



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Cook County Department of Environment and Sustainability

Vendor: Geosyntec Consultants, Inc, Chicago, IL

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Climate Resiliency Planning for Communities

Contract Value: \$1,599,726.12

Contract period: 11/1/2023 - 2/28/2025 with two, one-year renewal options

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2023 \$240,060.00, FY 2024 \$959,666.12, FY 2025 \$400,000

Accounts: 11286.1161.65462.520830.00000.00000

Contract Number(s): 2323-03090

Concurrences:

The Vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: This contract will allow the Department of Environment and Sustainability to engage Geosyntec Consultants, Inc to conduct community engagement and develop individualized Climate Resiliency Plans for five preselected communities in suburban Cook County. In addition to soliciting feedback from community members, the Consultant will connect with local and regional partners to identify existing efforts to bolster each community against climate threats and natural disasters. The Consultant will also work with communities to prioritize climate resiliency projects and present final reports in a digital format. Our region is already facing a number of negative impacts from climate change such as increased extreme heat events and flooding from intensified storms. Many communities do not have the staff or funding resources to develop plans that allow them to proactively prepare for such events, so are left to fix the damage after it occurs. These plans will allow the communities to be better prepared and serve as a base which they can use to secure future funding from additional sources for implementation.

This contract is awarded through a publicly advertised Request for Proposals (RFP) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.