



**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: June 6, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: General Services Kirk Lagerquist, Director (805-560-1011)
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**SUBJECT: AGREEMENT FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS
AND SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR – All Districts**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with PowerFlex Systems, LLC (“PowerFlex”) with an address at 15445 Innovation Drive, San Diego, California, 92128, in the amount of up to \$1,000,000 (“Contract”) to procure electric vehicle charging stations and related software to be utilized at various locations throughout the County (majority vote);
- b) Pursuant to County Code 2-39, waive competitive bidding by the County and instead authorize the County Purchasing Agent to purchase this equipment from PowerFlex without being required to conduct a formal bid process (majority vote) and;
- c) Determine pursuant to CEQA Guidelines: 15378(b)(5) that the above fiscal activity is not a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act. It is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment (majority vote).

Summary Text:

This item is before the Board to seek authorization for the Contract with PowerFlex to procure up to 180 electric vehicle (“EV”) charging stations, ancillary equipment, and related software (“EV Chargers”) to support the adoption of Zero Emission Vehicles (“ZEVs”) in the County vehicle fleet. Previously, the County has installed 127 PowerFlex EV charging stations at various locations throughout the County,

and will need to install up to another 180 EV Chargers as it continues to convert its internal combustion engine fleet vehicles to ZEVs over the next several years.

Due to the difficult operational issues of having to manage multiple EV charging systems for its ZEV fleet, and to provide a consistent EV charging experience at all County EV chargers for both employees and the public, staff requests that the Board waive competitive bidding by the County and enter into the Contract to purchase the EV Chargers from PowerFlex.

Background:

Almost 10 years ago, the County began installing EV charging equipment at various locations around the County. Today, Santa Barbara County has 127 PowerFlex EV Chargers at 13 sites, and wishes to add an additional 180 EV Chargers at several existing locations and seven new locations. Through a competitive bid selection process in 2020, PowerFlex was selected for the first round of 127 EV Charger installations. This Contract will provide the EV charging equipment and software to support additional chargers. It is anticipated that installation of the EV Chargers will be performed under the County's Job Order Contract. The funding outlined below does not include the installation cost for the EV Chargers, which is yet to be determined.

To support the future EVs that will be purchased over the next 2-4 years, a survey was conducted to determine where such vehicles will be "garaged" each night. It was determined that approximately 150 to 180 additional EV Chargers will be needed at various locations throughout the County to support charging for such vehicles. Whenever possible, EV charging centers will be consolidated in County parking lots to reduce the cost of installation and connecting to power sources. At many of the County EV charging locations, several of the EV chargers are available for public and County employee use.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes.

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
Capital Fund 30, Project 22013	\$ 718,376		\$ 718,376
CALeVIP Rebates	\$ 281,624		\$ 281,624
Ongoing Maintenance - Software and Support; Fleet Fund and General Fund	\$ -	\$ 37,380	\$ -
Total Project	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 37,380	\$ 1,000,000

Narrative:

Note that the above funding is for the EV Chargers only for this Contract and does not include installation costs. Additional funding will be needed for installation of the EV Chargers, and \$1.1M has been included in the FY2023-24 Recommended Budget for the additional construction and installation costs. The CalEVIP rebate will be received once the chargers are installed and operational; a budget revision will be completed in advance of receipt of the rebate to add this funding source to the project budget.

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Special Instructions:

None

Attachments:

1. Agreement for Services with Independent Contractor

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