



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: General Services
Department No.: 063
For Agenda Of: 9/15/2009
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Robert Nisbet, Director (560-1011)
Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (568-3096)

SUBJECT: **Contract Amendment and Notice of Completion for Sheriff's Campus Exterior Sewer Line Replacement Project # J03000, Second Supervisorial District**

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) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Amendment to the Contract with Ventura Directional Drilling in the amount of \$28,486.15 for a total contract amount of \$286,593.15
- b) Approve the Notice of Completion.

Summary Text:

On March 17th 2009 the County entered into a Contract with Ventura Directional Drilling, not a local contractor, in the amount of \$258,107.00 to provide labor and materials to replace the existing exterior sewer piping, manholes and clean outs at the Main Jail, which had deteriorated beyond repair. The project was completed for a contract amount of \$ 286,593.15, which is inclusive of the original contract amount of \$258,107.00 plus change orders totaling \$ 28,486.15. These changes orders have resulted in construction costs exceeding the authorized General Services Director approval authority for change orders. (The General Services Director has the authority to approve change orders of an amount not to exceed 10% of a base amount of \$250,000.00 plus 5% of the bid in excess of the base amount, or \$25,405.00 for this contract.) Therefore, it is requested that the Board approve this change order in the amount of \$28,486.15.

Background:

Due to continued failures of the existing sewer system for the County Jail, the Sheriff commissioned a technical evaluation in 2005 by MM Mechanical. They concluded that the entire exterior sewer pipeline and manholes should be replaced as soon as possible, as the risk of a catastrophic failure of the sewer system in the near future was inevitable.

The project went to bid in late 2008 and was awarded in early 2009. The winning bidder, Ventura Directional Drilling, proposed a combination of both directional drilling and conventional trenching to replace the failing sewer. Construction ran smoothly and the project was completed on 7/15/09 ahead of contract schedule. The combination of construction techniques resulted not only in a lower than anticipated cost to the County but also significant reduction in the disruption to the daily operations at the Main Jail and Sheriff Complex while under construction.

The \$28,486.15 contract amendment is required, due to a complete redesign of the original sewer replacement plan during construction. This resulted from the discovery of additional lateral sewer connections to Sheriff Buildings that were not documented on the existing plans. Also, it was found that many of the known locations of service pipes for water, gas, power and communications to the Sheriff Campus were buried at depths that interfered with the installation of the new proposed sewer location.

Performance Measure:

Notice of completion will allow for the release of retention.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

This project is fully funded in the Capital Maintenance Program

Fund 0001, Dept 063, Line item 7671, Program1225, O Unit 6006, Project J03000, Activity J1, budget for FY 08/09.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

None

FTEs:

None

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) signed original of the contract amendment and a copy of the Minute Order to Richard Whirty, GS/Support Services Div., Courthouse East Wing.

Attachments:

One (1) Contract Amendment, one (1) Notice of Completion.

Authored by:

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