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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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

65 September 10, 2024

Edward Yen
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
PROJECT ID NO. TRN000024
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
ADVERTISING BUS SHELTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PHASE 1)
IN VARIOUS UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES COUNTYWIDE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to adopt plans and specifications, advertise for construction bids, and award and execute a construction contract for the Advertising Bus Shelter Replacement Project (Phase 1) in various unincorporated communities Countywide.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the project.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file with Public Works Project Management Division III for the Advertising Bus Shelter Replacement Project (Phase 1) at an estimated construction contract cost between \$1,900,000 and \$2,800,000.
3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement that are to be received before 11 a.m. on October 8, 2024, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not responsive, to determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid.
5. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the Advertising Bus Shelter Replacement Project (Phase 1) with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$1,900,000 and \$2,800,000, or that exceeds the estimated cost range by no more than 15 percent, if additional funds have been identified.
6. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or his designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (a) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (b) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in State Public Contract Code, Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; (c) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works or his designee under State Public Contract Code Section 20395; (d) accept the project upon its final completion; and (e) make required findings and release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of State Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the project and related actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow Public Works to construct bus stop improvements to improve access and community connectivity throughout Los Angeles County.

The project involves replacing aging transportation infrastructure, encompassing the installation of solar/hardwired bus shelters, bus benches, bicycle racks, and concrete removal and replacement for approximately 40 bus stops in various unincorporated communities Countywide.

This project would enhance public transportation conditions, facilitating easier access and promoting increased utilization of public transit. Residents relying on public transportation will benefit from upgraded amenities, fostering a more efficient and sustainable mode of transit, with the overall goal of reducing individual vehicle usage.

It is anticipated the work will start in the first quarter of 2025 and be completed in the second quarter of 2025.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal F, Flexible and Efficient Infrastructure, Strategy ii, Modernize Infrastructure, by replacing and improving public infrastructure assets that support the quality of life of Los Angeles County residents.

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 \$1,900,000 and \$2,800,000 with a maximum construction contract cost to be 15 percent above this range. The total project cost is estimated to be \$3,400,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the costs of preparation of plans and specifications, environmental clearance, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The project construction would be administered utilizing \$420,000 of the California State of Good Repair Program Funds allocated to the County under the Road Repair Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1).

Funding for this project is included in the allocation of each Supervisorial District's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program in the Transit Operations Fund (CP6 - Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget. Funding for future years will be requested through the annual budget process.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

The contract award will comply with applicable Federal and State requirements and Board policies and mandates. The contract documents will require the contractor to comply with these same requirements, policies, and mandates. The construction contract will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

As required by Board Policy No. 5.140, information, such as defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractors State License Board, labor violations, and debarment actions will be considered before a contract is awarded.

Documents related to award of this contract will be available at Los Angeles County Public Works, Project Management Division III, 900 South Fremont Avenue, 8th Floor, Alhambra, CA 91803.

In accordance with Board Policy 5.270, Countywide Local and Targeted Worker Hiring, the project will require that at least 30 percent of the California construction labor hours be performed by qualified Local Residents and at least 10 percent be performed by Targeted Workers facing employment barriers. The project will also include a jobs coordinator who will facilitate the implementation of the targeted hiring requirement of the policy.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA. The project, to replace existing bus shelters and install new bus shelters, as well as to add bus benches and bicycle racks, and perform concrete removal and replacement work on existing roadways, is within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 (c); 15302; and 15303 (e) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 (x) Subsections 14 and 22; Class 2 (a); and Class 3 (b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, which apply to minor alteration of an existing public facility and installation

of equipment. In addition, based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and there are no cumulative impacts; unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways; listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code, Section 65962.5; or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended actions, Public Works will file a Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and with the State Clearinghouse at the Office of Planning and Research in accordance with Section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code and will post the notice to the County's website in accordance with Section 21092.2.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

In accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, the contract documents will include a best-efforts goal that at least 30 percent of the total California craft worker hours for construction of the project be performed by Local Residents. The "Targeted Worker" component will not be included as part of the project.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Los Angeles County" and "Do Business with Public Works" websites for open bids:

<https://lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-la-county/>

<http://pw.lacounty.gov/general/contracts/opportunities>

In addition, in order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be offering preferences to Local Small Business Enterprises, Social Enterprises, and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapters 2.204, 2.205, and 2.211.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by addressing the aging infrastructure of 40 bus stops in various unincorporated communities Countywide. The installation of modern amenities, such as solar/hardwired bus shelters, bus benches, and bicycle racks, will enhance public transportation conditions. This improvement aims to facilitate easier access and promote increased utilization of public transit, benefiting residents who rely on these services. The strategic replacement and installation of bus shelters aligns with the broader goal of fostering a more efficient and sustainable transit system, contributing to the reduction of individual vehicle usage in the County.

CONCLUSION

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Project Management Division III.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Chia-Ann Yen)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

ADVERTISING BUS SHELTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PHASE 1)
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