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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Brian Foss, Planning Director**

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing Amendment No. 2, adding \$97,500 to the contract between the County and Helix Environmental Planning for the Boca Quarry expansion project EIR (Resolution 12-009 and amended by Resolution 13-336), and a related Planning Department budget amendment.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Resolution amending the contract with Helix Environmental Planning for the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report for the Boca Quarry Expansion project; and authorizing the amendment to the Planning Department budget to transfer an additional \$97,500.00 from the Environmental Impact Report Liability Account amount to cover the additional costs of the Helix Environmental Planning contract amendment.

FUNDING: The contract amount is paid by the project applicant and impacts the 2017/2018 Planning Department budget but is not a cost to the County. The contract increase is \$97,500 above the prior contract amount; a budget amendment resolution has been prepared for concurrent consideration. The expenses are paid by the project applicant and no General Fund Dollars are required.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution with Exhibits A and B: Personal Services Contract (Scope of Services and Schedule of Compensation) and Resolutions 12-009 and 13-336.

BACKGROUND: On January 10, 2012, the Board of Supervisors approved a professional service contract in the amount of \$104,332 with Helix Environmental Planning to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Boca Quarry

Expansion Project (U11-008, RP11-001 & EIR11-001). The Draft EIR was completed and was released for public review between September 17, 2012 and November 8, 2012.

Following the preparation of the Response to Comments, the Final EIR was prepared and was set for Planning Commission approval on February 28, 2013. However, comments were received late in the process that necessitated EIR revisions and additional responses to the public comments. The first contract amendment was approved that increased the contract by \$77,769 to \$182,101 in order to revise the Final EIR.

Additional changes to the project description have now been made that require a revision to the previously released Draft EIR. Updated studies are also required due to changes in circumstances in the project setting and due to the time that has elapsed since the Draft EIR was released. The contract amendment for \$97,500 will allow Helix to complete a revised Draft EIR and Final EIR in order to complete the environmental review and move the project to hearing. The applicant is in agreement with this contract amendment and has provided the funds. The total EIR contract with the second amendment would be \$279,601.

The proposed Resolution authorizing Amendment No.2 to the contract also revises the Planning Department budget to show the increase in costs and expenditures for this Contract.

Approved by: Brian Foss, Planning Director