

## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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**SUBJECT:** AMENDMENT OF TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR AGOURA ROAD WIDENING PROJECT; NIB 14-01

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The Agoura Road Widening Project (Project) encompasses improvements for the ultimate build-out of Agoura Road. The total Project limits are between the westerly City limits to Cornell Road. More specifically, the portion between the westerly city limits and Kanan Road will have four (4) lanes of travel, which has been a consistent requirement since the City's first General Plan in 1985. The portion between Kanan Road and Cornell Road will have two (2) lanes of travel, which is consistent with a subsequent City Council policy directive. The project improvements also include bike paths on both sides, landscaped medians, sidewalks with landscaped parkways, hardscape and street improvements for the Agoura Village Specific Plan Project Area, and undergrounding of utilities, decorative lighting, and an interim traffic signal at the Kanan Road and Agoura Road intersection.

From approximately Ladyface Court to Cornell Road, there is a gap in the recycled water distribution system. The Project bid package included an additive bid for the construction of recycled water mainline, closing the system gap on Agoura Road and allowing the project to be fully irrigated with reclaimed water. The recycled water mainline is owned and operated by the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District (LVMWD).

On December 1, 2014, the City received seven (7) sealed bids for the Project. The bid package included an additive bid for the construction of recycled water mainline. The bidders were required to provide a Base Bid (Agoura Road Widening Project) and a separate bid for the additive item (recycled water mainline). However, the award of bid was made clear to be based only on the Base Bid amount. The lowest responsive bidder was C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. with a Base Bid amount of \$15,656,931.60 and additive item for the recycled water mainline of \$1,510,130.00. At a special meeting held on December 8, 2014, the JPA Board for the recycled water system, operated by LVMWD, decided not to approve the funding for the recycled water mainline extension, because of the higher bid cost compared to their engineer's estimate.

On December 11, 2014, the City awarded the construction contract to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc., in the amount of \$15,656,931.60, which excluded the additive item, since the JPA

Board decided to not move forward on the project at the current time. The City Council followed the award of the contract with a request to the JPA Board to reconsider its decision of the project, considering the importance of water recycling, given the on-going statewide drought, and the “unique opportunity to complete major infrastructure improvements under the umbrella of the same project.”

At a special meeting held on February 2, 2015, the LVMWD Board approved funding for the construction of the recycled water main on Agoura Road, from Ladyface Court to Cornell Road, under the agreement that the City would contribute \$328,574.00 to the project, which would be covered by the Measure R allocation for the Agoura Road Widening Project.

With the approval of the recycled water mainline construction, the total contract amount awarded to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. requires amendment. The amendment of the contract will include C.A. Rasmusen’s additive bid of \$1,510,310.00. The total contract amount for the Project to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. will be \$17,167,061.60, which includes Base Bid plus additive bid.

The Agoura Road Widening Project is included as part of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority’s (Metro) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and is fully funded with Measure R dollars.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council amend the total contract amount for the Agoura Road Widening Project; NIB 14-01 to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc., to \$17,167,061.60.