



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Information Technology
Department No.: 067
Agenda Date: May 5, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Chris Chirgwin, Chief Information Officer (CIO)
Contact: Andre Monostori, Deputy CIO
SUBJECT: Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor (Agreement) with Federal Engineering, Inc., for Public Safety Radio System Replacement Project; All Districts.

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor (BC21095) with Federal Engineering, Inc., a Maryland corporation (Federal Engineering), to extend the term to June 30, 2027, for consulting services associated with technical implementation services for the Public Safety Radio System Replacement Project; and
- b) Find that, on July 13, 2021, the Board determined the project to be exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 15301 as the actions consist of the operation, repair, maintenance, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public structures, facilities, mechanical equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use; 15302 as the actions consist or replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities located on the same site and with the same purpose and capacity; 15303 as the actions consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures; 5061(b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no

possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment; and that the recommended actions are within the scope of that Notice of Exemption.

Summary Text:

The Information Technology Department (ITD) seeks approval for an amendment (Second Amendment) to the Agreement to provide ongoing technical implementation services for the Public Safety Radio Network Replacement Project by extending the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2027.

Discussion

The requested extension is needed to compensate for approval delays of new sites owned by the U.S. Forest service to construct new towers and shelters for the use of the new system. The projected completion date for the project is June 30, 2027, assuming no further delays.

Background:

On July 13, 2021, the Board of Supervisor’s (Board) approved an Agreement for Services of Independent contractor for a three (3) year term with Federal Engineering (Agreement) in the amount of \$943,063. On June 14, 2024, the Board approved a First Amendment to extend the Agreement to June 30, 2026.

The County of Santa Barbara’s Public Safety Radio System is at the end of its vendor-supported life and is being replaced. Federal Engineering, a leading specialist in public safety mobile radio consulting, was retained through a competitive acquisition process to assist in Roadmap, Request for Proposal (RFP) Specifications, and Technical Implementation Oversight.

Performance Measure:

As outlined in Section 7 of the Agreement, Federal Engineering continues to perform in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession. Federal Engineering has performed in accordance with the Agreement, and it is anticipated the quality of their product will continue to meet the County’s expectations.

Fiscal Analysis:

As of March 23, 2026, the existing Board Contract (BC21095) has available funds of approximately \$761,400, which will be sufficient to pay for ongoing technical implementation services during the extended term of the Agreement. The Agreement is being funded through the ITD’s Fund 1919 Communication Services Internal Service Fund, Capital Replacement, in an amount not to exceed \$943,063. The funding has accumulated from depreciation collected for the radio system. Sufficient appropriations are included in both the current Fiscal Year 2025-26 adopted budget and the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27. For FY 2026-27, Federal Engineering will take a more active role providing technical oversight as the project is moving into the installation and testing phase. They will also support the coverage testing period, currently estimated to start around April 2027. The \$741K estimated in FY 2026-27 represents the remaining contract balance being rolled over. However, it is not anticipated the full \$741K will be spent.

Funding Source	FY 2021-22 through 2024-25 (Actuals)	FY 2025-26 (Estimate)	FY 2026-27 (Estimate)	Total
Fund 1919 – Capital Replacement	\$148,096	\$53,500	\$741,467	\$943,063

Special Instructions:

Please email a copy of the executed Agreement and minute order to Kyle Slattery (knslattery@countyofsb.org) and Jason Womack (jwomack@countyofsb.org) with the Information Technology Department.

Provide one (1) duplicate original of Amendment No. 2 and a Minute Order to Kyle Slattery, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Information Technology Department.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Amendment No. 2

Attachment B – Amendment No. 1

Attachment C – Original Agreement with Federal Engineering

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