



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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February 28, 2006

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  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 5  
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. FMD0002046 - Channel Right of Way Clearing, 2005, East Maintenance Area, vicinities of Pomona, City of Industry, Glendora, San Dimas, Monrovia, and Pasadena (1 and 5), TruGreen LandCare, with changes in the amount of \$4,197.69, and a final contract amount of \$428,672.69.

Project ID No. RDC0014101 - Santa Fe Avenue at Independence Avenue, vicinity of South Gate (1), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,098.08, and a final contract amount of \$232,483.57.

Project ID No. RDC0014482 - Alley East of Atlantic Boulevard, et al., Phase II, vicinity of East Los Angeles (1), Griffith Company, with changes in the amount of \$5,653.00, and a final contract amount of \$887,333.50.

Project ID No. RMD4247024 - Road Division 141/241 V, Slurry Seal, FY 2004-05, vicinities of Florence and Walnut Park (1 and 2), Pavement Coatings Co., with changes amounting to a credit of \$21,923.77, and a final contract amount of \$289,759.34.

Project ID No. RMD5546111 - Parkway Tree Trimming and Removal; RD 551 (FG) A, C, and D; RD 553 (FG) A, B, and C; RD 557 (FG) A; FY 2004-05, vicinities of Agua Dulce, Antelope Acres, Palmdale, and Quartz Hill (5), Tip Top Arborists, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$4,184.00, and a final contract amount of \$64,381.00.

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

This action is to obtain Board ratification of 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 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. FMD0002046, RDC0014101, RDC0014482, RMD4247024, and RMD5546111.

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 the construction of these projects provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$21,923.77 to an increase in the amount of \$5,653.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$64,381.00 to \$887,333.50.

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

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**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.

**CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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

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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0002046, CHANNEL RIGHT OF WAY CLEARING, 2005, EAST MAINTENANCE AREA (in the vicinities of Pomona, City of Industry, Glendora, San Dimas, Monrovia, and Pasadena) Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: TruGreen LandCare, 1367 West 9th Street, Upland, California 91786

Project Description:

Clearing and removal of vegetation and debris from channel rights of way and channel lining weep holes, joints, and cracks.

Changes in Work:

(1) Dump Fees	\$6,937.69
(2) Sort and Grind Debris	<u>(2,740.00)</u>
Total	<u>\$4,197.69</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The contract specifications provided for an allowance to compensate the contractor for dump fees with provisions that payment will be based on the actual costs incurred. The actual costs of the dump fees incurred by the contractor were more than the amount of the allowance in the amount shown.

(2) In order to properly recycle and dispose of the debris and green waste that accumulated at the head of the San Dimas Wash, it was necessary to sort and grind the material near the San Dimas Sediment Placement Site. Also, the clearing of Eaton Wash was deleted from the contract.

The cost for Item 1 was based on time and materials as provided in Section III-C of the contract specifications. A portion of the cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Section III-B of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost for Item 2 was based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 16, 2005, 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.

In addition, the contractor requested 8 hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$424,895.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	4,197.69
Deduction for Overtime Inspection	<u>(420.00)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$428,672.69</u></b>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014101, SANTA FE AVENUE AT INDEPENDENCE AVENUE  
(in the vicinity of South Gate), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue,  
Suite 200, Anaheim, California 90241

Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb and gutter and sidewalk; installation of an irrigation system, median landscaping, and striping and pavement markings; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$1,098.08)

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.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 4, 2005, 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	\$233,581.65
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(1,098.08)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$232,483.57</u></b>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014482, ALLEY EAST OF ATLANTIC BOULEVARD, ET AL.,  
PHASE II (in the vicinity of East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Griffith Company, 12200 Bloomfield Avenue, Santa Fe Springs,  
California 90670

Project Description:

Construction of concrete pavement, gutter, curb, sidewalk, driveways, chainlink fence,  
and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$2,843.40
(2) Excavate Saturated Soil	<u>2,809.60</u>
Total	<u>\$5,653.00</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) Your Board previously approved a change in work to excavate saturated soil. The cost of this work will exceed the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on June 24, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$814,382.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	67,613.50
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	5,653.00
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(315.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$887,333.50</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4247024, ROAD DIVISION 141/241 V, SLURRY SEAL,  
FY 2004-05 (in the vicinities of Florence and Walnut Park),  
Supervisorial Districts 1 and 2

Contractor: Pavement Coatings Co., a corporation, P.O. Box 1491, Cypress,  
California 90630-6491

Project Description:

Slurry sealing of roadway pavement.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$21,923.77)

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 December 16, 2005, 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	\$311,683.11
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(21,923.77)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$289,759.34</u></b>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD5546111, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL;  
RD 551 (FG) A, C, AND D; RD 553 (FG) A, B, AND C; RD 557 (FG) A; FY 2004-05  
(in the vicinities of Agua Dulce, Antelope Acres, Palmdale, and Quartz Hill),  
Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Tip Top Arborists, Inc., 44107 North Yucca Avenue, Lancaster,  
California, 93534

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variation in Bid Quantities	\$4,184.00
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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 increase 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.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 23, 2005, 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	\$60,197.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>4,184.00</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$64,381.00</u></b>

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