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February 24, 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:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes for the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000170 - Hollyhills Drain, Unit 7, Cities of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood (3), Mike Bubalo Construction Co., in amount of \$26,000.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000317 - Project No. 3650, Lines D, E, and F, City of Glendale (5), W. A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc., in amount of \$71,536.16.

Project ID No. FCC0000781 - Los Angeles River "Ernie's Walk," vicinity of Sherman Oaks (3), New Image Landscaping, Inc., in amount of \$35,306.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000783 - Dominguez Gap Barrier Project, Phase 4A, Unit 7B, Part 2B, Cities of Carson, Long Beach, and Los Angeles (2 and 4), Mladen Buntich Construction Company, Inc., in amount of \$210,619.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000872 - Project No. 5241 Low Flow Diversion at Westchester, City of Los Angeles (4), Clarke Contracting Corporation, in amount of \$15,652.61.

Project ID No. FMD0003050 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2003/2004 - Priority A and B Catch Basins, at various locations in Los Angeles County (All), Ron's Maintenance, in amount of \$31,800.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of my delegated limits which are required to complete Project ID Nos. FCC0000170, FCC0000317, FCC0000781, FCC0000783, FCC0000872, and FMD0003050.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of these changes in work, which are necessary to satisfactorily complete the projects, is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since the improved infrastructure will better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts range from \$15,652.61 to \$210,619.00.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. 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 the subject 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 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 provides 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 are based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

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CONCLUSION

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000170, HOLLYHILLS DRAIN, UNIT 7 (Cities of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood), Supervisorial District 3,
Contractor: Mike Bubalo Construction Co.

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain.

Change in Work:

Realign a Portion of the Storm Drain \$26,000.00

Description of Change:

Due to conflicting utilities, it will be necessary to realign a portion of the storm drain on Doheny Road near Sierra Place. The contractor must be compensated for the extra work resulting from this change. The cost for this work will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Three additional working days will be required because of this change.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$6,998,871.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	349,488.94
Change in work to be authorized	<u>26,000.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$7,374,359.94</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000317, PROJECT NO. 3650, LINES D, E, AND F
(City of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5,
Contractor: W. A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of approximately 4,200 feet of reinforced concrete pipe within Lexington Avenue, Wilson Avenue, and Harvard Street in the City of Glendale.

Changes in Work:

(1) Removal of Existing Drainage Structure	\$ 1,412.76
(2) Delays and Additional Work due to Interfering Utilities	57,223.40
(3) Perform Exploratory Excavations	<u>12,900.00</u>
Total	<u>\$71,536.16</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The contractor encountered a drainage structure not shown on the plans. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for its removal and disposal.

(2) Several utility lines not shown correctly on the plans were encountered. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the delays and extra work to modify either the utility or storm drain alignment. The utility companies will be billed for the additional cost.

(3) It will be necessary to locate existing utilities at various locations prior to excavation. This work is not shown on the plans.

The cost for Item 1 and a portion of the cost for Item 2 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost for Item 2 and a portion of the cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost for Item 3 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

Forty-two additional working days will be required because of these changes and due to a holiday shopping moratorium enforced by the City of Glendale.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$854,803.59
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>71,536.16</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$926,339.75</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000781, LOS ANGELES RIVER "ERNIE'S WALK"
(in the vicinity of Sherman Oaks), Supervisorial District 3,
Contractor: New Image Landscaping, Inc.

Project Description:

Hardscape, fencing, planting, and irrigation.

Changes in Work:

(1) Tree Removal	\$ 6,800.00
(2) Additional Tree Pruning	3,000.00
(3) City Street Damage Restoration Fee	136.00
(4) Remove Metal Stakes	2,400.00
(5) Relocate Guy Wire	1,500.00
(6) Repair Sloped Planting Areas	4,500.00
(7) Construct Additional Concrete Steps	4,500.00
(8) Construct Retaining Wall	10,600.00
(9) Change Electrical Enclosure Pedestal	<u>1,870.00</u>
Total	<u>\$35,306.00</u>

Description of Changes:

- (1) It will be necessary to remove 17 additional trees that were not shown on the plans.
- (2) To meet the intent of the design, it will be necessary to prune seven additional trees that are to remain on site. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (3) It will be necessary to reimburse the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power for the street damage restoration fee required to install a new irrigation water meter.
- (4) It will be necessary to remove metal stakes from 28 mature trees on site. This work was not shown on the plans.

(5) In order to build a pedestrian ramp in accordance with the plan, it will be necessary to relocate power pole guy wire. This work is not shown on the plans.

(6) In order to create a uniform grade for the new irrigation lines and plants, it will be necessary to smooth the sloped planting areas. These locations were obscured by underbrush at the beginning of the project; therefore, this work is not shown on the plans.

