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

Subject: Approval of the Plans and Specifications, Including Addendum No. 1, for the Pedestrian Crossing Improvements - Countywide; Find the Project Categorically Exempt from California Environmental Quality Act; Waive Any Minor Bid Irregularities; Award of, and Authorization for the Director of Public Works Agency or His Designee to Execute a Contract With Taft Electric Company in the Amount of \$216,360; Project Specification No. RD21-05, Project No. 50590; All Supervisorial Districts.

Recommendations:

1. Approve the plans and specifications, including Addendum No. 1, for the Pedestrian Crossing Improvements – Countywide, Project Specification No. RD21-05, Project No. 50590. Refer to Exhibit 1 (Vicinity Maps) for project locations;
2. Find that the Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301;
3. Waive any minor bid irregularities;
4. Award a contract to Taft Electric Company of Ventura, California, on the basis of the lowest responsive bid of \$216,360; and,
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works Agency or his designee to execute subject contract if awarded.

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:

Source of Funding:

Funding Match Required:

Impact on Other Department(s):

No ☒ Yes ☐ Cite Authority:

FHWA – Highway Safety Improvement Program and Road Fund

No

None



Summary of Revenue and Total Costs	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Revenue:	\$ 235,200	\$ 0
Costs:		
Direct	\$ 307,126	\$ 0
Indirect - Agency/Department	\$ 16,815	\$ 0
Indirect - CAP	\$ 59	\$ 0
Total Costs	\$ 324,000	\$ 0
Net Road Fund Costs Including Indirects	\$ 88,800	\$ 0
Recovered Indirect Cost (Dept. and County CAP)	\$ 0	\$ 0

Current 2020-21 Budget Projection for Road Fund - Unit 4083				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$ 21,278,200	\$ 23,671,764	\$ 23,671,764	\$ 0
Revenue	\$ 17,294,500	\$ 17,294,500	\$ 17,294,500	\$ 0
Net Cost	\$ 3,353,700	\$ 5,747,264	\$ 5,747,264	\$ 0

Sufficient revenue and appropriations are available in the FY 2020-21 Road Fund Adopted Budget.

Discussion:

The purpose of this project is to install safety improvements at various pedestrian crossings countywide as shown on Exhibit 1 (Vicinity Map). Work will involve installing Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) at crosswalks near schools and replacing existing pedestrian signal heads at 26 intersections with Countdown Pedestrian Signal Heads (CPSH).

No new right-of-way will be required for this project. All work will be constructed within existing County road right-of-way.

Bids for the project were opened on November 3, 2020. A copy of the abstract of the bids received is attached (Exhibit 2). The lowest responsive bid was submitted by Taft Electric Company of Ventura, CA. The low bid is 9.85% below the engineer's estimate of \$240,000.

The project is categorically exempt from CEQA under CEQA Guidelines section 15301 because it consists of minor alterations of 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 will be filed after your Board's action.



The estimated total project costs are as follows:

Preliminary Engineering	\$ 46,700
Construction Contract	\$ 216,360
Construction Engineering, Materials Testing, etc.	\$ 35,000
Right-of-Way	\$ 0
Contingencies	\$ 25,000
Total	\$ 323,060

*\$22,700 in Preliminary Engineering costs were incurred in prior 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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Director
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Attachments:

- Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map (3 pages, 32 locations)
- Exhibit 2 – Abstract of Bids
- Exhibit 3 – Plans & Specifications
- Exhibit 4 – Addendum No. 1

