



RESOLUTION No. _____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO CONTRACT PESP4417 WITH ROBINSON ENTERPRISES, INC. INCREASING THE CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT FROM \$500,000 TO \$650,000, FOR WINTER STORM EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES OF SNOW, VEGETATION REMOVAL AND GREEN WASTE PROCESSING; AMENDING THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 BUDGET; AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, on December 27, 2021 in the early morning, Nevada County was hit with an intense winter snow-storm (Snow-storm) bringing excessive amounts of snow to areas that typically receive little to no snow. The Snow-storm caused over 30,000 Nevada County residents to lose PG&E utility power service with PG&E saying it could take many days for restoration; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Snow-storm hundreds of trees have been reported down across county roads, with many trees having attached utility power lines to them and there has been numerous calls for service from local residents who have had trees land on their homes; and

WHEREAS, an emergency proclamation was ratified on December 30, 2021 in an emergency Board of Supervisors meeting by Resolution 21-541. The Local Emergency Proclamation enables Nevada County to more effectively respond to the Snow-storm, seek and utilize mutual aid, obtain state and federal funds (if available), and ensure that the County's resources and economy, as well as the community at large, have all the necessary tools at their disposal to endure this ongoing challenge; and

WHEREAS, the State of California declared an emergency on December 30, 2021 in support of Counties recovering from the Winter Storms; and

WHEREAS, the County entered into a contract with Robinson Enterprises, Inc. effective December 28, 2021 for Winter Storm Emergency Response Services of Snow, Vegetation Removal and Green Waste Processing. To date the contractor has removed snow, vegetation, and processed green waste and worked over 700 labor hours in emergency response with a total of \$249,567.50 as of February 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, There remains a significant number of downed trees and vegetation throughout the community. This presents many challenges for neighborhoods hardest hit from these storms to dispose of green waste and reduce these fire fuels prior to the start of fire season. With the additional vegetation removal, collection, and green waste processing required in response to the Snow-storm declared emergency, staff recommends amending the existing contract from \$500,000 to \$650,000 to pay for services related to community emergency storm green waste drop off events; and

WHEREAS, County staff is working with the State on the vegetation removal and green waste processing in response to the declared Snow-storm Emergency for reimbursement once the California Disaster Assistance Act is authorized. Once authorized the County will be eligible for reimbursement up to 75% of eligible expenditures with the remaining 25% to be paid from the County General Fund and anticipated receipt of a Norther Sierra Air Quality Management District Grant; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2022 the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment 1 to Contract No. PESP4417 through Resolution 22-090 increasing the contract not to exceed amount from \$50,000 to \$500,000 and extended the contract termination to June 30, 2022. This Amendment 1 accomodated the additional roadside snow, vegetation removal and collection response to the winter storm emergency; and

WHEREAS, With the addition of the emergency storm green waste drop off events in response to the Snow-storm declared emergency, staff recommend Amendment 2 to Contract No. PESP4417 increasing the not to exceed contract amount from \$500,000 to \$650,000 to pay for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby approves Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. PESP4417 with Robinson Enterprises, Inc. increasing the contract not to exceed amount from \$500,000 to \$650,000 for winter storm emergency response services of snow, vegetation removal/collection and green waste processing; authorizing the Purchasing Agent to execute the contract amendment and directing the Auditor-Controller to release \$150,000 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund balance and amending the Office of Emgerency Services Fiscal Year 2021/22 budget as follows:

Increase:

0101-20702-414-1000/521520 \$150,000