



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER**

**Agenda Number:**

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

**Department Name:** Public Works  
**Department No.:** 054  
**Agenda Date:** March 3, 2026  
**Placement:** Administrative Agenda  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:** N/A  
**Vote Required:** 4/5

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Director: Chris Sneddon, Public Works Director <sup>DS</sup>CS

Contact: Mostafa Estaji, Deputy Director, Transportation <sup>DS</sup>ME

**SUBJECT:** **First Amendment to Contract for Hummel Drive and Union Valley Parkway Traffic Signal; County Project No. 862453; Fourth Supervisorial District**

**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

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 the attached First Amendment to the Contract with G. Sosa Construction Inc., P.O. Box 2367, Nipomo, CA 93444, for the Hummel Drive and Union Valley Parkway Traffic Signal; County Project No. 862453; Fourth Supervisorial District, increasing the contingency amount by \$77,205, resulting in a revised total not-to-exceed contract amount, including contingency, of \$849,256; and
- b) Determine the project to be exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to 14 CCR 15301(c) (as the proposed project(s) consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities). On December 9, 2025, a Notice of Exemption was filed on that basis, and the proposed action is within the scope of that Notice of Exemption.

**Summary Text:**

The Hummel Drive and Union Valley Parkway Traffic Signal project is in active construction and unexpected site conditions required additional work on the traffic signal foundation to complete the

project. The item would increase the contingency amount by \$77,205 for the Hummel Drive and Union Valley Parkway Traffic Signal project, for a total contingency of \$125,875. The total contract amount, including contingency, will become \$849,256.

**Discussion:**

On December 9, 2025, the County Board of Supervisors awarded a contract to G. Sosa Construction Inc., in the amount of \$772,051, including contingency, for the construction of the Union Valley Parkway and Hummel Drive Traffic Signal project. This project will improve pedestrian safety, traffic flow, and provide complete sidewalks and curb ramps that meet current standards. Construction for this project began in early January of 2026.

The Director of Public Works or designee was previously authorized to approve change orders for a contingency amount up to \$48,670. Due to differing site conditions, additional funds are required in order to complete the project. During drilling shallow groundwater was encountered causing instabilities in foundation work. Additional work is required to stabilize the soil for the foundation work.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

This amendment increases the contingency amount by \$77,205 on the construction contract with Sosa Construction Inc. with a total contract amount of \$849,256. A budget adjustment is not required for this amended contract. Because staffing and consultant costs were under budget, the total cost of the project will remain \$1,249,000, which includes design, county-furnished materials, consulting, construction engineering, and construction.

The project is currently funded by the Orcutt Transportation Improvement Plan (OTIP). Funding for the project is budgeted in Fund FD-0017, Program PG-0542830, Project PRJ 000837 (862453), Cost Center CC-54210.

**Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Source	FY 25/26	Total
OTIP	\$849,256	\$849,256

**Special Instructions:**

Please email the following items to Hammer Lazaro in the Public Works Department, Transportation Division [hlazaro@countyofsb.org](mailto:hlazaro@countyofsb.org): A minute order and executed amendment.

**Attachments:**

**Attachment A** – First Amendment to Contract for Project No. 862453

**Attachment B** – Original Contract for Project No. 862453

**Attachment C** –Notice of Exemption dated December 9, 2025

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