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December 7, 2004

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. FCC0000084 - Pacoima Dam Facilities Improvement, vicinity of Sylmar (5), Ladd and Associates, with a final contract amount of \$13,111,904.08 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0014422 - Azusa Avenue at Wing Lane, vicinity of West Covina (5), C. T. & F., Inc., with changes amounting to \$3,234.67, and a final contract amount of \$101,291.78.

Project ID No. TRN0000004 - Nonadvertising Bus Stop Shelters and Solar Light Poles, vicinities of East Los Angeles, Florence, West Los Angeles, Whittier, and Palmdale (All), LNI Custom Manufacturing, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$1,322,660.92.

Project ID No. WWD2900007 - Topanga-Fernwood Pipeline Replacement, vicinity of Fernwood (3), Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc., and Vidmar, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$63,435.41, and a final contract amount of \$1,750,534.81.

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

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Interim 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 Interim 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. RDC0014422 and WWD2900007.

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 are a credit of \$63,435.41 and an increase of \$3,234.67, while the total values of the contracts range from \$101,291.78 to \$13,111,904.08.

Ratification of these changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contract 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 these changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with the 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 Interim 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 methods, 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.

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**CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Interim Director of Public Works

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

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)  
December 7, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000084, PACOIMA DAM FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT  
(in the vicinity of Sylmar), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Ladd and Associates, P.O. Box 992750, Redding, California 96099-2750

Project Description:

Facilities improvement.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 30, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On August 3, 2004, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of the contract with a withholding of \$100,000 pending the resolution of a claim by the contractor. The claim has now been resolved. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$10,317,015.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>2,794,889.08</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$13,111,904.08</u></b>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
December 7, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014422, AZUSA AVENUE AT WING LANE  
(in the vicinity of West Covina), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: C. T. & F., Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals, striping, and pavement markings, and construction of curb ramps.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$2,334.67
(2) Exploratory Excavations	<u>900.00</u>
Total	<u>\$3,234.67</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 increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to have the contractor perform exploratory excavations to confirm the locations of existing facilities.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 7, 2004, 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	\$ 98,057.11
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director of Public Works	<u>3,234.67</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$101,291.78</u></b>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
December 7, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. TRN0000004, NONADVERTISING BUS STOP SHELTERS AND SOLAR LIGHT POLES (in the vicinities of East Los Angeles, Florence, West Los Angeles, Whittier, and Palmdale), All Supervisorial Districts

Contractor: LNI Custom Manufacturing, Inc., 12536 Chadron Avenue, Hawthorne, California 90250

Project Description:

Furnishing and installation of solar-powered bus stop shelters, solar light poles, and other appurtenant work at various bus stops.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 28, 2004, 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:

There were no additions or deletions to the contract; therefore, the final contract amount is \$1,322,660.92.

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
December 7, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. WWD2900007, TOPANGA-FERNWOOD PIPELINE  
REPLACEMENT (in the vicinity of Fernwood), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Vido Artukovich & Son, Inc., and Vidmar, Inc., 11155 Rush Street,  
South El Monte, California 91733

Project Description:

Replacement of an existing water main with 16" steel water main.

Changes in Work:

Variation in Bid Quantities (\$63,435.41)

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 contractor completed the project on July 16, 2004, 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	\$1,426,899.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	387,071.22
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director of Public Works	<u>(63,435.41)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$1,750,534.81</u></b>

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