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AGENDA: June 15, 1999

June 3, 1999

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: HIGHLAND WAY ROAD REPAIR

Members of the Board:

On June 16, 1998, your Board considered a report and recommendation from Public Works regarding the subject road repair. At that time, Public Works had solicited proposals from engineering contractors and received two. **Pavex** submitted a proposal based on \$2.96 per cubic yard and Granite Construction submitted a proposal based on \$3.12 per cubic yard.

Your Board took the necessary actions to allow a contract to be entered into with **Pavex**. Negotiations with **Pavex** stopped when we were unable to obtain access rights to the property. The access rights issue was finally resolved and an access rights agreement was approved by your Board on March 23, 1999. Negotiations resumed with **Pavex**, in anticipation of a summer construction schedule. **Pavex** has since decided they cannot honor their informal bid proposal due to the passage of time. Granite Construction was contacted and has agreed to honor their proposal, which was \$0.16 per cubic yard higher than **Pavex**, for a total cost increase of \$12,000. Sufficient funding is available to cover this cost increase.

In order to allow this project to be constructed during this summer construction season, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors take the following action.

1. Authorize emergency work on Highland Way in the not to exceed amount of \$237,800, without completion of the formal competitive bid process under the provisions of the Public Contracts Code.

- 2. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to order any action necessary to complete the work.
- 3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to enter into an Independent Contractor's Agreement with Granite Construction, not to exceed \$237,800 for the slide removal and opening of Highland Way.

Yours truly,

JTHAM

Director of Public Works

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

copy to: Public Works

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ORDER EMERGENCY WORK

WHEREAS, slides and the closure of Highland Way have created a public safety problem that prevents rapid emergency vehicle response;

WHEREAS, emergency repair efforts were halted when property access rights were denied;

WHEREAS, access rights have been obtained but the delay has caused the original contractor to withdraw their proposal;

WHEREAS, the emergency nature of the situation continues and emergency vehicle access is still impaired;

WHEREAS, the solicitation of competitive bids will delay the repair process such that repairs will not be made before on set of winter rains;

WHEREAS, Public Contracts Code allows the Director of Public Works to order any action required to perform emergency work when approved by resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to direct the performance of up to \$237,800 of emergency slide removal and road opening work on Highland Way by emergency contract or force account.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this <u>o</u> day <u>f</u> 1999, by the following vote:

AYES :SUPERVISORSNOES:SUPERVISORSABSENT:SUPERVISORS

Chairperson of said Board

ATTEST:

Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:

6-8-99

Chief Assistant County Counsel Distribution: County Counsel Public Works

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