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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

September 29, 2026

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

Dear Supervisors:

WATER RESOURCES CORE SERVICE AREA
AWARD OF SERVICE CONTRACT
ON-CALL AIR RELEASE VALVE INSTALLATION
AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3-VOTES)

SUBJECT

Public Works is seeking Board approval to award a service contract to W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc. for on-call air release valve installation and maintenance services throughout the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICTS:

1. Find that the contract work is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter.

2. Award and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute a contract with W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc. This contract will be for a period of 1 year with four 1-year renewal options and a month-to-month extension up to 6 months for a maximum potential contract term of 66 months and a maximum potential contract sum of $3,343,121. This contract will be subject to the additional extension provisions specified below.

3. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to renew the contract for each additional renewal option and extension period if, in the opinion of the Director of Public Works or his designee, W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc. has successfully performed during the previous

contract period, and the services are still required. Also, authorize the Director to approve and execute amendments to incorporate necessary changes within the scope of work, and to suspend and/or terminate the contract for convenience if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to authorize additional services and extend the contract expiration date as necessary to complete those additional services when those additional services are (1) previously unforeseen, (2) related to a previously assigned scope of work on a given work order, and (3) are necessary for the completion of that given work order.

5. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to annually increase the contract amount up to an additional 10 percent of the annual contract sum, which is included in the maximum potential contract sum for unforeseen additional work within the scope of the contract if required, and to adjust the annual contract sum for each option year over the term of the contract to allow for an annual cost-of-living adjustment in accordance with County policy and the terms of the contract.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to award a contract to provide on-call and intermittent air release valve installation and maintenance services throughout the County. The work to be performed will consist of installing, maintaining, and repairing air release valves throughout County-operated water distribution systems. These services are essential to prevent air accumulation in pipelines, maintain system operating efficiency, and reduce the risk of pressure-related issues.

This is a new service. Installation and maintenance was previously provided through a purchase order, as this is a specialized service and Public Works employees did not perform these services. Due to the need for maintenance on an on-call basis, this contract will expedite repairs and provide the flexibility required to maintain reliable water delivery. This service contract will ensure continuous system performance and help safeguard service reliability for the communities served by the County.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 2, Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities, Focus Area Goal D, Sustainability, Strategy iv, Environmental Justice, by facilitating water infrastructure maintenance and help ensure critical public water services that support the quality of life for County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The annual cost is $552,582 plus 10 percent of the annual contract sum for unforeseen additional work within the scope of the contract and cost-of-living adjustments. The contract's initial term will be for 1 year, commencing upon the Board's approval and final execution by both parties. The County will have the sole option to renew this contract term with four additional 1-year renewal options and a month-to-month extension up to 6 months for a maximum potential contract term of 66 months with an estimated maximum potential contract sum of $3,343,121. This amount is based on the hourly rates quoted by the contractor and Public Works' estimated annual utilization of the contractor's services. Any unused authorized amounts up to 25 percent from the previous contract terms will be applied to subsequent renewal terms. The County may also authorize an extension of time to the

contract's maximum potential term, not-to-exceed 180 days with no additional funding. Adjustments will be made to the annual contract's sum for each option year over the term of the contract to allow for an annual cost of living adjustment in accordance with County policy and the terms of the contracts.

Funding for the initial term is available in the Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts and the Marina del Rey Water System General Funds and the Internal Service Fund (B04 - Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budgets. Funding to finance the contract's optional years and 10 percent additional funding for contingencies will be requested through the annual budget process.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County Counsel has reviewed the contract as to form, which is substantially similar to the enclosed draft Agreement (Enclosure A). The recommended contract with W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc. was solicited on an open-competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The expiration of the contract is subject to the following conditions: Where services for a given project have been authorized in writing by the County but are not completed by the contractor prior to the stated expiration date, the expiration date will be extended solely to allow for the completion of such services.

