

RIVERBEND RESOLUTION NO. 20180228-02

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO, ELIZABETH FAZIO HALE, TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AND EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT/CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AN UPDATE TO THE WATER AVAILABILITY MODEL WITH ROBERT J. BRANDES CONSULTING; OR ALTERNATIVELY, TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO THE SAME WITH AQUA STRATEGIES, CAROLLO ENGINEERS, & HOFFPAUIR CONSULTING.

WHEREAS, Riverbend Water Resources District is a conservation and reclamation district created under and essential to accomplish the purposes of Section 59 Article XVI, Texas Constitution, existing pursuant to and having the powers set forth in Chapter 9601 of the Special District Local Laws Code of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend Water Resources District has a need for an update to the Water Availability Model for the Sulphur River Basin; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend Water Resources District has completed the formal process through publication and notice for Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services for an update to the Water Availability Model; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend Water Resources District received two competitive proposals through the formal process, and both provided certain qualified services for the Water Availability Model;

WHEREAS, the Executive Director/CEO, Liz Fazio Hale, Systems Manager Eli Hunt along with Board Member Fred Milton, and 2 consultants (RFQ Evaluation Committee) met and assigned a raw score to each entity based upon its review of factors relative to the proposals submitted to include the quality of response, team organization, project experience, project approach, and summary; and thereafter conducted interviews resulting in the top two firms in order of preference, as follows: 1) Robert J. Brandes Consulting, 2) Aqua Strategies, Carollo Engineers, & Hoffpauir Consulting; and

WHEREAS, in the event, at the Executive Director/CEO's discretion, an acceptable agreement and services cannot be negotiated with Robert J. Brandes Consulting, the Executive Director/CEO may negotiate for the same pursuant to the terms set forth herein with the next qualified engineer so on and so forth; and



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Riverbend Water Resources District hereby authorizes the Executive Director/CEO, Elizabeth Fazio Hale, to negotiate and enter into an agreement for Engineering Services for an update to the Water Availability Model of the Sulphur River Basin with Robert J. Brandes Consulting to provide said services for Riverbend Water Resources District; or alternatively, to negotiate and enter into same with Aqua Strategies, Carollo Engineers, & Hoffpauir Consulting Any agreement must be reviewed and approved by general counsel.

PASSED and APPROVED this 28th day of February 2018

Marshall Wood, President

ATTEST:

Sean Rommel, Secretary