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October 20, 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:

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA  
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
PROJECT ID NO. TDS0001709  
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAFETY PROJECT GROUP II  
IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY, TEMPLE CITY, AND THE  
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF  
ARCADIA, BASSET, SAN JOSE HILLS, AND VALINDA  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 5)  
(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 San Gabriel Valley Traffic Signal Safety Project Group II in the City of Industry, Temple City, and the unincorporated communities of Arcadia, Basset, San Jose Hills, and Valinda.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from 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 in Public Works' Project Management Division III for the San Gabriel Valley Traffic Signal Safety Project Group II with an estimated construction contract cost between \$1,700,000 and \$2,600,000.

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 November 24, 2026, 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 San Gabriel Valley Traffic Signal Safety Project Group II to the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$1,700,000 and \$2,600,000, 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 California Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (b) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in California 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 the requirements of California Public Contract Code, Section 20395; (d) accept the project upon its final completion; and (e) release retention money withheld consistent with California Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and to allow Public Works to construct traffic signal improvements at the intersections of Amar Road and Baldwin Park Boulevard, Santa Anita Avenue and Freer Street, and Temple Avenue and Azusa Avenue in the City of Industry, Temple City, and the unincorporated communities of Arcadia, Bassett, San Jose Hills, and Valinda (see Enclosure A).

The proposed project includes the installation and modification of traffic signals, bicycle and vehicle detection, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant access ramps, retaining walls, guardrails, sidewalks, and communication and other associated equipment.

Public Works conducted a major left-turn study of these intersections, and the study recommended implementing fully protected left-turn phasing at each intersection. The project will implement the fully protected left-turn phasing and incorporate other safety improvements.

Construction is anticipated to begin in October 2027 and be completed in May 2028.

#### **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 enhance the quality of life for County residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this proposed project is between \$1,700,000 and \$2,600,000, with a maximum construction contract cost up to 15 percent above this range. The total project cost is estimated to be \$4,015,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, survey, right-of-way and utility clearances, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, environmental mitigation, and other County services.

Portions of the proposed project are located within the City of Industry and Temple City. Both cities will finance their respective jurisdictional shares of the project cost, estimated at \$314,000 and \$340,000 respectively, under City Service Requests (see Enclosure B).

The project will be administered under the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program covered by Agreement No. 78542 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal-aid grant funds in the amount of \$1,460,640 will be used to finance a portion of the qualifying project costs.

The project will also be funded using State of California Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds allocated to the County under the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1). Funding for this project is included in the Road Fund (B03 - Capital Assets – Infrastructure and Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2026-27 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 California Public Contract Code.

California Public Contract Code, Section 20393, allows the Board to authorize the Director of Public Works, acting as the Road Commissioner, or his designee to publicly open bids and award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder. Change Orders will be approved and executed as permitted by California Public Contract Code, Section 20395.

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 as to form by County Counsel.

As required by Board Policy No. 5.140, Oversight of Construction Contractors, 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.

In accordance with Board Policy No. 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 requirements.

Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations requires that contracts receiving Federal funding be awarded to the lowest bidder; therefore, the County Local Small Business Enterprise preference will not be applied to this project.

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

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA. The project, to modify the existing traffic signal system, 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 categorical exemption Sections 15301 (c) and (g), 15302 (c), and 15303 of the CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 (k) and (x) Subsections 4, 7, 14, and 22 and Class 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. 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 California 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.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

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 LA County" and "Do Business with Public Works" websites for open bids:

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

<https://pw.lacounty.gov/contracts/opportunities>

Additionally, the contract solicitation will be advertised through web-based and social media platforms.

In order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be offering preference to Local Small Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Minor impacts to adjacent residents, businesses, and motorists may occur during construction. When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact on the community by improving traffic flow and enhancing safety for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