A standard service contract was used that contains terms and conditions in compliance with the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs. Enclosure B reflects the proposer's utilization participation and Community Business Enterprise program information, including identification of their status as minority, women, disadvantaged, disabled-veteran, and LGBTQ+ business enterprises, which were submitted in their proposals. Data regarding the proposer's minority participation is on file with Public Works. The contractor was selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This service is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. This service is to install, maintain, and repair air release valves within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Section 15301 of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 15, 2025, a notice of the Request for Proposals (RFP) was placed on the County's "Doing Business with Los Angeles County" website (Enclosure C), "Do Business With Public Works" website, and X (formerly Twitter). In addition, advertisements were placed in the Los Angeles Daily Journal, Los Angeles Sentinel, La Opinión, The Daily Breeze, The Signal (Santa Clarita), World Journal, Daily Commerce, The Malibu Times, Press Telegram, and Pasadena Star News. Also, Public Works informed 1,756 Local Small Business Enterprises, 186 Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises, 161 Social Enterprises, 1,031 Community Business Enterprises, and 1,385 Community-Based Organizations. Additionally, the Department of Economic Opportunity conducted a focused outreach and informed 108 related businesses about this business opportunity. Twenty firms downloaded the RFP.

On May 14, 2025, one proposal was received. This proposal was evaluated by an evaluation

committee consisting of three Public Works staff. The evaluation was based on criteria described in the RFP, which included price, experience, work plan, and references utilizing the informed averaging methodology for applicable criteria. Based on this evaluation, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to the apparent responsive and responsible proposer, R.W. Rasic Construction Company, Inc. Public Works notified the applicable union (Building Trades) of this solicitation.

Public Works has accessed available resources to review and assess the proposed contractor's past performance, history of Labor Law violations, and prior performance on County contracts. In addition, the contractor understands and agrees that the contracted work involves Public Works as defined by Section 1720 of the California Labor Code. The contractor represents and warrants that they will perform the contracted work in full compliance with the applicable provisions of the California Labor Code relating to payment of prevailing wages.

This contract includes a cost-of-living adjustment provision, which is in accordance with Board Policy 5.070, Multi-Year Services Contract Cost-of-Living Adjustments.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The award of this contract will continue the services without disruption to the public and will not result in the displacement of any County employees as this service is presently performed through the private sector and will continue thereby.

CONCLUSION

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

Respectfully submitted,

MARK PESTRELLA, PE
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias, Cynthia Zapata)
County Counsel
Economic Opportunity
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
Internal Services (Contract Division)

AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL AIR RELEASE VALVE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2026, by and between the LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as DISTRICT) and [Name of CONTRACTOR], a [State of Incorporation] [Form of Entity], located at [Full Address of the Contractor], (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR). DISTRICT and CONTRACTOR are each a Party and collectively referred to as the Parties.

WITNESSETH

FIRST: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the Board of Supervisors (Board) of said DISTRICT of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the DISTRICT on May 14, 2025, hereby agrees to provide services as described in this Contract for On-Call Air Release Valve Installation and Maintenance Services.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit A.1, Schedule of Prices; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; Exhibit E, Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; Exhibit F, Performance Requirements Summary; and Exhibit G, Waterworks District Map; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Notice to Proposers to the Request for Proposals, all of which are incorporated herein by reference, are agreed by the DISTRICT and the CONTRACTOR to constitute the Contract.

THIRD: The DISTRICT agrees, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works, to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal and attached hereto as Form PW-2, an amount not to exceed $552,582 per year, or such greater amount as the Board may approve (Maximum Contract Sum). Any unused authorized amounts up to 25 percent from the previous contract terms will be applied to subsequent renewal terms.

FOURTH: This Contract's initial term will be for a period of 1 year commencing upon the Board's approval and final execution of this Agreement by both Parties. The DISTRICT will have the sole option to renew this Contract term for up to four additional 1-year periods and 6 month-to-month extensions for a maximum total Contract term of 5 years and 6 months. Each such option will be exercised at the sole discretion of the DISTRICT. The DISTRICT, acting through the Director, may give a written notice of intent to renew this Contract at least 10 days prior to the end of each term. At the sole discretion of the DISTRICT, in lieu of renewing the Contract for the full 1 year, this Contract may be renewed on a month-to-month basis, upon written notice to the CONTRACTOR at least

