



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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February 20, 2007

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:

**LAWNDALE LIBRARY PROJECT  
APPROVE DEMOLITION  
SPECS. 6581; C.P. 77481  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2  
3 VOTES**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER THAT  
YOUR BOARD:**

Approve demolition of existing improvements on the proposed Lawndale Library site.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The recommended action will allow Public Works to demolish existing improvements on the site of the new Lawndale Library in preparation for construction.

On August 16, 2005, your Board approved a State Library Bond Act Grant Agreement, authorized the County Librarian to accept Bond Act Grant funds, and awarded an Agreement for the design of the Lawndale Library.

On February 11, 2003, your Board approved an option Agreement with the City of Lawndale for an exchange of properties in the Lawndale Civic Center between the City and the County to provide a site for the new library. As authorized, the Chief

Administrative Officer exercised the option with the City on January 4, 2007, to acquire the site.

The site transferred to the County includes five buildings, various hardscape elements, trees, and landscaping. The vacated buildings include a 5,100-square-foot wood community senior center; a 760-square-foot masonry building used as an annex; and three wood buildings each between 500 and 650 square feet used for storage and YMCA counseling.

The recommended action will clear the site, reduce unforeseen site conditions, and prepare the site for construction.

The project is in the construction document design phase. Following completion of the construction documents and jurisdictional approval, we plan to return to your Board to adopt plans and specifications and advertise for bids to construct the project.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action meets the County Strategic Plan Goals of Fiscal Responsibility, Service Excellence, and Children and Families' Well-being as this is an investment in public infrastructure that will provide improved library services and educational facilities and programs for enhancing education/workforce readiness for the residents of the City of Lawndale.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The costs associated with the demolition site work are estimated at \$300,000. Sufficient funds are available in the 2006-07 Capital Project Budget (C.P. 77481).

### **Operational Financing**

Not applicable.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

A standard Job Order Contract work order, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On February 11, 2003, your Board adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation, Monitoring, and Reporting Program for this project.

**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Not applicable.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended services.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division) and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

DAVID E. JANSSEN  
Chief Administrative Officer

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cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance  
Public Library  
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW Program)