**CONCLUSION**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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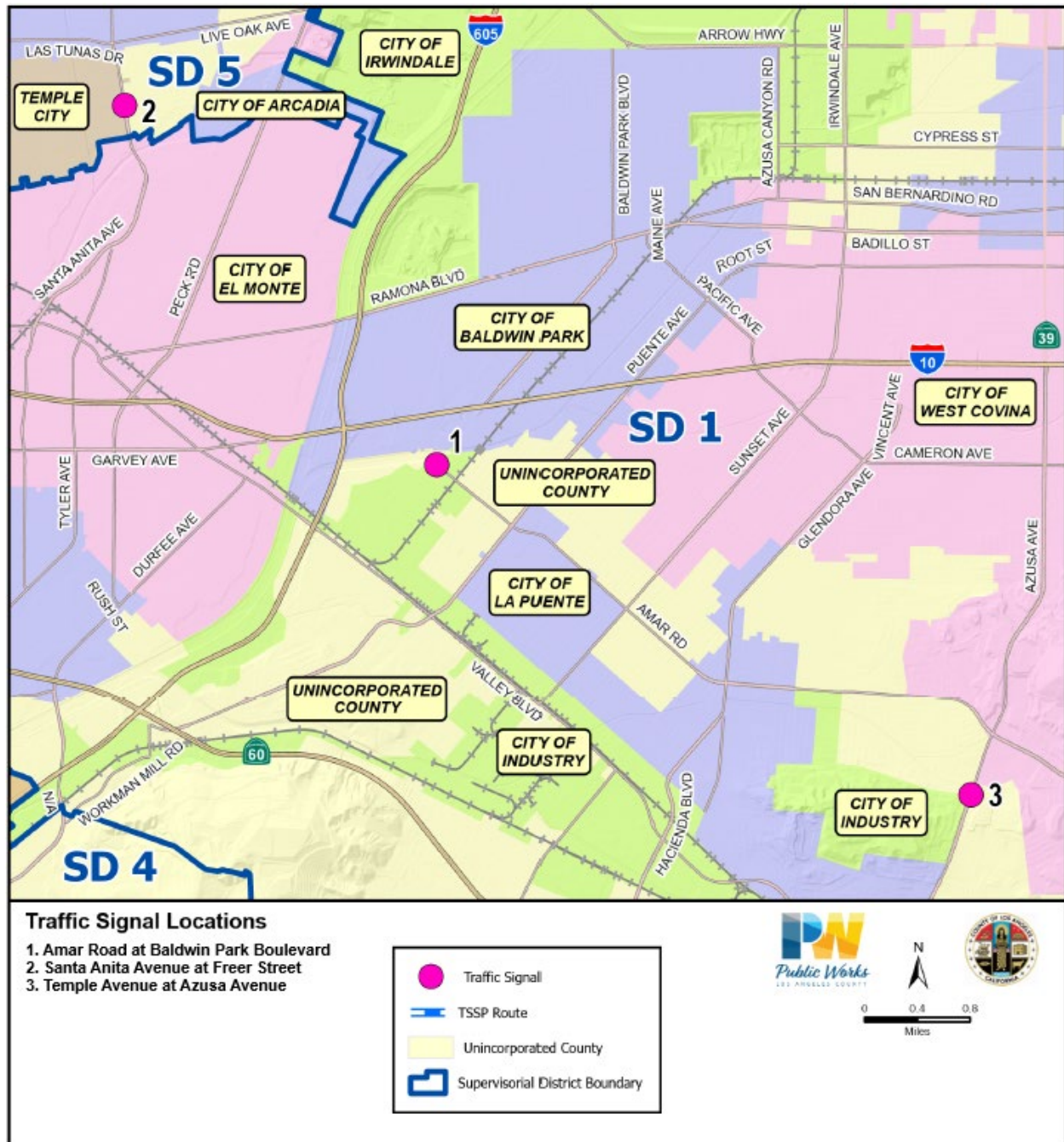
MARK PESTRELLA, PE  
Director

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Enclosures

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

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**ENCLOSURE B****SAN GABRIEL VALLEY TRAFFIC SIGNAL SAFETY PROJECT GROUP II  
PROJECT ID NO. TDS0001709****PROJECT FUNDING**

| Jurisdiction     | Project Cost       | Local Match      | Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program Grant | Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account Fund |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| County           | \$1,900,360        | --               | --                                               | \$1,900,360                                      |
| Federal          | \$1,460,640        | --               | \$1,460,640                                      | --                                               |
| City of Industry | \$314,000          | \$314,000        | --                                               | --                                               |
| Temple City      | \$340,000          | \$340,000        | --                                               | --                                               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>\$4,015,000</b> | <b>\$654,000</b> | <b>\$1,460,640</b>                               | <b>\$1,900,360</b>                               |