City of FEMA’s approval of FY09 Legislative Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant #2010-0001, Project #0002, FIPS #073-13392, Supplement #5; and

WHEREAS at the end of January 2015 when the City completed the approved Brush Clearance in Rice Canyon project, the City had a grant fund balance to expend on an expanded scope of work; and

WHEREAS FEMA and Cal OES have given the City the approval to conduct an additional 40-foot wide brush clearance in Rice Canyon and to revegetate the 100-foot cumulative brush clearance area in Rice Canyon to stabilize the slopes and deter the growth of undesirable plant species; and

WHEREAS on October 21, 2016 the City staff issued an advertisement for Brush Clearance in Rice Canyon (Phase 2) (File No. 0735-10-OP225) (“RFP OP225”); and

WHEREAS a mandatory pre-bid meeting and site visit were held on October 27, 2016 to review and clarify bid requirements and to emphasize that the bids would be evaluated and a contract awarded to the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder for Brush Clearance in Rice Canyon (Phase 2); and

WHEREAS, City staff received bids from three (3) vegetation management companies and held a public bid opening on November 7, 2016. The bids received were as follows:

| Name of Contractor | Amount of Bid |
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| Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. | \$283,255.80 |
| IO Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc. | \$292,121.00 |
| S&B Engineering | \$334,966.00 |

WHEREAS staff determined that Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. was the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder; and

WHEREAS the low bid submitted by Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. is within the project budget, and the contractor has demonstrated experience in performing vegetation management in environmentally sensitive areas, and has the capacity to complete the brush clearance within specified time frame; and

WHEREAS funds in the amount of \$283,256 are available to complete the project; the funds comprising the following: Brush Clearance Rice Canyon (OP225), \$281,388; and Public Works Open Space Administration, \$1,868.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Chula Vista does hereby accepts the bids submitted in response to RFP OP225, awards the “Brush Clearance in Rice Canyon” (CIP # OP225) (Phase 2) contract, pursuant to RFP OP225, as amended, to Helix Environmental Planning, Inc., and authorizes and directs the City Manager or his designee to execute the contract and all other necessary documents.

Presented by

Approved as to form by

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