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

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

18 February 6, 2018

LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA  
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
PINE CANYON ROAD  
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY COMMUNITIES OF  
GORMAN AND LAKE HUGHES  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

These actions are to approve the Pine Canyon Road project in the unincorporated County communities of Gorman and Lake Hughes to carry out accelerated delivery of the project, by approving the project and adopting the plans and specifications, and delegating authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to advertise for bids; award and execute a construction contract with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid; and implement certain responsibilities to carry out the project.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that this project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for the reasons noted in this letter.

2. Approve the Pine Canyon Road project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for Project ID No. RDC0014131, at an estimated construction contract cost in the range of \$2,700,000 to \$3,800,000.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to advertise for bids and 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.
4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range.
5. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or his designee the following authority in connection with the contract: approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works or his designee under Section 2.18.050 of the Los Angeles County Code relative to the construction of County buildings; 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; accept project upon its final completion; release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code Sections 7107 and 9203; and extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code Section 4104.5.
6. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract if the lowest responsive bid exceeds the estimated cost range by no more than 15 percent and if additional and appropriate funds have been identified.

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

The purpose of the recommended actions is for the Board to approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications and authorize its accelerated delivery by delegating authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to advertise for bids, award and execute a construction contract with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, and implement certain responsibilities to carry out the project.

The purpose of this project is to resurface the pavement of Pine Canyon Road. The proposed pavement treatment requires construction during warm weather, typically from April through October. Delegating authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to advertise for bids and award the construction contract will ensure construction begins by early summer of 2018. In addition, the Pine Canyon Road project will be funded by the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds allocated to the County under the State of California Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1). Advancing this project to construction will help demonstrate to the public the County's commitment to delivering the benefits of the new transportation funding.

The project is to be completed in approximately 60 working days. It is anticipated that work will begin in July 2018 and be completed by October 2018.

**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The County Strategic Plan directs the provision of Strategy III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability and Objective III.3.2, Manage and Maximize County Assets. The recommended actions support 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 the Pine Canyon Road project is in the range of \$2,700,000 to \$3,800,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$6,400,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the costs of preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, survey, environmental clearance, right-of-way and utility clearances, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The construction cost will be financed with the State of California Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds allocated to the County under the State of California Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1) while the remaining project costs will be financed with State Highway User's Tax (also known as Gas Tax). Funding for this project is included in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget.

**FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The project is part of Public Works' ongoing highway construction program. The project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

Delegating to the Director of Public Works or his designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract will allow for an accelerated process for project delivery to ensure construction of pavement during warm weather as required for the type of pavement treatment.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

The Board-adopted Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy will be applied to the project. 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 and 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 the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided in Board Policy Number 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making an award.

The plans and specifications will include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary and will be on file with Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

Pine Canyon Road project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1(x), 2, and 22 of the County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines previously adopted by the Board. These exemptions provide for maintenance and resurfacing of existing highways.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The Pine Canyon Road project will be contracted on an open competitive bid basis. An award by the Director of Public Works or his designee will be made upon review of the bids meeting the criteria established by the Board and the State Public Contract Code.

The County Local Small Business Enterprise preference will be applied to the determination of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

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 via Twitter.

In addition, 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.

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

When the project is completed it will have a positive impact by increasing the service life of the roadway pavement and improving motorists rideability and reducing wear and tear on vehicles.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development 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" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Pestrella".

MARK PESTRELLA

Director

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