



June 28, 2023

Governing Board Communication

Agenda Item B-4

TO: MERA Governing Board

FROM: Heather Plamondon, Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Approval of a New Agreement between MERA and Regional Government Services for Consolidated Services to Include, Executive Management, Fiscal Services and Next Gen Project Implementation

Recommended Action:

Authorize the Board President to execute a one-year agreement with Regional Government Services (RGS) to provide Executive Management, Fiscal Services and Next Gen Project Implementation management.

Background:

At the December 14, 2022, Governing Board meeting, two six-month extensions for RGS services were approved. At that time there was one agreement for Executive and Fiscal Services and a second for Next Gen Project Management Services. Since that time Staff has worked with RGS to draft a new consolidated agreement that covers all of the services provided by RGS Contractors in support of MERA needs.

The Structure of the agreement will allow for adjustments should the support needs for MERA change.

The Compensation structure was reviewed and updated to accurately reflect the work being done on behalf of MERA, in addition to the recognition of technical systems and support that are provided for MERA use.

Fiscal Impact:

The Governing Board approved sufficient funds in the FY23-24 Operating Budget and the FY 23-24 Project Budget to cover the costs of this agreement. Making the Executive and Finance costs attributable to the Operating Budget and the Next Gen Project Management attributable to the Project Budget.