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## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

53 August 4, 2020

CELIA ZAVALA  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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:

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
WATER RESOURCES CORE SERVICE AREA  
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
LOS ALTOS PUMPING PLANT MECHANICAL  
AND ELECTRICAL REHABILITATION  
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0001334  
IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4)  
(3 VOTES)**

### SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to deliver the Los Altos Pumping Plant Mechanical and Electrical Rehabilitation project in the City of Long Beach.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:**

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board 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 Public Works for the Los Altos Pumping Plant Mechanical and Electrical Rehabilitation project at an estimated construction contract cost between \$2,100,000 and \$2,800,000.
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 September 8, 2020, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.

BIDS: September 8, 2020 @ 11:00 a.m.

4. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District 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. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the Los Altos Pumping Plant Mechanical and Electrical Rehabilitation project with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$2,100,000 and \$2,800,000.
6. Delegate to the Chief Engineer of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District 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 or his designee 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**

Approval of the recommended actions will find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow Public Works to replace the main pumps, sump pump, electric motors, discharge pipes, and flap gates and install a catwalk platform and new light fixtures at the Los Altos Pumping Plant in the City of Long Beach.

This project is required to restore the stormwater pumping capacity of the pumping plant to reduce the potential for flooding in the community. The project was initiated after a 2017 field inspection and condition assessment revealed that one pump column was broken in half, the other pump columns and elbows had several large rust holes, and the discharge pipes were corroded. The pumping plant is currently operating at half capacity, which limits the storm event size the facility can handle. Work will occur inside the Los Altos Pumping Plant, which is adjacent to the Los Cerritos Channel near the intersection of Anaheim Road and Studebaker Road in the City of Long Beach, as shown on the enclosed map.

It is anticipated the work will start in July 2021, due to the lengthy lead time for the procurement of equipment, and be completed in November 2021.

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

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: Strategy III.3, Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability, Objective III.3.2, Manage and Maximize County Assets, by supporting 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 \$2,100,000 and \$2,800,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$3,300,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, environmental compliance, and other County services.

Funding for this project is included in the Flood Fund Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget.

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

This project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20991 of the State Public Contract Code.

The contract award will comply with applicable Federal and State requirements and Board policies and mandates. The contract documents will require the contractor to comply with these same requirements, policies, and mandates. The construction contract will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

As required by Board Policy No. 5.140, information such as defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractors State License Board, labor violations, and debarment actions will be considered before a contract is awarded.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is exempt from the CEQA. The project to replace the main pumps, sump pump, and electric motors and install an interior catwalk platform and new interior light fixtures is within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. In addition, based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

Upon the Board's approval of the project, Public Works will file a Notice of Determination with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

In accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, the contract documents 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 "Do Business with Public Works" websites for open bids:

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

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

Also, the contract solicitation will be advertised through web-based and social media platforms, including 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, Social Enterprises, and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapters 2.204, 2.205, and 2.211.

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

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by improving stormwater pumping capacity of the pumping plant and will reduce the potential for flooding in the community.

**CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Enclosures

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

**LOCATION MAP**  
**LOS ALTOS PUMPING PLANT MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL**  
**REHABILITATION PROJECT**  
**FCC0001334**



**ANAHEIM ROAD**

**STUDEBAKER ROAD**

**LOS ALTOS  
PUMPING PLANT**

**LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL**

**CHANNEL ACCESS ROAD**

**CHANNEL ACCESS ROAD**

