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June 4, 2024

Board of Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Subject: **Approval of, and Authorization for the Public Works Agency (PWA) Director to Execute, Contract Change Order No. 3 with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., Decreasing the Contract Amount from \$2,070,134 to \$1,948,706 (a Decrease of \$121,428) for Non-Correctable Work on the Well 97 Replacement Project (Project), Specification No. WW22-01, Project No.31806; Ventura County Waterworks District No.1 (Moorpark), Supervisorial District No.4.**

Recommendations:

Approve and authorize the Ventura County Public Works Agency (PWA) Director or designee to execute, Contract Change Order No. 3 to the contract with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., decreasing the total contract amount from \$2,070,134 to \$1,948,706 (a decrease of \$121,428) for non-correctable work on the Well No. 97 Replacement Project, Specification No. WW22-01, Project No. 31806. (Exhibit 3)

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	Not Applicable
Funding Match Required:	None
Impact on Other Department(s):	None

Summary of Revenue and Total Costs:

		<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</u>
Revenue:	\$	0	\$	0
Costs:				
Direct	\$	(121,428)	\$	0
Indirect – Agency/Dept.		0		0
Indirect – County CAP		0		0
Total Costs	\$	(121,428)	\$	0
Net Costs	\$	(121,428)	\$	0



Recovered Indirect Costs	\$	0	\$	0
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Current Fiscal Year Budget Projections:

Current FY 2023-24 Budget Projection for Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1 - Unit 4300				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$22,208,192	\$22,377,075	\$19,433,159	\$2,943,916
Revenue	\$21,438,125	\$21,438,125	\$19,435,559	(\$2,002,566)
Net Operating Gain/(Loss)	(\$770,067)	(\$938,950)	\$2,400	\$941,350

Sufficient appropriations are included in the FY 2023-24 Adjusted budget.

Discussion:

Ventura County Waterworks District No. 1's (District) Well No. 97 Replacement Project (Project) consists of constructing, developing, and testing a new potable water supply well to replace the existing failed Well No. 97. Under the Project, a new well would be constructed on the same site as the existing Well 97. Also included in the Project is the destruction of the existing Well 97.

On February 28, 2023, your Board awarded a contract for the Project to Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. of Colton, California in the amount of \$2,066,546. Construction began March 28, 2023, and was scheduled for completion on April 2, 2024.

During closeout inspection for the Project, a portion of the 4-inch camera tube and the casing in the new well that contractor installed were found to be non-conforming to the contract specifications. Staff have reviewed these issues with the design consultant of record and based on investigation, it was determined that neither issue is correctable due to depth and the limits on available technology within the industry. It was confirmed by calculation that neither issue is expected to adversely affect the well's functionality or performance. A credit of \$121,428 was agreed to with the contractor based on the value of work provided, functionality, and demonstrated performance.

Contract Change Order (CCO) Nos. 1 and 2 were previously executed under the Director's authority threshold for a total cost of \$3,588, thereby adjusting the total contract price to \$2,070,134. Approval of the proposed CCO No. 3 (Exhibit 3) would decrease Project costs by \$121,428 (a 5.9% decrease), reducing the total contract price to \$1,948,706.

Strategic Plan:

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

- II. Fiscal responsibility and economic vitality through
 - 1. Maintaining a transparent and balanced budget, while funding essential services and implementing cost-savings measures.
- III. Reliable infrastructure and sustainability through
 - 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 Joseph Pope at (805) 378-3005.

Sincerely,



David Fleisch, P.E.
Assistant Director

Attachments:

- Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map
- Exhibit 2 – Location Map
- Exhibit 3 – CCO NO. 3

