



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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**Department Name:** Public Works  
**Department No.:** 054  
**For Agenda Of:** June 24, 2025  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director Chris Sneddon, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Mostafa Estaji, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** Pavement Preservation and Preventive Maintenance; County Project No. 820800; All Supervisorial Districts

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**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 the specifications on file in the Public Works Department office for construction of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Pavement Preservation and Preventive Maintenance, County Project No. 820800; All Supervisorial Districts;
- b) Award the attached Construction Contract, County Project No. 820800, in the amount of \$3,540,325 to the lowest responsible bidder, VSS International, Inc., 3785 Channel Dr, West Sacramento, CA 95691, subject to the provision of documents and certifications, as set forth in the specifications applicable to the project, as required under California Law;
- c) Authorize the Director of Public Works, or designee, to approve change orders for County Project No. 820800 for a contingency amount up to \$195,267 and supplemental items of \$115,000, for the construction of County Project No. 820800 for a total not to exceed authorization of \$3,850,592;
- d) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Construction Contract for County Project No. 820800, that has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Manager, or their authorized representatives; and
- e) Determine that the project is 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, and direct staff to file the attached Notice of Exemption, dated May 21, 2024, on that basis.

**Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to award the construction contract for the Pavement Preservation and Preventive Maintenance project. On May 5, 2025, three (3) bids were opened for County Project No. 820800. VSS International, Inc. submitted the lowest responsible bid of \$3,540,325, which is 3.2% above the Engineer's Estimate. The second lowest bid was 15.8% above the Engineer's Estimate.

This project was bid in accordance with the Public Contract Code, which requires the award go to the lowest responsible bidder. The Department analyzed the bids and determined the low bid is responsive and responsible. The Department recommends awarding this contract to VSS International, Inc.

**Background:**

Construction of this project will complete part of the Capital Maintenance listed in the FY 24-25 Road Maintenance Annual Plan (RdMAP). The project locations are countywide and include surface treatments of approximately 31.6 lane miles of pavement across all Supervisorial Districts. Specific locations are included on the attached vicinity maps (Attachment B) and street list (Attachment C). Construction is scheduled to begin in August 2025 and completed by September 2025.

Traffic control will be provided as necessary and delays are anticipated to be less than 10 minutes. Public Works will notify emergency response services and will use construction area signs to notify the traveling public.

The pavement preservation and preventive maintenance of this project includes Rubberized Cape Seal, Micro-surfacing, and Fog Seal. These preventive treatments are a strategy the Department employs in its Pavement Preservation Program. Before these treatments are applied, small failed areas such as potholes are fixed to provide a smooth surface for the new treatments. To apply the Rubberized Cape Seal, a stress absorbing membrane interlayer (SAMI) is spread on the surface and compacted. One to five days later, Micro-surfacing is placed on top of the SAMI. Micro-surfacing is a mixture of polymer modified asphalt emulsion, mineral aggregate, and filler. The fog sealing of this project includes a single application of emulsified asphalt to recently rehabilitated roads. The fog sealing can be a valuable aid to renew weathered asphalt surfaces and improve surface appearance, seal minor cracks and surface voids, and rejuvenate the pavement structure.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Total Project Cost</u></b>
<b><u>SB1</u></b>	\$264,600
<b><u>General Fund (18% policy)</u></b>	\$3,585,992

<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3,850,592</b>
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*Narrative:*

The total construction costs, including contingencies, amounts to \$3,850,592. Total amounts by funding source are listed in the table above. Funds for this project are budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0016, Org. 0500, Program 2710, Account 7510.

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward the following items to Valerie Selvaggio in the Public Works Department, Transportation Division, 123 E. Anapamu Street, extension 83094:

- A certified, stamped Minute Order approving these recommendations.
- One duplicate original executed contract signature page for 820800 (1 page). One original executed contract to be filed with the Clerk of the Board for 820800.
- Original, fully-signed Special Provisions signature sheet for 820800. Please keep a copy for your records.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Contract for Project No. 820800 (and 1 duplicate original signature page)

Attachment B: Vicinity Maps; Project No. 820800

Attachment C: Street List and Treatments; Project No. 820800

Attachment D: Original signed Special Provisions sheet; Project No. 820800 (and 1 duplicate original signature sheet)

Attachment E: Copy of Notice of Exemption dated May 21, 2024

**Authored by:**

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