# **EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request**

For Contract Awards, Renewals, and Increases

The Board is being asked to approve a contract and additional funds with **Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc.** for **Strategic Asset Management Plan Consulting.** 

Board Meeting Date: October 1, 2024

Project Name/Contract #: Strategic Asset Management Plan \ 23-206-PSC

Manager: Vivian DuPont Ext. 7183
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**Contract Amount:** 

Original Contract Amount: \$135,000 (Not previously approved by Board)

Additional \$ Previously Approved: \$0 Spend over last approval: \$0

Amount this Request: \$248,000 (Original \$135,000 plus an increase of \$113,000)

% Increase over last approval: NA

Resulting Cumulative Total: \$248,000

**Contracting Method:** 

Method of Solicitation: Formal Request for Proposal (RFP)

If applicable, basis for exemption: NA

Term of Agreement: Initial term was one (1) year, extended by amendment to June 30, 2025

Option to Renew?

Approval for purchases "as needed": Yes  $\square$  No  $\boxtimes$ 

Proposals/Bids Received (Range): 2 proposals, ranging from \$134,600 to \$879,170

Selection Basis: Highest Ranked Proposer

#### Narrative:

## Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

This work is one piece of a multi-year effort to strengthen EWEB's Asset Management System (AMS) in order to maximize the value obtained from EWEB assets by more effectively optimizing cost, risk, and performance across the full lifecycle of EWEB assets. In addition, by identifying, improving, and documenting EWEB's AMS in advance of EES Season 3, we ensure that the EES team will receive a clear and consistent model of EWEB's AMS use as an input to their implementation effort. This will allow EES Season 3 to proceed more efficiently and lead to better outcomes.

## **Contracted Goods or Services**

This effort began with the development and approval of the EWEB Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) in 2024. The consulting services to support this effort is the work covered by the initial amount referenced above (not previously reviewed by the Board). The SAMP development process allowed the EWEB Asset Management Working Group and Steering Committee to identify opportunities to improve the EWEB Asset Management System, and to prioritize and commit to specific opportunities to pursue in the next three to five years. One of these opportunities

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is the development of Operational Asset Management Plans (OAMP) for each of EWEB's five asset intensive divisions (Electric, Water, Generation, Support Services, Information Services).

The additional amount requested at this time would allow EWEB to engage Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc. to support EWEB in developing an Operational Asset Management Plan (OAMP) for Electric Division assets. The OAMP provides an organization-wide view of the work and resources necessary to deliver EWEB's Asset Management goals with respect to this body of assets. This includes defining EWEB's roadmap for managing each class of assets across their full lifecycle—including how this information is used to forecast expenditures—to ensure EWEB is doing the right amount of work, at the right time, to achieve the right levels of service, for the right cost. In addition, the OAMP will set forth how EWEB will mature and advance its practices to address improvement opportunities and move towards its target future state.

The EWEB project management team for this project will also use this process as a model to train staff to develop and deliver OAMPs for EWEB's other four asset-intensive divisions (Water, Generation, Support Services, Information Services). Thus, this consulting work will focus on the Electric Division OAMP but will still be applicable for all five OAMPS.

#### **Purchasing Process**

In October 2023, staff issued a Formal Request for Proposals (RFP) posted in the State of Oregon's procurement website, OregonBuys. EWEB received two responses from Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc. of New York, NY, and Hatch LLC of Portland, OR. The responses were evaluated based on criteria stated in the RFP, including Project Approach and Understanding, Qualifications of the Firm and Key Staff, Pricing, and Acceptance of EWEB's Terms and Conditions. Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc. was deemed the highest ranked proposer.

#### Proposals/Bids Received

Vendor Name	City, State	Offered Price	Ranking
Turner & Townsend AMCL	New York, NY	\$134,600	1
Hatch LLC	Portland, OR	\$879,170	2

### Competitive Fair Price

Thirteen (13) consulting firms downloaded the solicitation, but only two (2) firms elected to submit proposals. Other interested consulting firms were contacted but elected not to participate. Pricing of the selected firm was compared to similar work completed with comparable utility projects and found to be in line with expected scope of work and deliverables.

## **Prior Contract Activities**

If approved, this will be the first contract EWEB has awarded to Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc.

## **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Management requests the Board approve the contract and additional funds with Turner and Townsend AMCL Inc. for Strategic Asset Management Plan Consulting. Approximately \$135,000 was planned for these services in the Support Services 2024 O/M Administration budget of \$980,000 as well as another \$115,000 from the Electric Operations 2025 O/M budget of \$1 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.

**BUDGET CATEGORY:** Electric O&M

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