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June 3, 2025

Board of Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1

Subject: **Approval of, and Authorization for the Public Works Agency (PWA) Director to Execute, Professional Services Contract with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc. for Design & Engineering Services for the Well 99 Facility in a Contract Amount Not to Exceed \$812,542; and Authorization for the PWA Director to Amend the Contract Provided the Aggregate Cost of All Amendments Does Not Exceed \$81,254; Contract AE 25-032; Project No. 31814; Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 Moorpark; Supervisorial District No. 4. (Levine Act Item)**

Recommendations:

1. Approve, and authorize the Public Works Agency ("PWA") Director or designee to execute the professional services contract with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc. ("Kennedy/Jenks, Inc.") for the contract amount of \$812,542 attached hereto as Exhibit 4 ("Contract").
2. Authorize the PWA Director or designee to amend the Contract, so long as the cost of all such amendments does not exceed \$81,254 and they are reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

Fiscal Impact:

	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26 to FY2026-27
Revenues	\$0	\$0
Costs	\$0	\$812,542
Net Costs	\$0	\$812,542

Funding Source(s): Ventura County Waterworks District No.1

Funding Match Required: None

Sufficient appropriations are available in the FY 2025-26 preliminary budget and will be included in the FY 2026-27 requested budget.



Discussion:

Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 Moorpark (District), staffed by Public Works Agency-Water & Sanitation (PWA-WS) employees, intends to construct water infrastructure improvements in Moorpark.

Well 99's purpose is to replace Well 97. Well 97 was originally drilled as an irrigation well in 1947, then converted in 1974 to a potable well. Earliest sample records from 1976 show Well 97 produced 1,000 gallons per minute (gpm). By 2015, its production had declined to 100 gpm, one tenth of its original production. Due to age and deteriorating condition, the District destroyed Well 97 and abandoned its associated above-ground equipment.

Well 99, engineered by Hopkins Groundwater Consultants, Inc., was drilled on the same parcel as a replacement for Well 97, with a designed target capacity of 1,500 gpm. Well 99 was drilled in 2023-2024. The integration of Well 99 into the District's water infrastructure is anticipated to contribute an additional 800 acre-feet of potable water annually. This enhancement to the District's water supply is expected to bolster system redundancy and augment overall supply capacity, improving fire protection and reducing the District's reliance on costly imported water. To begin using the Well 99 groundwater, it is necessary to design and construct the required above-ground site infrastructure, treatment facility, including iron and manganese, and piping to connect to the District's existing potable water distribution system.

Accordingly, PWA-WS requests that your Board approve, and authorize the PWA Director or designee to execute the professional services contract with Kennedy/Jenks, Inc. for the contract amount of \$812,542, effective June 3, 2025. In addition, PWA-WS requests that your Board authorize the PWA Director to amend or modify the contract with Kennedy/Jenks, Inc., so long as the total cost of all such amendments or modifications does not exceed 10 percent of the original contract price.

Strategic Plan:

This item contributes to the Board of Supervisors (Board's) 2024-2027 strategic priority to provide:

- I. Healthy, safe, and resilient communities through.
 2. Maintaining high-performing public safety services.
 3. Promoting community resilience and strengthening our ability to withstand and recover from disaster or adversity.
- III. Reliable infrastructure and sustainability through



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1. Maintaining and improving dependable public resources to serve the needs of our diverse communities.

This item has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel.

If you have any questions concerning this item, please contact Terry Hanser at (805) 378-3022.

Sincerely,



Jeff Palmer
Assistant Director

Attachments:

- Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map
- Exhibit 2 – Location Map
- Exhibit 3 – Site Map
- Exhibit 4 - Professional Services Contract AE25-032