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10 days prior to the end of a term. Further, in accordance with Section 2.A.3 of Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements, the DISTRICT may, at its sole discretion, authorize extensions of time to the Contract's term, to the extent that extensions of time for Contractor performance do not impact either scope or amount of this Contract, provided the aggregate of all such extensions during the life of this Contract will not exceed 180 days. The Director will provide a written notice of nonrenewal at least 10 days before the last day of any term, in which case this Contract will expire as of midnight on the last day of that term. Where all option years have been exercised, the Director will not provide a written notice of nonrenewal. If the District authorizes the Contractor in writing to perform services on a given project prior to the stated expiration date, but thereafter such services are not completed by the stated expiration date, then the expiration of the Contract shall be automatically extended solely to allow for the completion of such services. District may authorize unforeseen additional services and extend the contract expiration date as necessary to complete those services when the unforeseen additional services are directly related to the initial scope of work and are necessary for the completion of a given project.

FIFTH: The CONTRACTOR will bill monthly, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed will be billed at the hourly rates and/or unit prices quoted in Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices.

SIXTH: Public Works will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt and approval of a properly completed and undisputed invoice. However, should the CONTRACTOR be certified by the DISTRICT as a Local Small Business Enterprise, payment will be made in accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy No. 3.035, Small Business Liaison and Prompt Payment Program. Each invoice must be in triplicate (original and two copies) and must itemize the work completed. The invoices must be submitted to:

Los Angeles County Public Works
Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable
P.O. Box 7508
Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

SEVENTH: In no event will the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

EIGHTH: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

NINTH: If requested by the Contractor prior to the renewal of a contract option year, the contract amount (hourly, daily, monthly, etc.) for the additional option year periods identified in the fifth paragraph may, at the sole discretion of the District, be

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increased at the time of contract renewal, if exercised by the District, based on the most recently published percentage change in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim area for the 12-month period preceding the renewal date, which will be the effective date for any cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). However, any increase must not exceed the general salary movement granted to County employees as determined by the Chief Executive Officer as of each July 1 for the prior 12 -month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in County employee salaries, no COLA will be granted. Before any COLA increase will take effect and become part of the contract, it will require a written amendment to the contract first, that has been formally approved and executed by the parties. To request a COLA, Contractor must submit a written request along with appropriate justification to the Contract Analyst 60 days prior to "the contract renewal date" or "exercising the additional option year periods" identified in the fifth paragraph. Upon approval of COLA, a notification will be sent to the Contractor.

TENTH: In the event that terms and conditions, which may be listed in the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, conflict with the DISTRICT'S specifications, requirements, and terms and conditions as reflected in this AGREEMENT including, but not limited to, Exhibits A through G, inclusive, the DISTRICT'S provisions will control and be binding.

ELEVENTH: The CONTRACTOR agrees in strict accordance with the Contract specifications and conditions to meet the DISTRICT'S requirements.

TWELVETH: Advertising and Other External Communications About the Project/Contract. Consultant/Contractor shall obtain the District's prior written approval before disclosing or communicating any information concerning the award of the contract, the progress of the work, or the completion of the work, to any non-party, including but not limited to outside media and news organizations. This requirement includes, but is not limited to: (1) a Consultant/Contractor's, application for an award or any other recognition of the Project/Contract; and (2) any advertising or promotion of the Project/Contract and/or the Consultant/Contractor's role on the project. The District retains the sole discretion as to the release of such information, including the right to deny the request for disclosure, the right to direct the timing of the disclosure, and/or the right to direct Consultant/Contractor to make revisions to the information prior to disclosure.

THIRTEENTH: This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the DISTRICT and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings. This CONTRACT may be signed by the Parties hereto in separate counterparts, including both counterparts that are executed on paper and counterparts that are in the form of electronic signatures. Electronic signatures include facsimile or e-mail electronic signatures. Each executed counterpart will be deemed an original. All counterparts, taken together, constitute the executed Agreement.

