

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item # 2

# AGENDA REPORT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: January 23, 2018

Subject: Aircraft Noise

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Attachment(s): None

**Initiated by**: Staff

**Previous Council Consideration**: October 24, 2017

**Fiscal Impact**: Up to \$44,500 of General Fund dollars

# **Environmental Review:**

Not applicable

# Policy Question(s) for Council Consideration:

• Does the Council wish to engage the services of CSDA Design Group to provide professional services on the issue of aircraft noise related to South Flow Arrivals to San Jose International Airport?

### Summary:

• The Cities of Los Altos and Mountain View issued a joint RFP for aircraft noise consultant services to help the Cities with issues related to South Flow Arrivals to San Jose International Airport

### Staff Recommendation:

Move to authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement between the Cities of Los Altos and Mountain View and CSDA Design Group in total contract amount not to exceed \$89,000 with each City contributing 50% of the total cost for consultant services for airplane noise generated by South Flow Arrivals to San Jose International Airport and appropriate \$44,500 from the General Fund for the City's portion of the contract



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#### Purpose

To engage the services of an aircraft noise consultant to assist the City and its representative to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on South Flow Arrivals

#### Background

On October 24, 2017, the City Council authorized the City Manager to work with neighboring cities to hire a consultant to assist with the South Flow Arrivals Ad Hoc Advisory Committee. The intention was to engage the services of an expert to help the City better understand the issues related to aircraft noise generated by South Flow Arrivals into San Jose International Airport.

#### Discussion/Analysis

City staff has teamed with the City of Mountain View to issue a joint request for proposals (RFP). Proposals were due December 19, 2017.

#### Scope of Work

The RFP Scope of Work was identified as:

1. Develop and analyze options to mitigate airplane noise generated by South Flow Arrivals to San Jose International Airport, and review the work of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

In addition, the RFP included the following potential add-on services:

- 2. Provide expertise and counsel on flight paths, air traffic procedures and federal environmental review processes concerning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Metroplex efforts in the San Francisco Bay Area and other areas as they relate to impacts to San Jose International Airport
- Monitor and analyze aircraft operations and noise abatement procedures and reports at San Jose International Airport to develop recommendations for enhancements of current noise mitigation or development of new South Flow Arrival procedures for guidance to policymakers
- 4. Review agenda, materials, and attend Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on South Flow Arrival meetings on the cities behalf
- 5. Monitor FAA Federal Register notifications

The Cities received three proposals. Based on the proposals received and interviews with two of the firms, Staff recommends engaging the services of CSDA Design Group (CSDA). CSDA has worked on similar projects for other agencies, including the Cities of Palo Alto and Sunnyvale. All work for these agencies has been completed.

Staff recommends the Council authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement between the two cities and CSDA for the services identified in the primary scope of work. These services are proposed to cost \$52,330. In addition, staff recommends the Council authorize



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the City Manager to add in the additional services should staff and the City's representative to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on South Flow Arrivals determine those services are needed. Total cost for all additional services is \$36,405. The City of Los Altos' portion of the cost for this contract would range between \$26,165 and \$44,368.

The Mountain View City Council will consider this contract on January 23, 2018.

### Options

- 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract with the City of Mountain View and CSDA Design Group for aircraft noise consultant services
- Advantages: Provides the City and its representative to the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on South Flow Arrivals with technical expertise in working to prevent unnecessary aircraft noise over Los Altos

Disadvantages: None identified

- 2) Do not engage the services of CSDA Design Group
- Advantages: None identified

Disadvantages: Does not provide relevant expertise to the City on the issue of aircraft noise

#### Recommendation

The staff recommends Option 1.