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County of Ventura  
Board of Supervisors  
800 S. Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009

**Subject:** Rejection of Bids Opened on October 3, 2023 for the Airport Rotating Beacon Replacement Project at Camarillo Airport, Specification No. DOA 23-01, Project No. CMA-238; Authorization for the Director of Airports to Readvertise for Bids; Authorization for the Director of Airports to Furnish Contract Documents to Previous Purchasers Without Charge, If Appropriate; Supervisorial District No. 3

**Recommendations:**

1. Reject all bids received for the Airport Rotating Beacon Replacement Project at Camarillo Airport opened on October 3, 2023, Specification No. DOA 23-01, Project No. CMA-238;
2. Authorize the Director of Airports or designee to readvertise the project at a later date to be determined by the Director of Airports.
3. Authorize the Director of Airports or designee to distribute contract documents at no charge to all persons who purchased such documents for the previous advertisement, if appropriate.

**Fiscal/Mandates Impact:**

Mandatory: *No*

Source of funding: *Airport Enterprise Fund (AEF)*

Funding match required: *No*

Impact on other departments: *None*

<b><u>Summary of Revenue and Project Costs</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2023/24</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2024/25</u></b>
Revenue:	\$ 0	\$ 0
Direct Costs	297,589	0
Net Costs – Airport Enterprise Fund	<u>\$ 297,589</u>	<u>0</u>

**Current Fiscal Year Budget Projection:**

FY 2023-24 Budget Projection for Airports Capital Projects Division 5040 - Unit 5041*				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/ (Deficit)
Appropriations	\$19,566,851	\$28,782,666	\$28,782,666	\$0
Revenue	17,595,436	17,595,436	17,595,436	0
Net Cost	\$ 1,971,415	\$11,187,230	\$11,187,230	\$0

*Sufficient revenue and appropriations are available in the FY 23-24 capital budget.*

\*Includes interest and capital assets.

The estimated total fiscal impact, including all phases of design and construction, are as follows:

<u>Costs</u>	
Engineering & Environ./Design:	\$ 74,834
Construction**:	190,055
Construction Administration:	28,000
Project Administration:	4,700
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 297,589</u></b>
Cost to Airport Enterprise Fund	<u>\$ 297,589</u>

*\*\*This award of contract only references the construction contract.*

**Strategic Priority:**

This project supports the County's Strategic Priorities to support fiscal responsibility, economic vitality, reliable infrastructure, and sustainability.

**Discussion:**

The purpose of this project is to replace and relocate the airport rotating beacon at Camarillo Airport. The existing beacon at the Airport is currently located on top of the water tower near the Airport campus and needs to be relocated to allow for easier maintenance and access. Due to the age of the existing beacon, replacement of a new beacon at a new location is the preferred option.

One addendum was issued during the bidding period which confirmed the height and tip-down requirements of the beacon tower. Bid opening was on October 3, 2023. A copy of the bid abstract for the one bid received is attached (Exhibit 1). The bid has been reviewed and is considered to be in satisfactory form. The sole bid, in the amount of

\$495,495, was submitted by Vellutini Corporation, dba Royal Electric. The bid is 260% over the Engineer's Estimate of \$190,055.

It is recommended all bids be rejected because the only bid received greatly exceeded the Engineer's estimate and the project budget. The Airport plans to consider redesigning or adjusting the project to lower costs prior to readvertising for bids.

The County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel have reviewed this item, and the Aviation Advisory Commission and the Camarillo Airport Authority recommend its approval.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call Erin Powers at (805) 388-4205, or me at (805) 388-4200.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Keith Freitas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

KEITH FREITAS, A.A.E., C.A.E.  
Director of Airports

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation