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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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January 12, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012 **ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

42 JANUARY 12, 2010

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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
CONSTRUCTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FENCE
FENCE INSTALLATION AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS
ADJACENT TO UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF EAST SAN GABRIEL,
FLORENCE, AND WILLOWBROOK
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 5)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the project for the construction of fencing along Union Pacific Railroad right of way in the unincorporated communities of East San Gabriel, Florence, and Willowbrook; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a contract with a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid.

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications for Fence Installation at Various Locations Adjacent to Union Pacific Railroad Right of Way, construction of right-of-way fence, in the unincorporated communities of Florence, Willowbrook, and East San Gabriel, at an estimated cost between \$1,000,000 and \$1,900,000.
- 2. Call for bids to be received on February 9, 2010.
- 3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project and seal and return the plans and specifications to the Department of Public Works for filing.
- 4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a contract with a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval to adopt and advertise for bids and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a contract with a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the construction of fence along Union Pacific Railroad right of way and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help meet these goals by providing improved safety facilities for pedestrians and help reduce dumping of rubbish, which will benefit the community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$1,000,000 to \$1,900,000. The Department of Public Works (Public Works) has received a Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Grant in the amount of \$750,000 made available by the California Integrated Waste Management Board to be used toward the construction cost. The remaining construction contract cost will be financed with Proposition A Local Return Transit funds. This project is included in the First (43.12 percent), Second (55.38 percent), and Fifth (1.5 percent) Supervisorial Districts' Proposition A Local Return Transit Programs included in the Fiscal Year 2009 -10 Transit Enterprise Fund Budget.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project, to contract for the construction of fencing along Union Pacific Railroad right of way, is part of Public Works' program for the construction and repair of safety items and protective measures. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 80 working days. It is estimated the work will start in April 2010 and be completed in August 2010.

Delegating to the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to obtain a contractor for this project.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) 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, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; 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 a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, 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 that the contract is awarded to a 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 the contractor will be considered before making a 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.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On August 29, 2006, Agenda Item 52, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open competitive bid basis. The award by the Director or her designee will be made after review of the bids and determination of the lowest responsive bid and responsible contractor meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved safety facilities for pedestrians and reduced dumping of rubbish, which will benefit the community.

CONCLUSION

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

Respectfully submitted,

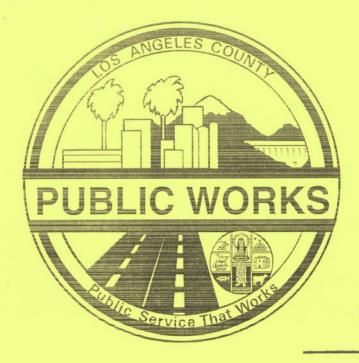
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NOTICE INVITING BIDS,

SPECIAL PROVISIONS,

AND

SAMPLE AGREEMENT

FOR

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014981

FENCE INSTALLATION AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



ADJACENT TO UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY

Approved, GAIL FARBER, Director of Public Works

Deputy Director