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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Department Name:

General Services and Information Technology

Department Number:

063, 067

Agenda Date:

August 18, 2026

Placement:

Administrative Agenda

Estimated Time:**Continued Item:**

No

If Yes, date from:**Vote Required:**

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director(s): Kirk Lagerquist, Director, General Services

Chris Chirgwin, Director, Information Technology

CONTACT: Jeffrey Patton, Assistant Director, General Services

SUBJECT: Award Public Safety Radio Network (PSRN) Communication Site
Construction Contract – Cuyama Peak Site;
County Project No. PRJ-000641, District 4

Concurrences:**County Counsel Concurrence:**

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve the plans and specifications for the Public Safety Radio Network Communication Site, Cuyama Peak project on file in the General Services Capital Projects office, County Project No. 22039, in the Fourth Second Supervisorial District; and
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Construction Agreement (“Agreement”) for the **Cuyama Peak PSRN Construction Project** (“Project”) in the amount of \$2,207,353.00, with **Normile Construction, Incorporated** (“Contractor”), the lowest responsible bidder, to complete the Project; and
- c) Authorize the Director of General Services or the Director of the Information Technology Department to approve change orders to the Agreement in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$122,867.65, as authorized under California Public Contract Code Section 20142; and
- d) Determine that the recommended actions continue to be exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to the following CEQA guidelines sections: 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; and 15061(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 a Notice of Exemption on these bases was filed on July 13, 2021.

Summary Text:

The recommended Board actions are on the agenda to award a construction contract in the amount of \$2,207,353.00 for Cuyama Peak Mountain site identified as part of the PSRN upgrade projects.

On March 17, 2026, General Services solicited bid documents for this Project on Public Purchase with bids due on May 1, 2026. Due to road conditions to the site the bid due date was extended until May 22, 2026. At bid opening, General Services received two (2) bids for this Project. Normile Construction, Incorporated submitted the lowest bid in the amount of \$2,207,353. The Department analyzed the bid and determined the lowest bidder to be responsible and responsive.

This project is funded with Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Proceeds in the Communications Internal Service Fund, 1919.

Background:

The County of Santa Barbara has a diverse radio communications environment, with several different land and mobile radio systems deployed to meet specific operational needs of County departments, which rely on radio communications. These systems, which make up the County’s Public Safety Radio Network (“PSRN”), are in different stages of their lifecycle, and each has varying technologies and

capabilities. The County is replacing the PSRN, as it is at the end of its useful life. These individual communication sites are part of the greater PSRN project to improve the County's overall communications system, which supports the operations of Fire, Sheriff, Public Health, Probation, Parks, General Services, Information Technology, District Attorney, and contracted cities.

On February 5, 2019, the Board of Supervisors (Board) filed and received the Public Safety Replacement Project Report, which assessed the current radio communication environment and defined the County's future operational requirements for users of the systems. On July 13, 2021, the Board approved a Professional Service Agreement for technical implementation services for the greater PSRN upgrade project.

The scope of the Cuyama Peak PSRN Project includes the installation of a new 100' Communication Tower, an 8' x 20' equipment shelter, a diesel generator and a solar arrays system. The proposed work includes all labor and materials, structural, mechanical, electrical, solar design engineering, and all civil work subject to the provisions of the bid documents and certifications as outlined in the plans and specifications.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This project PRJ-000641 is funded through an even split between Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Proceeds and pre-approved General Funds in the Communications Internal Service Fund, 1919. Sufficient appropriations were included in the FY 2026-2027 Adopted Budget, and future fiscal year funding will be incorporated into the department's requested budget, subject to Board approval. There is no additional cost to the General Fund.

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY [2026-27]	Total
Fund 1919: Certificate of Participation (COP)	2,207,353.00.	2,207,353.00
Contingency (COP)	122,867.65	122,867.65
Total	2,330,220.65.00	2,330,220.65.00

Special Instructions:

After Board action, please distribute as follows:

1. One (1) copy of the Minute Order
2. One (1) duplicate executed originals of the Agreement to:
Clay Preston, Project Manager, GS Capital Projects,
260 N. San Antonio Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93110
3. In addition, please email a copy to cpreston@countyofsb.org and kslattery@CountyofSB.org

Attachments:

Attachment A:

Exhibit A Construction Agreement, Invitation to Bidders (including the Plans and Specifications), Bid, Payment and Performance bond,

Exhibit B Contractor Proposal,

Exhibit C Indemnification and Insurance – Normile Construction, Incorporated

Exhibit D Sample Change Order form

Attachment B – California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption, Filed July 13, 2021

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