

**SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
(Design Professional)**

THIS SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2023, by and between the City of Merced, a California Charter Municipal Corporation ("City"), and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., A New York Corporation ("Consultant").

WHEREAS, City is undertaking a project to prepare a Wastewater Collection System Master Plan for the City of Merced ("Project"); and,

WHEREAS, City and Consultant have previously entered into an Agreement for Professional Services ("Agreement") dated April 1, 2013, a First Amendment dated June 16, 2014, a Second Amendment dated April 20, 2015, a Third Amendment dated April 17, 2017, a Fourth Amendment dated September 4, 2018, a Fifth Amendment dated June 15, 2020, and a Sixth Amendment dated November 1, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, City and Consultant desire to amend said Agreement to provide for additional services in connection with said project.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter recited, agree as follows:

1. Section 33, "ADDITIONAL SCOPE OF SERVICES," is hereby added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"SECTION 33. ADDITIONAL SCOPE OF SERVICES.

The Scope of Services is amended in accordance with the changes outlined in Exhibit 1 attached hereto."

2. Section 34, "ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION," is hereby added to the Agreement to read as follows:

"SECTION 34. ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION. The City shall pay to Consultant the not to exceed additional sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the additional services described in Exhibit 1 and in accordance with the fee schedule set forth on Exhibit 1, attached hereto."

3. Except as herein amended, the Agreement dated April 1, 2013, First Amendment dated June 16, 2014, Second Amendment dated April 20, 2015, Third Amendment dated April 17, 2017, Fourth Amendment dated September 4, 2018, Fifth Amendment dated June 15, 2020, and Sixth Amendment dated November 1, 2021, shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this SEVENTH Amendment to Agreement to be executed on the date first above written.

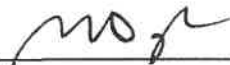
CITY OF MERCED
A California Charter Municipal
Corporation

BY: _____
City Manager

ATTEST:
STEPHANIE R. DIETZ, CITY CLERK

BY: _____
Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BY:  7/11/2023
City Attorney Date

ACCOUNT DATA:

BY: _____
Verified by Finance Officer

CONSULTANT
STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES,
INC., A New York Corporation

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BY: Steven Beck
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Steven Beck

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Its: Senior Principal
(Title)

BY: _____
(Signature)

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Its: _____
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June 28, 2023

File: 184030360

Attention: Ken Elwin, Public Works Director

City of Merced Public Works Department
1776 Grogan Avenue
Merced, CA 95341

**Reference: Amendment 7 Scope of Services for Merced Wastewater Collection System
Environmental Impact Report (EIR)**

Dear Mr. Elwin,

Scope of Work

Task 206.001: Revised Project Description

Stantec will review the revised WCSMP and 2020 Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to determine the changes in the Project Description and submit a revised Project Description to the City for review.

DELIVERABLES

- Revised Draft Project Description (1 electronic copy)

Task 206.002: Administrative, Screencheck, and Recirculated Draft EIR

Stantec will make appropriate revisions to these documents and incorporate revised analysis related to changes on the WCSMP at both the Program and Project level. The Recirculated Draft EIR (RDEIR) will include an Introduction that explains the process and provides the rationale for recirculation, including reference to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5 that addresses recirculation of documents prior to certification.

Given that this will involve reorganization, we do not propose to show track changes in our WORD files relative to the existing layers of environmental documentation. Stantec assumes that the City will provide direction for preparing the Administrative Draft RDEIR so that revisions to prepare the Screencheck and Public Review Draft RDEIR will be very minor.

