



Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Steven D. Jones, Community Development Department Director
DATE: May 5, 2026
SUBJECT: Consideration of Amendments to Agreements For Professional Services for Planning and Environmental Services

Description: To consider approval of amendments to the agreements for professional services with PlaceWorks, Inc., Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc., The Altum Group, Chambers Group, Inc., Alta Planning + Design, Inc., and MIG to authorize contract amendments including contract assignment, rate increases, and term extensions.

Background and Analysis:

On-Call Planning and Environmental Services

On May 16, 2023, the City entered into agreements for professional services with PlaceWorks, Inc., Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., The Altum Group, Chambers Group, Inc., and MIG to provide on-call planning and environmental services on an indefinite quantity basis, supporting the analysis, evaluation, and review of specialized scientific and technical documentation for the City's independent project determinations. The Chambers Group, Inc., has requested cost proposal adjustments to their pay rates. Without the proposed amendments to extend agreement terms, authorizations for services are set to expire May 16, 2026.

Climate Action Plan Update

On August 1, 2023, the City entered into an agreement with Raimi and Associates, Inc. (Raimi) to update the Beaumont Climate Action Plan to measure, track, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and facilitate the adoption of climate adaptation measures, since the independent contractor possessed the necessary skills, licenses, certifications, qualifications, personnel and equipment to provide such services.

Raimi and Associates, Inc. was acquired by Alta Planning + Design Inc. (Alta), a partner of the Trilon Group, LLC family of businesses. Alta seeks to be assigned Raimi's contract. To continue uninterrupted processing of the Beaumont Climate Action Plan update, the assignment should be acknowledged and authorized. Raimi's contract would expire August 1, 2026.

If approved, the proposed amendments would authorize pay increases consistent with industry hourly rates and average U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) annual inflation, extend the terms of these agreements through June 30, 2027, and facilitate assignment and assumption of a contract for a purchased company, allowing for the continued provision of professional advisory and technical services while the City undertakes a new request for proposals process in compliance with state law.

The amendments would provide continuity and operational stability as the City considers major development proposals and potential annexations of adjacent unincorporated areas within Riverside County. Retaining the current consultants preserves institutional knowledge and helps avoid delays associated with procuring and onboarding new firms.

General Plan Alignment

Approval of this item would be consistent with the Elevate Beaumont 2040 General Plan, including goals related to biological resources (Goal 8.10) and community design and the public realm (Goal 3.5), by supporting the protection of natural resources and promoting high-quality development that enhances Beaumont's appeal as a place to live and work.

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated cost of preparing this staff report is \$250.

If approved, private developer-led projects that fund eligible on-call Planning consultant services would have a not-to-exceed amount of One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$140,000.00) each for PlaceWorks, Inc., Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., The Altum Group, Chambers Group, Inc., and MIG, as the work would be performed on a non-exclusive, indefinite-quantity basis at the City's request. Once itemized invoices are received for services completed, payments would be processed through purchase order accounts funded by the developers of the projects under consultant review.

The development of an updated Beaumont Climate Action Plan By Raimi and Associates, Inc. was already funded during the 2020-2021 fiscal year for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand, Six Hundred One Dollars and Zero Cents (\$272,601.00). No additional General Fund impact is anticipated beyond already budgeted appropriations.

Recommended Action:

Approve amendments to the Agreements for Professional Services with PlaceWorks, Inc., Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc., The Altum Group, Chambers Group, Inc., MIG to set not-to-exceed amounts, authorize average rate increases for Chambers Group, assign the Raimi and Associates, Inc. agreement to Alta Planning + Design, Inc., and extend the terms of the agreements through June 30, 2027, and

Authorize the City Manager to make as-needed minor, non-substantive changes and execute the amendments.

Attachments:

- A. First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Services with PlaceWorks, Inc.
- B. First Amendment Agreement for Professional Services with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc.
- C. First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Services with The Altum Group
- D. First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Services with Chambers Group, Inc.
- E. First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Services with Raimi and Associates, Inc.
- F. Second Amendment and Assignment of Amended Agreement for Professional Services with Alta Planning + Design, Inc.
- G. First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Services with MIG
- H. Agreement for Professional Services with PlaceWorks
- I. Agreement for Professional Services with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc.
- J. Agreement for Professional Services with The Altum Group
- K. Agreement for Professional Services with Chambers Group, Inc.
- L. Agreement for Professional Services with Raimi and Associates, Inc.
- M. Agreement for Professional Services with MIG