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February 20, 2007

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, 3, 4, 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. FCC0000803 - Sun Valley Watershed - Sun Valley Park Drain and Infiltration System, City of Los Angeles (3), Southwest Engineering, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$664.00, and a final contract amount of \$5,814,071.93 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. FCC0000944 - Project No. 453 - Los Altos Pumping Plant Engine Replacement, City of Long Beach (4), S.S. Mechanical Corporation, with a final contract amount of \$713,500.

Project ID No. RMD1146041 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Road Divisions 117, 517, and 518, FY 2005-06, vicinities of La Puente and Covina (1 and 5) TruGreen LandCare, LLC, with changes amounting to a credit of \$2,509.00, and a final contract amount of \$139,323.00.

Project ID No. WMD0000099 - Paseo del Rio at Rio Hondo and San Gabriel Coastal Basin Spreading Grounds - Phase II Multiuse Improvement Project, City of Pico Rivera (1), 4-Con Engineering, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$2,414,744.70.

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. FCC0000803 and RMD1146041.

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 range in value from credits of \$2,509.00 to \$664.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$139,323.00 to \$5,814,071.93.

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.

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 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

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000803, SUN VALLEY WATERSHED - SUN VALLEY PARK DRAIN AND INFILTRATION SYSTEM (City of Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Southwest Engineering, Inc., 22333 Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 216, Malibu, California 90265

Project Description:

Construction of two stormwater infiltration basins and a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain, installation of stormwater treatment and telemetry systems, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$664.00)

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 prices 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 21, 2006, 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.

During construction the contractor requested 20 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$1,050.00.

In addition, due to the unique nature of this project, the County and the contractor are currently negotiating minor changes that would make the project operate as intended. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend all retention be released.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$5,223,300.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	592,485.93
Overtime inspection	(1,050.00)
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(664.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$5,814,071.93</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000944, PROJECT NO. 453 - LOS ALTOS PUMPING PLANT
ENGINE REPLACEMENT (in the City of Long Beach), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: S.S. Mechanical Corporation, 17631 Metzler Lane, Huntington Beach,
California 92647

Project Description:

Replacement of diesel fueled engines with natural gas fueled engines, the removal of
an underground diesel fuel tank, and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 13, 2006, 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:

There were no additions or deletions to the original contract, therefore, the final contract
amount for this project is \$713,500.00.

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1146041, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, ROAD DIVISIONS 117, 517, AND 518, FY 2005-06, (in the vicinities of La Puente and Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5.

Contractor: TruGreen LandCare LLC, 1323 West 130th Street, Gardena, California 90247

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$2,509.00)

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 December 8, 2007, three days after the required completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 for each calendar day beyond the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,500.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$143,332.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	(2,509.00)
Deductions for Liquidated Damages	<u>(1,500.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$139,323.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. WMD0000099, PASEO DEL RIO AT RIO HONDO AND SAN GABRIEL COASTAL BASIN SPREADING GROUNDS - PHASE II MULTIUSE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (City of Pico Rivera), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: 4-Con Engineering, Inc., 2751 Avalon Street, Riverside, California 92509

Project Description:

Paving and slurry sealing of existing bicycle paths; installation of picnic shelters, tables, benches, bike racks, trash receptacles, striping and pavement markings, manual and electrical gates, fencing and irrigation systems, and landscape; construction of retaining walls; and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 5, 2006, 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.

During construction, the contractor requested two hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$105.00.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$2,281,690.80
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	133,158.90
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(105.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$2,414,744.70</u>

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