Stantec will prepare one (1) Administrative RDEIR for City staff review (electronic only). Based on one (1) set of minor, consolidated and vetted City staff comments, Stantec will prepare one (1) Screencheck RDEIR (electronic only). Stantec will respond to one round of consolidated comments on the Screencheck RDEIR and prepare the RDEIR in a manner that is ready to be published for public review. Once the RDEIR is deemed acceptable for public distribution, Stantec will prepare all noticing documents for submittal to the California State Clearinghouse and a Notice of Availability (NOA) for the RDEIR. Stantec will upload the electronic copies of the RDEIR, appendices, and forms (the NOC, NOA, and Summary Form) via CEQAnet to the State Clearinghouse website to start the 45-day public review period. Stantec will provide an

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Reference: **Amendment 7 Scope of Services for Merced Wastewater Collection System Environmental Impact Report (EIR)**

electronic to the City, and the City will be responsible for local distribution, noticing, and posting. Finally, this Scope of Work assumes that City staff will prepare and mail all notices associated with the RDEIR to local agencies and interested parties, including noticing in any newspapers.

DELIVERABLES

- Administrative RDEIR City Review (1 electronic copy)
- Screencheck RDEIR (Proof- Check) for City Review (1 electronic copy)
- Public Review RDEIR (electronic copy)
- Notice of Completion and Availability (electronic copy)

Task 206.003: Final Recirculated EIR

It is anticipated that a second set of public comments will be received on the REIR. Stantec will prepare the Final REIR, which will include responses to the comments on the Draft EIR as well as responses to comments on the REIR. In light of the limited nature of the recirculation, a low volume of comments is anticipated. Thus, the complexity of the comments is unknown, we assume a total of 20 professional hours for responses to comments and any editorial revisions to the REIR that would be appropriate for the Final.

Stantec will prepare one (1) Administrative Final REIR for City staff review (electronic only). Based on 1 set of minor, consolidated, and vetted City staff comments, Stantec will prepare one (1) Screencheck Final REIR (electronic only). Stantec will respond to one round of consolidated comments on the Screencheck REIR and submit a Final REIR.

We assume the City will prepare the Findings and all materials for City Council Approval.

DELIVERABLES

- Administrative Final REIR City Review (1 electronic copy)
- Screencheck Final REIR (Proof- Check) for City Review (1 electronic copy)
- Final REIR

Task 206.004: Project Management and Meetings

Our authorized scope of work and contract amendment includes budget for management and meetings. In light of the recirculation, additional management time will be necessary and additional meetings will occur to address questions that arise during the preparation of the document. We assume the need for up to three telephone meetings and up to three virtual meetings and/or hearings, two hours each for the duration of the project. We assume no in-person meetings.

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ASSUMPTIONS

- City will be responsible for public scoping and noticing for any public scoping efforts (e.g., Notice of Preparation) associated with the RDEIR.
- Resource chapters in the RDEIR will be based on the 2020 DEIR, and won't require a substantial re-write of the existing or regulatory setting.
- Stantec will be responsible for preparing all notices related to the state CEQA Guidelines for the preparation and public release of the EIR (i.e., NOA, NOC, and NOD).
- City will prepare and publish the NOA for the RDEIR in the local newspaper.
- Stantec will provide all documents to the City in electronic format (Microsoft Word and PDF).
- Stantec will be responsible for submitting the electronic versions on the State Clearinghouse CEQA portal with assistance from the City.
- Meetings in exceedance of those noted in this scope of work would require a change order.
- The EIR scope of work may need to be adjusted based on review of public comments, City comments, or level of effort based on revised WCSMP.
- The City will prepare the Findings and all materials for City Council Approval
- Stantec staff will conduct reconnaissance-level surveys of pipeline alignments that will be analyzed at the project-level to assess biological and cultural resources. No biological assessments for consultation under the California or Federal Endangered Species Act or cultural resources reports for consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer will be prepared (e.g., consultations required for Section 404 permitting).
- Stantec assumes that the City will provide one set of consolidated and vetted comments on each deliverable.

