

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

DEPT: Public Works *H. Johnson*

BOARD AGENDA # *C-1

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE October 27, 2015

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Utilize the Board's Authority Under Public Contract Code Section 22031 to Allow County Workforce to Perform Paving Projects on Quincy Road, Elm Avenue, and Washington Road

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Utilize the Board's authority under Public Contract Code Section 22031 to allow County workforce to perform work on the following paving projects: Quincy Road, Elm Avenue, and Washington Road.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The threshold for the use of force account in road construction or reconstruction projects for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 is \$1,761,127. The use of force account for the identified projects is estimated at \$401,000 well within the allowable limit. Funding for this work is included in the current year's Public Works Road and Bridge Operations budget.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2015-504

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor Monteith
and approved by the following vote,

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

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:

ATTEST:

Christine Ferraro
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

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DISCUSSION:

The Department of Public Works is responsible for the maintenance of roads and bridges within the county of Stanislaus. Historically, the maintenance of the County roads has been performed by County employees. These maintenance activities include pothole patching, overlays, shoulder backing, chip sealing, etc. Since this work is not contracted out, it is considered force account. The term "force account" refers to work performed by county personnel as opposed to contracting out.

Public Contract Code Section 22031(b)(2), amended on January 1, 2013 by Assembly Bill 720, limits road reconstruction by County forces to 30 percent of the total value of all work performed by force account, other than maintenance, as reported in the State Controllers' Streets and Roads Annual report. For Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (most current Annual Road Report available for computation) 30% of the total value of all work performed by force account, by the Department, other than maintenance is \$1,761,127. In Fiscal Year 2014-2015, Public Works declared \$818,000 of force account work.

The remaining balance of reconstruction work is required to be contracted out to private industry. The Streets and Roads Annual Report, and the Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Act, define reconstruction as work consisting of an asphalt concrete overlay of one inch or more.

Assembly Bill 720 was advocated by the Construction Industry Force Account Council, and only applies to those counties with a population greater than 50,000 that participate in the Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Act. Assembly Bill 720 requires that any county acting pursuant Public Contract Code Section 22031(b)(2) shall declare its intention to use this provision prior to commencing work. Staff is requesting that the Board declare its intent to utilize its force account authority.

Public Works proposes to use force account for the following projects in Fiscal Year 2015-2016:

Project Name	Parameters	Construction Cost Estimate
Quincy Road(Paving, shoulder grading/backing, striping)	Monte Vista Avenue to Taylor Road	\$205,000
Elm Avenue (Paving, shoulder grading/backing)	Emerald Avenue to Martin Luther King Drive	\$ 82,000
Widen Washington Road(Paving, shoulder grading/backing)	Bradybury Road to County Line	\$114,000
	Total	\$401,000

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POLICY ISSUES:

The recommended action supports the Board's priorities of A Safe Community and A Well Planned Infrastructure System by improving traffic safety and flow.

Public Contract Code Section 22031(e), as provided in Assembly Bill 720, requires that any county acting pursuant Public Contract Code Section 22031(b)(2) shall declare its intention to use this provision prior to commencing work.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Existing Public Works staff will perform the road work as noted.

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