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The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that electronic records and electronic signatures, as well as facsimile signatures, used in connection with the execution of this Agreement and electronic signatures, facsimile signatures or signatures transmitted by electronic mail in so-called pdf format will be legal and binding and will have the same full force and effect as if a paper original of this Agreement had been delivered and had been signed using a handwritten signature. Contractor and District (i) agree that an electronic signature, whether digital or encrypted, of a Party to this Agreement is intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as a manual signature, (ii) intend to be bound by the signatures (whether original, faxed, or electronic) on any document sent or delivered by facsimile, or electronic mail, or other electronic means, (iii) are aware that the other Party will rely on such signatures, and (iv) hereby waive any defenses to the enforcement of the terms of this Agreement based on the foregoing forms of signature. If this Agreement has been executed by electronic signature, all Parties executing this document are expressly consenting under the United States Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act of 2000 (E-SIGN) and California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA)(Cal. Civ. Code § 1633.1, et seq.), that a signature by fax, e-mail, or other electronic means will constitute an Electronic Signature to an Electronic Record under both E-SIGN and UETA with respect to this specific transaction.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the DISTRICT has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
WATERWORKS DISTRICT
A body corporate and politic

By_____
Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAWYN R. HARRISON
County Counsel

By_____
Steve Watson
Senior Deputy County Counsel

W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc.

By _____
Its President

_____
Type/Print Name

By _____
Its Secretary

_____
Type/Print Name

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PROPOSER'S UTILIZATION PARTICIPATION AND COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR ON-CALL AIR RELEASE VALVE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES

SELECTED FIRM

	Proposer Name (**Prime** with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	**Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)**	**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)**	**Minority**	**Women-Owned**	**Disadvantaged Business**	**Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise**	**Social Enterprise**	**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning-Owned Business Enterprise**
1	**W. A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc.**	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	Tom Grbavac & Sons, Inc.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	Strive Concrete Cutting, Inc.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	Koppi Pipeline Services, Inc.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	Mission Paving and Sealing, Inc.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	Western Paving Contractors, Inc.	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
	SoCal Industries, LLC	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

*Information provided by proposers in response to the Request for Proposal. On final analysis and consideration of award, vendors were selected without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

NONSELECTED FIRM

	Proposer Name (**Prime** with subcontractors* listed below) *only subcontractors with Utilization Participation are listed.	**Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE)**	**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)**	**Minority**	**Women-Owned**	**Disadvantaged Business**	**Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise**	**Social Enterprise**	**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning-Owned Business Enterprise**
	None								

FIRM INFORMATION*	W. A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc.
BUSINESS STRUCTURE	Corporation

CULTURAL/ETHNIC COMPOSITION		
OWNERS/PARTNERS	Black/African American	
	Hispanic/Latino	
	Asian or Pacific Islander	
	Native American	
	Subcontinent Asian	
	White	3/100%
	Female (included above)	
		NUMBER
MANAGER	Black/African American	
	Hispanic/Latino	
	Asian or Pacific Islander	
	Native American	
	Subcontinent Asian	
	White	
	Female (included above)	
STAFF	Black/African American	
	Hispanic/Latino	
	Asian or Pacific Islander	
	Native American	
	Subcontinent Asian	
	White	
	Female (included above)	
Total No. of Employees		515

COUNTY CERTIFICATION	
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OTHER CERTIFYING AGENCY	

*Information provided by proposer in response to the Request for Proposal. On final analysis and consideration of award, vendors were selected without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

Solicitation Information

Solicitation Number:	BRC000566		
Title:	On-Call Air Release Valve Installation and Maintenance Services		
Department:	Public Works		
Bid Type:	Service	**Bid Amount:**	$604,558.00
Commodity:	FILTERS, AIR GAUGES AND VALVES, PRESSURE REGULATORS, SHOCK M		
Description:	Air Valve installation, inspection, replacement and maintenance. Please visit Public Works website at https://dpw.lacounty.gov/contracts/asd_rfp/ProjectDetail.aspx?project_id=BRC0000566 to download the Request for Proposals (RFP) and other pertinent documents Less		
Open Day:	4/16/2025	**Closed Date:**	5/14/2025 5:30:00 PM
Contact Name:	Simon lee	**Contact Phone:**	(626) 458-2509
Contact Email:	simonlee@dpw.lacounty.gov		
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