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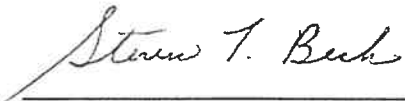
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FEE ESTIMATE

Our services will be performed on time and expenses basis. Attached is a work breakdown structure (WBS) of the estimated work effort totaling \$139,000. The fee estimate is broken out for each team member in a matrix format showing hours and charge rates per team member. Also included is our Standard Billing Rates for 2023 showing hourly rates by skill classification. There is approximately \$64,000 remaining budget in the existing overall project budget that will be consolidated and used to complete this scope of work. Therefore, the proposed budget for this amendment to our Agreement is $\$139,000 - \$64,000 = \$75,000$.

Regards,



Steven L. Beck, P.E.
Senior Principal
Cell: (916) 826-3665
Email: steven.beck@stantec.com



SCHEDULE OF BILLING RATES – 2023 (USD)

Billing Level	Hourly Rate	Description
3	\$122	Junior Level position <input type="checkbox"/> Independently carries out assignments of limited scope using standard procedures, methods and techniques <input type="checkbox"/> Assists senior staff in carrying out more advanced procedures <input type="checkbox"/> Completed work is reviewed for feasibility and soundness of judgment <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, one to three years' experience
4	\$129	
5	\$145	
6	\$150	Fully Qualified Professional Position <input type="checkbox"/> Carries out assignments requiring general familiarity within a broad field of the respective profession <input type="checkbox"/> Makes decisions by using a combination of standard methods and techniques <input type="checkbox"/> Actively participates in planning to ensure the achievement of objectives <input type="checkbox"/> Works independently to interpret information and resolve difficulties <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program, with credentials or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, three to six years' experience
7	\$164	
8	\$170	
9	\$178	First Level Supervisor or first complete Level of Specialization <input type="checkbox"/> Provides applied professional knowledge and initiative in planning and coordinating work programs <input type="checkbox"/> Adapts established guidelines as necessary to address unusual issues <input type="checkbox"/> Decisions accepted as technically accurate, however may on occasion be reviewed for soundness of judgment <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program, with credentials or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, five to nine years' experience
10	\$187	
11	\$200	
12	\$211	Highly Specialized Technical Professional or Supervisor of groups of professionals <input type="checkbox"/> Provides multi-discipline knowledge to deliver innovative solutions in related field of expertise <input type="checkbox"/> Participates in short and long range planning to ensure the achievement of objectives <input type="checkbox"/> Makes responsible decisions on all matters, including policy recommendations, work methods, and financial controls associated with large expenditures <input type="checkbox"/> Reviews and evaluates technical work <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program, with credentials or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, ten to fifteen years' experience with extensive, broad experience
13	\$220	
14	\$238	
15	\$250	Senior Level Consultant or Management <input type="checkbox"/> Recognized as an authority in a specific field with qualifications of significant value <input type="checkbox"/> Provides multi-discipline knowledge to deliver innovative solutions in related field of expertise <input type="checkbox"/> Independently conceives programs and problems for investigation <input type="checkbox"/> Participates in discussions to ensure the achievement of program and/or project objectives <input type="checkbox"/> Makes responsible decisions on expenditures, including large sums or implementation of major programs and/or projects <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program, with credentials or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, more than twelve years' experience with extensive experience
16	\$267	
17	\$275	
18	\$276	Senior Level Management under review by Vice President or higher <input type="checkbox"/> Recognized as an authority in a specific field with qualifications of significant value <input type="checkbox"/> Responsible for long range planning within a specific area of practice or region <input type="checkbox"/> Makes decisions which are far reaching and limited only by objectives and policies of the organization <input type="checkbox"/> Plans/approves projects requiring significant human resources or capital investment <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate from an appropriate post-secondary program, with credentials or equivalent <input type="checkbox"/> Generally, fifteen years' experience with extensive professional and management experience
19	\$286	
20	\$296	
21	\$314	

All labor rates will be subject to annual increase of 4% on January 1st of each calendar year.

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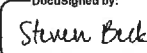
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