

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: PUBLIC WORKS *LB*

BOARD AGENDA # *C-5

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE March 22, 2011

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Increase Construction Contingency Funds for the South 9th Street at Latimer Avenue,
Federal-Aid Project No. HSIPL-5938(161) Project

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the increase of construction contingency funds in the amount of \$22,000 for the contract with
George Reed, Inc. of Modesto, California, for the construction of the South 9th Street at Latimer Avenue,
Federal-Aid Project No. HSIPL-5938(161) Project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs associated to assure the delivery of this project in the amount of \$132,700 (\$84,273 contract;
\$18,000, which includes: quality assurance, inspection, and materials testing; \$8,427 contract change
orders and contingencies, \$22,000 additional contract change order and contingency funds) will be
satisfied with Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Funds (90%) and Public Works Road Funds
(10%). There will be no impact to the Stanislaus County General Fund. The additional contingency funds
requested will be satisfied with the HSIP Funds that have been allocated to the County for the qualified
safety projects, which includes this project.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2011-183

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

The South 9th Street at Latimer Avenue intersection improvement project is a federally funded safety project consisting of extending the existing left turn lane, removal of a portion of the existing raised median and constructing a new median, and placement of pavement markings and striping. The purpose of this project is to improve safety of the southbound traffic by reducing the stacking in the number one lane of southbound 9th Street, reducing the number of rear end collisions at this intersection. Traffic issues in this area of Stanislaus County have been the subject of discussion at multiple regular meetings of the South Modesto Municipal Advisory Council.

On April 6, 2009, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) issued a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Categorical Exemption/Categorical Exclusion Determination for this project.

On July 13, 2010, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) issued an Authorization to Proceed for the project construction phase thereby obligating \$99,893 of Federal funds.

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Class 1, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, #15301 (Existing Facilities). On July 22, 2010, Stanislaus County issued a California Environmental Quality Act Categorical Exemption determination for the project.

On August 17, 2010, the Board of Supervisors approved and adopted the plans and specifications for the South 9th Street at Latimer Avenue, Federal-Aid Project No. HSIPL-5938 (161) Project and directed Public Works staff to publish and mail the notice inviting bids.

On September 29, 2010, four sealed bids were received, publicly read and opened. George Reed, Inc. was the apparent low bidder.

On October 26, 2010, the Board of Supervisors awarded the construction contract for the South 9th Street at Latimer Avenue, Federal-Aid Project No. HSIPL-5938(161) Project to George Reed, Inc.

On February 22, 2011, a Notice to Proceed was given to George Reed, Inc., allowing construction to begin. Upon commencement of the project on Monday, March 7, 2011, the contractor began performing demolition activities associated with the project. The contractor discovered a 14" thick reinforced concrete slab underlying the limits of the project improvements. The existing concrete is assumed to be the old State Route 99 roadway structural section. In order to avoid the extra cost of removing this existing concrete pavement, and to avoid project delay costs, the project design has been revised to place the proposed asphalt concrete section directly on top of the existing concrete slab. This change will result in a substantial increase in the quantity of asphalt concrete by approximately twice the original bid quantity. Asphalt concrete paving operations are currently scheduled to begin the week of March 14th.

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Therefore, an increase in construction contingency funds in the amount of \$22,000 is necessary to complete the estimated additional asphalt concrete paving and to eliminate the risk of construction delay costs. The additional funds requested are in excess of the originally budgeted \$8,427 construction contingency funds.

POLICY ISSUES:

The recommended actions are consistent with the Board's priorities of providing A Safe Community, A Healthy Community and A Well Planned Infrastructure System by improving traffic safety in this unincorporated area of the County.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with this item.

CONTACT PERSON:

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