

LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

July 3, 2024

TO:

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Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WORK ORDERS #24-006 AND #24-012 EACH EXCEEDING \$300,000 UNDER THE AS-NEEDED VOTING SOLUTIONS FOR ALL PEOPLE (VSAP) ENHANCEMENTS AND SUPPORT SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT (VESSMA)

This is to advise your Board of the intent of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) to execute Work Orders #24-006 under VESSMA Category 4(a) - Election Cybersecurity Services - Election Security Monitoring and Implementation Services for the amount of \$1,084,000 and Work Order #24-012 under VESSMA Category 2 – Election Operations Management and Planning Services for the amount not to exceed \$2,214,000 for Election Management System (EMS) project management with AT&T to support all elections occurring between July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

BACKGROUND

On March 1, 2022, your Board approved VESSMA, which utilizes a competitive bid process to engage approved vendors to provide critical election support services in the areas of operations management, network support, load testing, cybersecurity, tally enhancements, education and outreach, and other election support services. In accordance with VESSMA Section 6.0, Board notice is required for work orders exceeding \$300,000.

SCOPE OF WORK

Services provided by AT&T under #24-006 Category 4(a) will include: 1) support building and maintaining the election security program at the RR/CC with respect to secure architecture design and implementation; and 2) surge staff at the RR/CC

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Election Cybersecurity Operations Center (E-CSOC) as part of the overall information security program.

Services provided by AT&T under #24-012 Category 2 will provide IT operations, program, and project management services to manage the implementation of the new Election Management System (EMS). Services will also include operations planning, logistical planning, oversight, and execution.

JUSTIFICATION

Under #24-006 (Category 4a), the RR/CC requires various election cybersecurity services to deter, detect, degrade, deny, and destroy adversarial activities to support all elections starting from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Under #24-012 (Category 2), the RR/CC requires project management support for the implementation of the new EMS system. The Canton Group was awarded a contract to develop and customize a new EMS system starting in July 2022, the system is scheduled for a January 2026 go-live date and to be used in the 2026 Gubernatorial Elections. Services will assist the RR/CC with the timely implementation of the EMS project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for VESSMA is part of the RR/CC Fiscal Year 2024-2025 approved budget. No additional Net County Cost is required.

VESSMA work order terms do not cross fiscal years to align with approved funding.

NOTIFICATION TIMELINE

Consistent with VESSMA policies and procedures, we are informing your Board of our intention to execute the above-mentioned Work Orders #24-006 and #24-012. If no objection is received from your Board in ten (10) business days, we will proceed with execution of Work Orders #24-006 (Category 4a) and #24-012 (Category 2).

If you have any questions or need further information, please call me at (562) 462-2716 or email dlogan@rrcc.lacounty.gov. Your staff may also contact Jerome Jordan, Assistant Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, at (562) 462-2652 or email jjordan@rrcc.lacounty.gov.

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