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# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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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, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2, 3, 4, AND 5) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to award public works construction contracts and authorize the Acting Director of Public Works to execute contracts with the contractors for work in the Cities of Cerritos, Hawthorne, and Santa Clarita; the unincorporated communities of Athens and Lennox; and in the San Fernando Valley, nearby cities, and unincorporated communities.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to prepare the construction and maintenance service contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractors for the following:

 Project ID No. FCC0000273 - Santa Clara River - South Fork Private Drain No. 1300 Interim Rock Groins, to construct rock groin structures and compacted fill material, City of Santa Clarita (5), to Rock Structures Construction Company, in amount of \$85,731.01.

- Project ID No. FMD0001049 Channel Right of Way Clearing, 2008, West Maintenance Area, to clear vegetation and debris, in the San Fernando Valley, nearby cities, and unincorporated communities (3 and 5), to Trimming Land Co., Inc., in amount of \$529,790.00.
- Project ID No. RDC0011691 Hawthorne Boulevard, et al., to resurface and reconstruct roadway pavement; reconstruct curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; construct curb ramps and bus pads; and modify traffic signals, City of Hawthorne and unincorporated communities of Athens and Lennox (2), to Ortiz Asphalt Paving, Inc., in amount of \$2,953,709.23.
- Project ID No. RDC0014998/C.P. No. 87003 San Gabriel River Bike Trail Del Amo Boulevard Tunnel Realignment - Phase I, to realign and reconstruct the San Gabriel River Bicycle Trail, City of Cerritos (4), to Kormx, Inc., in amount of \$222,304.75.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval to award these construction and maintenance service contracts and authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or designee to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by contractors for each of these projects.

See attachments as follows for each project. The attachment for each project includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposal for the lowest bidder for each project are also attached including an addendum to the contract specifications for Project ID No. RDC0011691.

- Project ID No. FCC0000273 sheets 1A and 1B
- Project ID No. FMD0001049 sheets 2A and 2B
- Project ID No. RDC0011691 sheets 3A and 3B
- Project ID No. RDC0014998/C.P. No. 87003 sheets 4A and 4B

The recommended construction and maintenance service contracts are necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Department of Public Works (Public Works) projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and the subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

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### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Awarding these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and will enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

# FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These actions will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The attachment for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

Sufficient funds for Project ID Nos. FCC0000273 and FMD0001049 are included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0011691 are included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0014998/C.P. No. 87003 are included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code

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Chapter 2.202; and the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, which is defined as the firm that; (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation, including, but not limited to licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contracts are awarded to the lowest 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 for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the attachment for each project.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

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To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

Public Works will review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

### IMPACT ON CURRENT SÉRVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These construction and maintenance service contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

### **CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,

DEAN D. EFSTATHIOU

Acting Director of Public Works

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Attachments (4)

c: County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000273 - SANTA CLARA RIVER - SOUTH FORK PRIVATE DRAIN NO. 1300 INTERIM ROCK GROINS (City of Santa Clarita), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of rock groin structures and compacted fill material.

<u>CALL FOR BIDS DATE</u>: April 15, 2008 (Agenda Item 53)

BID OPENING DATE: May 13, 2008

# **BID SUMMARY**:

Low	*Antonio T. Paredes, an individual dba Rock Structures Construction Company 11126 Silverton Court Corona, California 92881 (951) 371-1112	\$85,731.01
2	Kaveh Engineering & Construction, Inc.	\$114,480.00
3	Granite Construction Company	\$120,000.00
4	C. A. Rasmussen, Inc.	\$199,900.00
5	Joha Construction	\$220,000.00
6	+Remedial Civil Constructors, Inc.	\$232,100.00
7	Summer Construction, Inc.	\$247,659.00
8	Abbott Contracting & Engineering, Inc.	\$272,246.00
9	Grand Pacific Contractors, Inc.	\$284,000.00
10	Damar Construction, Inc.	\$359,000.00
	*MWBE +LSBE	

#### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Amount of estimate	\$289,224.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$ 85,731.01
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$203,492.99

The amount of the recommended contract is 70 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Rock Structures Construction Company has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**:

On May 10, 2005, Agenda Item 78, your Board approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The project is to be completed in 30 working days. It is estimated the work will start in September and be completed in October 2008.

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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001049 - CHANNEL RIGHT OF WAY CLEARING, 2008, WEST MAINTENANCE AREA (in the San Fernando Valley, nearby cities, and unincorporated communities), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5

TYPE OF WORK: Clearing of vegetation and debris from flood control channel right of

way.

