

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE

12-0116R

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT 20716 AND INCREASE OF \$25,000 WITH AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL FIELD AND LABORATORY TESTING SERVICES IN FISCAL YEAR 2012 FOR AN ESTIMATED CONTRACT TOTAL OF \$40,000.

CITY PROPOSAL:

The city council finds:

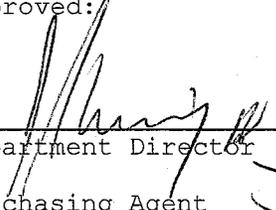
(a) That the city of Duluth desires to hire professional consulting firms for field and laboratory testing services required to support the construction, operation and maintenance of city systems for fiscal year 2012;

(b) That American Engineering Testing, Inc., has submitted a fee schedule for field and laboratory testing services in connection with this work;

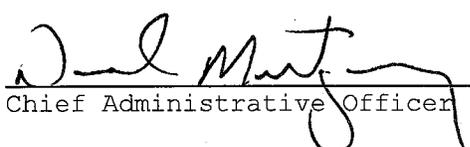
(c) That the council previously authorized a one-year extension and increase in year 2011, and that the city desires to continue this arrangement for year 2012.

RESOLVED, that the council hereby approves a one-year extension and an estimated \$25,000 increase for Agreement 20716 with American Engineering Testing, Inc., for such field and laboratory services, for a total estimated contract amount of \$40,000, and that the cost of said services for fiscal year 2012 will be paid from various appropriate funds, departments, agencies, and objects.

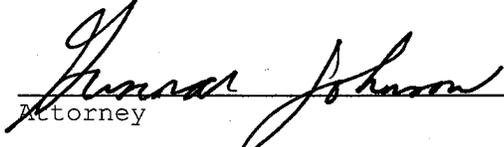
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Department Director  
Purchasing Agent 

Approved for presentation to council:

  
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Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

  
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Attorney

Approved:

  
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Auditor

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution approves a one-year contract extension and estimated \$25,000 increase for the city's Agreement 20716 with American Engineering Testing, Inc., for professional services in field and laboratory testing, payable from various project funds.

The engineering division initiated this process in 2008 by seeking proposals from five professional testing companies. The city council approved Resolution 08-0025 on January 28, 2008, resulting in Agreement 20716 for \$15,000 annually for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010. City officials extended the contract (under \$25,000) in June of 2011 and the council approved Resolution 11-0591 on November 14, 2011, authorizing an increase of \$25,000.

From the beginning, it was anticipated that this agreement would be a blanket purchase agreement, with projects ordered and billed on an hourly basis. Entering into this agreement, or renewing thereafter has never guaranteed a minimum order.

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