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June 13, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000068 - Little Dalton Debris Basin Seismic Strengthening and Spillway Bridge, City of Glendora (5), Griffith Company, with a final contract amount of \$1,067,267.34 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0000753 - Fairflex Drain, City of Pomona (1), Mike Bubalo Construction Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$62,993.95, and a final contract amount of \$4,906,186.98.

Project ID No. FCC0000948 - Priority A and B Catch Basin Retrofit in Cities Tributary to the Los Angeles River, Phase 1A, Cities of Commerce, Monterey Park, Rosemead, and Los Angeles (1 and 3), United Storm Water, with changes amounting to a credit of \$28,229.77, and a final contract amount of \$881,660.69.

Project ID No. RDC0014535 - Solar Powered School Zone Flasher Project, vicinities of Azusa, City Terrace, Santa Fe Springs, Walnut Park, Florence, Rosewood, Hacienda Heights, La Mirada, Whittier, Pasadena, Palmdale, and Stevenson Ranch (1, 2, 4, and 5), Republic Electric, with a final contract amount of \$455,700.00.

Project ID No. RMD1146039 - Parkway Tree Trimming - Fast Growth, RD 116/117/517, 2005-06, vicinities of South El Monte and West Covina (1 and 5), Trimming Land Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$6,059.00, and a final contract amount of \$213,737.00.

Project ID No. RMD1546033 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Fast Growth, RD 118/518, FY 2005-06, vicinities of Azusa and Covina (1 and 5), Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., with changes amounting to a credit of \$8,630.00, and a final contract amount of \$125,495.00.

Project ID No. WRD0000009 - San Dimas Dam and Reservoir Debris Removal, vicinity of San Dimas (5), Zurich North America, with changes amounting to a credit of \$269,726.00, and a final contract amount of \$3,194,870.35 (Partial Acceptance).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000753, FCC0000948, RMD1146039, RMD1546033, and WRD0000009.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from credits of \$269,726.00 to \$6,059.00, while the total value of the contracts range from \$125,495.00 to \$4,906,186.98.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)
June 13, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000068, LITTLE DALTON DEBRIS BASIN SEISMIC
STRENGTHENING AND SPILLWAY BRIDGE (in the City of Glendora),
Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Griffith Company, 12200 Bloomfield Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California
90670-4742

Project Description:

Seismic strengthening of an existing reinforced concrete spillway and outlet tower, construction of a reinforced concrete bridge with prestressed girders to span the spillway at the dam crest, and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 16, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On February 7, 2006, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of this contract with a withholding of \$2,600 for Affirmative Action noncompliance. The contractor has since complied with the Affirmative Action Reporting Requirements of the contract. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,026,283.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>40,984.34</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$1,067,267.34</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
June 13, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000753, FAIRPLEX DRAIN (City of Pomona),
Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Mike Bubalo Construction Company, 5102 Gayhurst Avenue
Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Construction of reinforced concrete box and pipe storm drain and drainage structures, dewatering, treatment and disposal of groundwater, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$87,720.00)
(2) Construct Longitudinal Gutter and Additional Catch Basins	<u>24,726.05</u>
Total	(\$ <u>62,993.95</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) Your Board previously approved a change in work to construct a longitudinal gutter and five additional catch basins and reposition 15 proposed catch basins to maximize the capture of flows. The cost for this work will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Twenty additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 7, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor requested 39 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$4,866,502.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	104,726.43
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(62,993.95)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(2,047.50)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$4,906,186.98</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
June 13, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000948, PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASIN RETROFIT
IN CITIES TRIBUTARY TO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, PHASE 1A,
(Cities of Commerce, Monterey Park, Rosemead, and Los Angeles),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 3

Contractor: United Storm Water, 14000 East Valley Boulevard, Suite B,
City of Industry, California 91746

Project Description:

Construction of retrofit devices in existing storm drain catch basins to reduce the amount of trash and debris entering the storm drain system and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$28,229.77)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The cost for this work was based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes. The contractor was granted 59 additional move-in days.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 1, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$909,890.46
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(28,229.77)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$881,660.69</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014535, SOLAR POWERED SCHOOL ZONE FLASHER PROJECT (in the vicinities of Azusa, City Terrace, Santa Fe Springs, Walnut Park, Florence, Rosewood, Hacienda Heights, La Mirada, Whittier, Pasadena, Palmdale, and Stevenson Ranch), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5

Contractor: Republic Electric, 371 Bel Marin Keys Boulevard, Suite 200, Novato, California 94949-5699

Project Description:

Installation of solar-powered flashers adjacent to various school zones.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on May 2, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

There were no additions or deletions to the original contract; therefore, the final contract amount for this project is \$455,700.00

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1146039, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING - FAST GROWTH,
RD 116/117/517, 2005-06 (vicinities of South El Monte and West Covina),
Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: Trimming Land Company, Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate,
California 90280

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$6,059.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 21, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$213,865.000
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	5,931.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(6,059.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$213,737.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
June 13, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. RMD1546033, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, FAST GROWTH,
RD 118/518, FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Azusa and Covina),
Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., P.O. Box 1140, Glendora,
California 91740

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$8,630.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 27, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$121,675.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	12,450.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(8,630.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$125,495.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (Partial)
June 13, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. WRD0000009, SAN DIMAS DAM AND RESERVOIR DEBRIS
REMOVAL (in the vicinity of San Dimas), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Zurich North America, P.O. Box 17097, Baltimore, Maryland 21297-1097

Project Description:

Removal of sediment within the reservoir.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$269,726.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The project was completed on April 19, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications through a takeover agreement with a Surety company. During construction, the contractor requested 95 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$4,987.50.

The Surety company disputes the final contract amount. We are currently attempting to resolve their claim. Rather than delaying payment of the retention to the Surety for completed work and pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend all retention be released. Once the Surety's issues are resolved, we will return to your Board for final acceptance.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$2,797,200.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	672,383.85
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(269,726.00)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(4,987.50)</u>
 AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	 <u>\$3,194,870.35</u>

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