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June 6th, 2023

Board of Supervisors
County of Ventura
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, California 93009

Subject: Approval of the Plans and Specifications for the Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements (Countywide); Waive Any Minor Bid Irregularities; Award of, and Authorization for the Public Works Agency Director, or His Designee, to Execute a Contract With J&H Engineering General Contractors, Inc. in the Amount of \$292,315; Project Specification No. RD23-04, Project No. 50619; All Supervisorial Districts.

Recommendations:

1. Approve the plans and specifications for the Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements (Countywide) project located at various locations countywide as shown on Exhibit 1 – Vicinity & Location Map, Specification No. RD23-04, Project No. 50619;
2. Waive any minor bid irregularities;
3. Award a contract to J&H Engineering General Contractors, Inc. of Camarillo, California, on the basis of the lowest responsible bid of \$292,315; and,
4. Authorize the Public Works Agency Director, or his designee, to execute subject contract if awarded.

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Cite Authority:
Source of Funding:	FHWA-Highway Safety Improvement Program and Road Fund
Funding Match Required:	29.58% of eligible costs
Impact on Other Department(s):	None



Summary of Revenue and Total Costs	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024
Revenue:	\$ 0	\$ 250,000
Costs:		
Direct	\$ 0	\$ 409,421
Indirect - Agency/Department	\$ 0	\$ 15,651
Indirect - CAP	\$ 0	\$ 1,718
Total Costs	\$ 0	\$ 426,790
Net Road Fund Costs Including Indirects	\$ 0	\$ 176,790
Recovered Indirect Cost (Dept. and County CAP)	\$ 0	\$ 0

Current 2022-2023 Budget Projection for Road Fund Unit 4083				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$ 7,359,500	\$ 14,613,841	\$ 12,297,200	\$ 2,316,641
Revenue	\$ 5,229,300	\$ 6,539,300	\$ 6,437,600	(\$101,700)
Net Cost	\$ 2,130,200	\$ 8,074,541	\$ 5,859,600	\$2,214,941

Revenue and appropriations will be included in FY 2023-2024 Road Fund budget as appropriate.

Discussion:

The purpose of this project is to install safety improvements at various pedestrian crossings of roads countywide as shown on Exhibit 1 (Vicinity & Location Map). Work consists of installing rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFB) on crosswalks near schools, pedestrian access ramps, detectable warning surfaces, concrete pads, and appurtenant work.

A temporary construction easement was acquired from Conejo Valley Unified School District to construct a new pedestrian access ramp.

Bids for the project were opened on April 27, 2023. A copy of the Abstract of the Bids received is attached (Exhibit 2). The lowest responsive bid was submitted by J&H Engineering General Contractors, Inc. of Camarillo, CA. The low bid is 14.5% below the engineer's estimate of \$342,000. The plans and specifications for the project are attached as Exhibit 3.

On March 1, 2022, your Board previously declared the project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c) and (f), because the project consists of minor alterations on existing structures and facilities, and there is no possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment, either individually or cumulatively. A Notice of Exemption was filed on March 2, 2022.



The estimated total project costs are as follows:

Preliminary Engineering	\$ 140,800*
Construction Contract	\$ 292,315
Construction Engineering, Materials Testing, etc.	\$ 43,900
Right-of-Way	\$ N/A
Contingencies	\$ 29,200
Total	\$ 506,215

*\$79,425 in Preliminary Engineering was incurred in previous fiscal years.

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

If you have questions, please call the undersigned at (805) 654-2077.



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Attachments:

- Exhibit 1 – Vicinity & Location Map
- Exhibit 2 – Abstract of Bids
- Exhibit 3 – Plans and Specifications

