RESOLUTION NO. 2021-89

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOSTER CITY AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ECONOMIC & PLANNING SYSTEMS, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,415 TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE STUDY FOR CITY OF FOSTER CITY

CITY OF FOSTER CITY

WHEREAS, the City of Foster City incorporated in 1971, needs to address its aging infrastructure and community amenities in order to maintain the quality of life and meet the needs of its community; and

WHEREAS, new development projects impact and cause additional strain on the City's infrastructure and community amenities; and

WHEREAS, per the California Mitigation Fee Act (Government Code Section 66000, et. seq., a Development Impact Fee Study is required in order to show a nexus between the impact caused by development and the development impact fee assessed on a project; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2021, the City Council held its annual Vision & Policy Summit to review and discuss projects and initiatives of the highest priority for City Council for Calendar Year 2021. Smart Planning, Development, and the Local Economy was one (1) of the six (6) broad Value/Priority Areas under which Development Impact Fee Study was identified as a key project/initiative; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the City Council, by Minute Order No. 1742, affirmed each of the Value/Priority Areas identified, as well as the associated key projects and initiatives listed including Development Impact Fee Study; and

WHERAS, on April 5, 2021, upon authorization from the City Council, the City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for professional services regarding the preparation of comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study; and

WHEREAS, the City received four (4) responses to the RFP, including DTA, Harris & Associates, Willdan Financial Services (Willdan) and, Economic & Planning Systems, Inc (EPS); and

WHEREAS, Staff interviewed two (2) firms, including EPS and Willdan following an initial screening of the responses and EPS stood out as the firm most capable of leading a successful process to conduct a comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study; and

WHEREAS, EPS' proposal included a scope, schedule and budget for the preparation of a comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study at a cost not to exceed \$105,415; and

WHEREAS, a supplemental amount of \$19,585 for additional tasks related to Development Impact Fee Study has been added with authority given to the City Manager to execute contract amendments up to the supplemental amount, not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$125,000; and

WHEREAS, engaging consultants to conduct a comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study is not a "project" under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), which provides that CEQA does not apply to the creation of governmental funding mechanisms that do not involve a commitment to a particular project which may result in a significant impact to the environment; and

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by EPS was reviewed by staff, and the fee for the scope of professional services has been deemed reasonable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Foster City does hereby authorize:

- the Mayor to execute an agreement with EPS in an amount not to exceed \$105,415 for professional services for preparation of comprehensive Development Impact Fee Study; and
- 2. a supplemental amount of \$19,585 for additional tasks related to Development Impact Fee Study with authority given to the City Manager to execute contract amendments up to the supplemental amount, not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$125,000.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED as a resolution of the City Council of the City of Foster City at the regular meeting held on the 21st day of June 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Awasthi, Froomin, Hindi, Sullivan, and Mayor Gehani

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

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SANJAY GEHANI, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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