CALL FOR BIDS: May 13, 2008 (Agenda Item 46)

BID OPENING: June 17, 2008

# **BID SUMMARY**:

Low *Trimming Land Co., Inc., a corporation 10513 Dolores Avenue South Gate, California 90280 (323) 569-4498	\$529,790.00
2 Andre Landscape Service, Inc.	\$531,640.00
3 *Singh Group, Inc.	\$536,340.00
4 *+Orozco Landscape & Tree Co.	\$566,000.00
5 *Natures Image, İnc.	\$584,601.96
6 *International Environmental Corporation	\$615,794.00
7 *Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc.	\$726,800.00
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#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$578,000.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$529,790.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 48,210.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 8.3 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Trimming Land Co., Inc., an MWBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

On May 13, 2008, Agenda Item 46, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 75 working days. It is estimated the work will start in August and be completed in November 2008.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011691 - HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD, ET AL. (City of Hawthorne and unincorporated communities of Athens and Lennox), Supervisorial District 2

TYPE OF WORK: Resurfacing

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; construction of curb ramps and bus pads; modification of traffic signals; installation of striping and pavement markings; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: May 6, 2008 (Agenda Item 69)

BID OPENING DATE: June 3, 2008

#### **BID SUMMARY:**

Low	Ortiz Asphalt Paving, Inc., a corporation P.O. Box 883 Colton, California 92342 (909) 386-1200	\$2,953,709.23
2 3 4 5 6 7	Sequel Contractors, Inc. All American Asphalt Sully-Miller Contracting Company Beador Construction Company, Inc. Griffith Company Alliance Streetworks, Inc.	\$2,960,416.30 \$2,997,732.57 \$3,028,950.35 \$3,271,276.50 \$3,422,721.25 \$3,424,472.81
8 Palp, Inc.  FINANCIAL INFORMATION:  Amount of estimate Amount of recommended contract Amount of recommended contract below estimate		\$3,465,190.00 \$3,323,123.75 \$2,953,709.23 \$ 369,414.52

The amount of the recommended contract is 11 percent below the estimate.

A small portion of this project is within the City of Hawthorne. The City of Hawthorne will finance its jurisdictional share of the project costs estimated to be \$1,000 under a service request. A grant was also received for Rubberized Asphalt Concrete from the California Integrated Waste Management Board in the amount of \$18,900 to be used toward the cost of the pavement work.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

# MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES DATA:

Ortiz Asphalt Paving, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

On March 4, 2008, Agenda Item 34, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

#### **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 180 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in August 2008 and be completed in May 2009.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014998/C.P. NO. 87003 - SAN GABRIEL RIVER BIKE TRAIL DEL AMO BOULEVARD TUNNEL REALIGNMENT - PHASE I (City of Cerritos), Supervisorial District 4

<u>TYPE OF WORK</u>: Construction of AC pavement on base material, AC curb, reinforced concrete retaining walls, air-placed concrete and chainlink fence; Installation of striping and pavement markings; and other appurtenant work.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: May 6, 2008 (Agenda Item 66)

BID OPENING DATE: June 3, 2008

#### **BID SUMMARY:**

Amount of estimate

Amount of recommended contract

Amount of recommended contract below estimate

Low	*Kormx, Inc., a corporation 19314 Avenida Del Sol Walnut, California 91789 (626) 512-4146	\$222,304.75
2	Alliance Streetworks, Inc. *Sol Construction, Inc.	\$224,182.00 \$225,221.00
4	Kaveh Engineering & Construction	\$229,590.00
5	G.B. Cooke, Inc.	\$234,974.00
6	*Y & M Construction, Inc.	\$237,665.00
7	Abbott Contracting & Engineering, Inc.	\$237,743.00
8	*Choong Gil Construction, Inc.	\$237,758.00
9	MG Enterprises	\$243,781.00
10	Southland Construction	\$252,550.00
11	Shawnan	\$257,430.70
12	Sequel Contractors, Inc.	\$263,655.00
13	Beador Construction Company, Inc.	\$286,300.00
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\$272,510.00

\$222,304.75

\$ 50,205.25

The amount of the recommended contract is 18 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient appropriation to fund the project construction is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget under C.P. No. 87003.

#### MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Kormx, Inc., has two MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, yielding a proposed DBE participation of 9.5 percent.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

On May 6, 2008, Agenda Item 66, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

# **CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:**

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated the work will start in October and be completed in November 2008.

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