(7) To eliminate a steep grade at the end of the concrete stairway near Cedros Avenue, it will be necessary to add additional steps at the bottom of the stairway. This work is not shown on the plans.

(8) In order to protect a pedestrian access ramp, it will be necessary to construct a retaining wall along the sloped area. This work is not shown on the plans.

(9) To meet the requirements of the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, it will be necessary to change the enclosure pedestal specified for the irrigation system. The contractor must be compensated for the cost of the new pedestal.

The cost for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 3, and 9 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 4 through 8 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Twenty-two additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$545,392.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>33,606.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$578,998.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000783, DOMINGUEZ GAP BARRIER PROJECT, PHASE 4A, UNIT 7B, PART 2B (Cities of Carson, Long Beach, and Los Angeles),
Supervisory Districts 2 and 4, Contractor: Mladen Buntich Construction Company, Inc.

Project Description:

Construction of a water supply system, a compressed air system, a microfiltration treatment system, and an electrical system to service 34 injection wells currently under construction. The injection wells are an extension of the Dominguez Gap Barrier Project, which prevents the infiltration of seawater into groundwater aquifers.

Changes in Work:

(1) Revise Grade for Waterline	\$ 3,500.00
(2) Reinstall Drain Line	1,200.00
(3) Additional Welding	2,000.00
(4) Modify Vaults	118,653.00
(5) Modify Flow Meters and Injection Control Valves	<u>85,266.00</u>
Total	<u>\$210,619.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) In order to avoid an existing sanitary sewer line, it will be necessary to revise the grade of the new 24" waterline. The contractor is entitled to compensation for the additional cost.

(2) An existing 10" concrete drain line interferes with the placement of a new manhole and must be relocated. This work is not shown on the plans.

(3) In order to avoid an existing 3" gas line, additional welding will be necessary to change the alignment of a new 6" waterline. This work is not shown on the plans.

(4) In order to make the pressure relief valves and flow meter more serviceable in the future, it will be necessary to change the size and location of several vaults. The cost for this work includes additional telemetry and fiber optic cable, asbestos pipe removal, and site restoration.

(5) To enhance the operation of the barrier system, it will be necessary to replace the proposed 120-volt AC flow meters with 24-volt DC flow meters in the recharge well vaults. Also, in order for the injection control valves to function properly, it will be necessary to install signal output devices in each of the recharge well's electrical panels. This work is not shown on the plans.

The costs for Items 1, 2, 3, and a portion of the cost of Item 5 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost of Item 5 and a portion of the cost of Item 4 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost of Item 4 will be based on contract unit prices.

Sixteen additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$11,845,221.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	411,435.21
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>210,619.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$12,467,275.21</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000872, PROJECT NO. 5241 LOW FLOW DIVERSION AT WESTCHESTER (City of Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 4,
Contractor: Clarke Contracting Corporation

Project Description:

Construction of a low flow diversion weir in an existing reinforced concrete box; reinforced concrete stormwater/sediment separator; and reinforced concrete sump, with pumps, control system, and discharge pipes.

Changes in Work:

(1) Change Pump and Trash Well Hatches	\$12,511.07
(2) Reimbursement for City of Los Angeles Sewer Permit	2,073.19
(3) Upgrade Stainless Steel Lifting Cable and Guide Rail Pipe	<u>1,068.35</u>
Total	<u>\$15,652.61</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) To meet the intent of the design, it will be necessary to provide stronger hatches on the covers for the pump well. The amount shown reflects the difference between the new hatches and those specified on the plans.

(2) As stated in the contract specifications, it will be necessary to reimburse the contractor for the City of Los Angeles sewer permit fee.

(3) To meet the intent of the design, it will be necessary to upgrade all stainless steel lifting cables and guide rails. This amount shown is the difference in cost between the upgraded parts and those called for on the plans.

The costs for Items 1 and 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The costs for Item 2 will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$329,570.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>15,652.61</u>
Revised contract amount	<u><u>\$345,222.61</u></u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003050, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2003/2004 - PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASINS (at various locations in Los Angeles County),
All Supervisorial Districts, Contractor: Ron's Maintenance

Project Description:

Cleanout of catch basins during the wet season.

Change in Work:

Clean Participating City Catch Basins \$31,800.00

Description of Change:

The original contract amount is based on the number of County-owned catch basins to be cleaned. The increase in contract price represents the cost to clean catch basins owned by participating cities. Each participating city will reimburse the County for their portion of the cost of this work. The cost for this work will be based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days will be required because of this change.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$36,530.25
Change in work to be authorized	<u>31,800.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$68,330.25</u>

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