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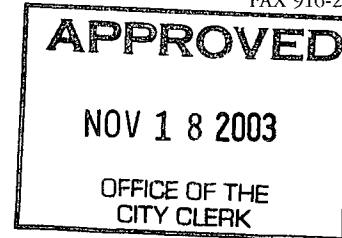
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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:



**SUBJECT: STOCKTON BOULEVARD BUS ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT (PN:
SP81) – SUSPENSION OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND APPROVAL
OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 8 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,280.50 WITH
MANUEL BROTHERS, INC.**

LOCATION: Mack Road and Meadowview, from Stockton Boulevard to 24th Street
Council District 5 and Council District 8

RECOMMENDATION:

This report recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution:

- Suspending competitive bidding for the construction, furnishing, and installation of fiber optic cable to the City Meadowview Complex (requires 2/3 vote);
- Authorizing the City Manager to contract for this work by approving Change Order No. 8 for the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancement Project (on file in the City Clerk's office) in the amount of \$131,280.50 with Manuel Brothers, Inc.; and
- Restoring the City Manager's full change order authority.

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COUNCIL MEETING: November 18, 2003

SUMMARY:

This report requests that the City Council suspend competitive bidding in the best interests of the City and authorize the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 8 in an amount of \$131,280.50 with Manuel Brothers, Inc. for the construction, furnishing, and installation of

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conduits, pull boxes, and a 96-strand single mode fiber optic cable to the City Meadowview Complex.

On November 22, 2002, the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a construction contract for the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancements Project with Manuel Brothers, Inc. in the amount of \$2,142,698.00. Change Orders No. 1 through 7 for this project total \$151,063.18.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION: None is required.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City Meadowview Complex consists of the Solid Waste Division, the Pannell Meadowview Community Center, and a new acquired Office of Emergency Services (OES) building. Overall, this complex houses more than 300 City employees. It is one of the City's major service areas. In an effort to provide better service to its constituents, the City is in a process of replacing the existing Utilities Billing system with a new Customer Information Services system (CIS). This new system will be used by employees in the Meadowview Complex and will provide better service to customers, smoother linkages of data and process architecture, as well as a closer match to business models. The new system will have a greater dependence on network connectivity and needs better network bandwidth to achieve its objectives, avoid performance failures, and eliminate monthly recurring connectivity costs.

One component of the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancement project (PN: SP81) is the improvement of fiber optic communications infrastructure for Citywide applications. This project has constructed and installed fiber cables on Stockton Blvd. from Alhambra Blvd. to Mack Road.

In order to improve customer service, reduce operating costs, and accommodate new requirements (i.e. CIS systems, Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), etc.), staff is recommending that an additional cable be installed from the current southern terminus at Stockton Blvd. and Mack Road to connect the Meadowview Complex with the rest of the City via fiber. (See Attachment A for site location.) The total estimated cost of the Meadowview City Services Complex-Fiber Connect Project (PN:YB59) is \$180,000.

This work could be formally bid as a public project. However, staff believes it is in the City's best interests to suspend competitive bidding and authorize approval of a change order to add this construction to the City's existing contract for the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancement Project. This contract with Manuel Brothers, Inc. was bid and awarded through the formal competitive bidding process. Staff has reviewed the change order bid and based on comparison to this contract and similar projects have found it to be timely and cost competitive. Manuel Brothers,

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Inc., already has demonstrated its capability of performing similar work in the Stockton Boulevard project. Contracting for the performance of this work in this manner will allow the work to be completed substantially sooner than the City's formal bid process would allow, and will reduce administrative costs incurred by the City to have this work performed.

If this change order is approved, construction will take place during the month of December 2003. It is not anticipated that any disruptions to vehicle traffic will occur since all work will be done during non-peak/off working hours.

Staff is recommending that Council approve this Change Order No. 8 in the amount of \$131,280.50 and that the City Manager's change order authority be restored.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

A portion of this change order will be funded from the FY 03/04 Traffic Operations Center Measure A Program (201-500-SR04-4820) in the amount of \$16,100 to provide upsizing of seven traffic signal pull boxes to accommodate future traffic signal and other connections to the fiber network. The remaining cost of \$115,180.50 for this Change Order No. 8 will be funded from the Meadowview City Services Complex-Fiber Connect Project (PN: YB59) budget (415-500-YB59-4820) that has a current available balance of \$180,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Environmental Services Manager has determined that the proposed project is exempt from CEQA under Section Numbers 15301 and 15303 of the CEQA Guidelines. The project involves the alteration of existing public structures and streets, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and other public facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Due to federal funding requirements, the proposed project was evaluated under National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Guidelines. It has been determined by CalTrans that a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion would satisfy the requirements for NEPA.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

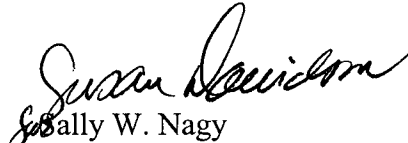
This recommendation is in conformance with the goals, objectives, initiatives and operating principles of the City's Information Technology Strategic Plan. In particular, it is in accordance with Goal #1, Improve Technical Infrastructure, since the addition of 96 strands of fiber optic cable to the City Meadowview Complex will help support the continued implementation of a secure, reliable, flexible and scalable technical infrastructure for the City. The action requested is also consistent with Chapters 3.60.170.D and 3.60.210.E and G. of the Sacramento City Code relating to Contracts for Public Projects.

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ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

There are no ESBD considerations for this change order due to the Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements that apply to federally funded projects. Manuel Brothers, Inc. performed a satisfactory Good Faith Effort (GFE) in lieu of DBE's goal attainment.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chief Information Officer

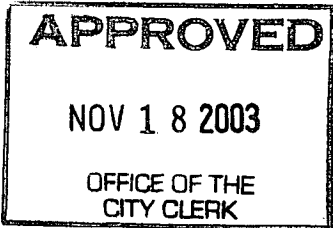
RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



Robert P. Thomas
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO. 2003-796

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND APPROVING STOCKTON BOULEVARD BUS ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT (PN: SP81) CHANGE ORDER NO. 8 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,280.50 WITH MANUEL BROTHERS, INC.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

- 1) In the best interests of the City, competitive bidding is suspended, to allow for the construction, furnishing, and installation of fiber optic cable for the City Meadowview Complex as part of the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancement Project (PN: SP81).
- 2) The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City, Change Order No. 8 for the construction, furnishing, and installation of fiber optic cable for the City Meadowview Complex in the amount of \$131,280.50 with Manuel Brothers, Inc.
- 3) The cost of Change Order No. 8 will be funded by FY03/FY04 Traffic Operations Center Program (PN:SR04) (210-500-SR04-4820) in the amount of \$16,100 and by the Meadowview City Services Complex-Fiber Connect project (PN:YB59) (415-500-YB59-4820) in the amount of \$115,180.50
- 4) Change order numbers 1 through 7 issued by the City Manager for the Stockton Boulevard Bus Enhancement Project are hereby ratified and authorized, and the City Manager's full change order authority is restored.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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RESOLUTION NO.: _____

DATE ADOPTED: _____