



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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Department Name: General Services  
Department No.: 063  
For Agenda Of: September 18, 2012  
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time: N/A  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from: N/A  
Vote Required: **Majority**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** General Services Bob Nisbet, Director (560-1011)  
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (568-3096)  
**SUBJECT: Santa Ynez Valley Airport Project #8734 Award Construction Contract  
Third District**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Award a Unit Price Construction Contract in the estimated amount of \$574,232 to the lowest responsible bidder, Granite Construction Company, subject to the provisions of the documents and certifications as set forth in the plans and specifications applicable to the project and as required by California Law, (Third District);
- b) Authorize the chair to execute the Construction Contract upon return of the Contractor's executed contract documents, and the review and approval of County Counsel, Auditor-Controller and Risk Manager or their authorized representatives;
- c) Authorize the Director of General Services to approve change orders of an amount not to exceed 10% of a base amount of \$250,000 plus 5% of the bid in excess of the base amount, or \$41,212.60 for this contract; and
- d) Find that pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15162, no substantial changes are proposed and no new information of substantial importance has come to light regarding environmental effects of the project and, therefore, the project is within the scope of the Notice of Exemption approved by your Board pursuant to 14 CCR 15301 on July 10, 2012, and that, therefore, no new environmental document is required.

**Summary Text:**

This project, known as AIP Grant 12, will maintain and modernize the Santa Ynez Valley Airport facilities and has been proposed by the Santa Ynez Valley Airport Authority (SYVAA), who manages the airport under lease on behalf of the County. The estimated total cost of the project, including design, construction and management, is \$816,245. Tartaglia Engineering has been selected to provide design and construction administration services in support of the Santa Ynez Valley Airport's Capital Improvement Plan. Approval of the contract with Granite Construction Company will allow construction to proceed on schedule. The design and construction is funded primarily by federal grants from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), with the remaining funding coming from CalTrans and the SYVAA.

**Background:**

Tartaglia Engineering was recently selected by the County, among four candidate firms, to provide engineering services for projects at the Santa Ynez Valley Airport over the next five (5) years. The firm was selected by the standard, competitive "Request for Qualifications" (RFQ) process, involving a selection panel comprised of the County and the Santa Ynez Valley Airport Authority (SYVAA) personnel. The work that will be awarded to Tartaglia Engineering on October 2, 2012 continues the SYVAA's Capital Improvement Plan largely funded by grants from the FAA. The work is necessary to maintain and modernize the facilities, and has been proposed by the Airport Authority. Specifically, the work includes: rehabilitating Taxiway and Taxilane F, including grading and drainage improvements; rehabilitating pedestrian access; rehabilitating the service road, including drainage, fencing, and gates; airfield electrical upgrades and runway safety grading; runway rehabilitation; and Taxiway and apron rehabilitation with pavement markings.

On July 10, 2012 General Services received approval of the Taxiway-Taxilane F Rehabilitation and Pedestrian Access Project plans and specifications and was granted permission to advertise for bids. This work is inclusive with the AIP 12.

On August 23, 2012 General Services received eleven (11) bids for this project. Granite Construction Company, a Watsonville, CA based company, is the apparent responsive low bidder. Their unit price estimated bid of \$574,232 is 17.8% lower than the engineer's estimate for this project. The other bids received ranged from \$580,251 to \$783,954 with an average bid of \$670,541. The total project cost is estimated at \$816,245 and the project is scheduled for completion by February 28, 2013.

The County's airport near Santa Ynez is operated by the SYVAA. The County, as owner, is also the FAA Sponsor. As Sponsor, the County may apply for and receive federal grants on a yearly basis as part of a 5-year Airport Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP) previously approved by the County and FAA; which in turn is consistent with the SYVAA's Airport Layout Plan (ALP) last approved by the County and the FAA on September 29, 2008.

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Documentation:**

A CEQA categorical exemption was approved for this project on July 10, 2012, as it consists of maintenance, repair and alteration of an existing public structure with no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination in accordance with 15301 (c). This exemption

includes existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety). A National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) categorical exemption document has been submitted to and approved by the FAA under similar justification.

**Performance Measure:**

The improvements to the Santa Ynez Valley Airport through this project will properly update and maintain the airport.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Current FY Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u></b>
General Fund			
State			\$ 36,731
Federal			\$ 734,621
Fees			
Other: SYVAA			\$ 44,893
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 816,245</b>

**Narrative:**

Funding is provided by grants from the FAA and a local match by the SYVAA. Ninety percent (90%) is funded by the FAA. The SYVAA pays the remaining 10% in accordance with the Lease Agreement between the County and the SYVAA. After application and FAA grant approval, the County will apply for a small State match grant from the California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) - Aeronautics Program, on behalf of the SYVAA. If granted, that will reimburse the SYVAA by 4.5% (\$36,731); reducing their contribution to \$44,893. If for some unusual reason Caltrans were to not award the grant, which has not happened to date, the SYVAA will be obligated to pay the entire 10% match. There are no County funds being used on this project.

This current fiscal year project was recommended for funding in the FY 2011/2012 Airport Capital Improvement Program. Once the grant is approved, funds will be available in Fund No. 0052, Dept. No. 063, Account No. 8700, Program No. 1920, Project No. 8734.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

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**FTEs:**

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**Special Instructions:**

Please send one (1) copy of the Minute Order, and (2) duplicate executed originals of the Construction Contract to John Green, GS / Support Services Division, Courthouse East Wing.

**Attachments:**

1. Draft Copy of Construction Contract

**Authored by:**

JG General Services – Capital Projects