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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA
MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY AT KANAN DUME ROAD/KANAN ROAD
INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MULHOLLAND CORRIDOR
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve and advertise the Mulholland Highway at Kanan Dume Road/Kanan Road project in the unincorporated community of Mulholland Corridor; find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt the plans and specifications; authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the installation of a traffic signal system with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid; and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to carry out the project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter and in the record of the project.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for Project ID No. TDS0001511, Mulholland Highway at Kanan Dume Road/Kanan Road project, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$365,000 and \$485,000.

BIDS: October 17, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement, and which are to be received before 11 a.m. on October 17, 2017, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.
4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not responsive, to determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid.
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the installation of a traffic signal system and other appurtenant work with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range.
6. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or his designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (1) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (2) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in State Public Contract Code, Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; (3) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings; (4) accept the project upon its final completion; and (5) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is for the Board to approve and advertise the project; adopt the plans and specifications; authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for installation of a new traffic signal system and other appurtenant work with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid; and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to carry out the project.

This project consists of the installation of a new traffic signal, construction of raised medians, pedestrian refuge, curbs and sidewalk; installation of striping and pavement markings; and the performance of other appurtenant work under Project ID No. TDS0001511, Mulholland Highway at Kanan Dume Road/Kanan Road project in the unincorporated community of Mulholland Corridor.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The County Strategic Plan directs the provision of Strategy III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability, Objective III.3.2, Manage and Maximize County Assets. The recommended action supports ongoing efforts to manage and improve public infrastructure assets.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$365,000 to \$485,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$680,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, survey, utility clearance, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

Funding for this project is included in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project is part of the Department of Public Works ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 45 working days. It is anticipated the work will start in January 2018 and be completed in March 2018.

Delegating to the Director or his designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to address Operation Safe Canyons Committee concerns with traffic congestion.

The award of the contract will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

A standard construction contract will be used that contains terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances and policies, including but not limited to, the County of Los Angeles' Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs, Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, and Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015).

To ensure the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making an award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsections (x)5, (x)14, and (x)22 of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for installation of new traffic signal systems, reconstruction of existing roadway pavement, curbs, gutters, and sidewalk; and maintenance of existing roadway facilities.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis.

An award by the Director or his designee will be made upon review of the bids. The contract will be awarded to the responsible contractor who submits the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code.

In accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy adopted on September 6, 2016, the project will include a best efforts goal that at least 30 percent of the total California craft worker hours for construction of the project be performed by Local Residents. The "Targeted Worker" component will not be included as part of the project. To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with the County" and "Public Works' Business Opportunities" websites for open bids:

<http://www.lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-the-county>

<http://dpw.lacounty.gov/general/contracts/opportunities>

Also, Public Works will leverage its social media platform by advertising the solicitation through Twitter.

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be coordinating with the Office of Small Business at the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs to maximize outreach, as well as offering preferences to Local Small Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved traffic flow thereby benefiting the community.

CONCLUSION

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Pestrella". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" and last name "Pestrella" clearly distinguishable.

MARK PESTRELLA

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Chia-Ann Yen)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)