

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name:

Public Works

Department No.:

054

For Agenda Of:

May 19, 2009

Placement:

Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required:

Majority

TO:

Board of Supervisors

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FROM:

Department Director

Scott McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010

Contact Info:

Dacé Morgan, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064 リラム

SUBJECT:

Establish Purchasing Agreements with Vendors for the Supply of Aggregates, Hot

Mix Asphalts, and Concrete Used in the Construction and Maintenance of County

Maintained Roads, All Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: Purchasing

As to form: Yes

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Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve a waiver of bids that allows the Purchasing Agent to procure aggregate materials, hot mix asphalts (HMA) and concrete used in the repair and construction of County infrastructure on an as-needed basis;
- B. Make the waiver effective through June 30, 2011.

Summary Text:

The timely application of surface treatments is vital to preserving the County's investment in our Transportation Infrastructure. In order to respond quickly when the condition of a road is compromised, the Pubic Works Department needs to have the ability to procure materials used in construction, maintenance and emergency repair of the County's Transportation Infrastructure. These materials are purchased from local vendors as well as a vendor in Ventura County. Proximity to the job site determines which vendor is utilized to supply the needed materials. This is critical when purchasing hot mix asphalt as it performs better, is easier to work with and has a better finish when it is delivered to the job site at the temperature required by specification. Vendor location is also important when considering the delivery costs of aggregate materials; therefore, the Department needs to receive mix

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from Vulcan Materials Company, whose plant is located in Oxnard, when working in the southern portion of the County.

The need for material suppliers located south of Gaviota is evidenced by the inaccessibility of portions of the County during such disasters as storm events, fires and chemical spills. The waiver of bids is requested for aggregate materials due to the cost of these items having exceeded the amount at which the Purchasing Agent, without additional Board authority, can waive bidding. The wavier is not for sole source purchases, but allows the Public Works Department to expedite the purchase of material from vendors without the \$25,000 limit.

The Department requests that the following limits for purchasing aggregates, hot mix asphalt, and concrete be applied to the following vendors:

	Current Limit	Proposed Limit	Location of Use
Granite Construction Company (Local Vendor)	\$350,000.	\$500,000.	Countywide
Calportland (Formerly Union Asphalt)(Local Vendor)	\$500,000.	\$500,000.	North and Central County
Hansen Aggregates Inc. (Local Vendor)	\$500,000.	\$500,000.	North and Central County
Vulcan Materials Company (Ventura County)	\$25,000.	\$500,000.	South Coast

These dollar amounts are based on the amount of materials purchased from these various vendors annually Countywide, for our Transportation Infrastructure.

Background:

Based on State Law and County Code sections adopted by your Board, the Purchasing Agent is required to go to formal bid for any item that may exceed \$25,000, for any group of items from a single vendor. The blanket waiver will allow the Purchasing Agent to proceed legally, and without the delays associated with requiring waivers on a daily basis. This process will allow the Public Works Department to respond quickly to the needs of the Maintained System and better serve the traveling public.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

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Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	<u>Total One-Time</u> <u>Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

There are no direct fiscal impacts as a result of this action. All work and related expenditures for materials have been budgeted in Department 054 as part of operations and capital maintenance activities.

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u>

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Please forward a certified, stamped Minute Order approving this item to Gena Valentine Felix in the Public Works Department, Transportation, x3064.

Attachments:

Authored by:

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