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AGENDA: JUNE 25, 2002

June 13, 2002

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

701 Ocean Street
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SUBJECT: BUENA VISTA LANDFILL ENTRANCE FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS
PHASE 1, AWARD OF CONTRACT

Members of the Board:

The Board of Supervisors received three bids for the subject project on May 21, 2002, and directed Public Works to return on June 25, 2002, with a recommendation on the project. Public Works has completed review of the bids and found them to be in order. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$2,200,000, and the low bid was submitted by George W. Davis, Inc., of Watsonville in the amount of \$3,278,500. There is insufficient funding available for this project. The project architect, GEZ of San Francisco, has reviewed the bids and believes the bids to be out of line with comparable project costs for similar work they have performed in the Bay area.


In order to allow this project to be rebid in the next fiscal year, we recommend re-evaluating the project for potential cost-saving changes or reductions and/or consider design changes to allow for phased construction over the next two to three fiscal years. Deferring rebidding to later in the year may also provide benefit as several bidders indicated that they were impacted by several other large construction projects bidding at the same time in the Monterey Bay area.

It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors take the following action:

1. Reject all bids for the Buena Vista Landfill Entrance Facility Improvements, Phase 1.

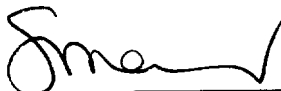
2. Direct Public Works to re-evaluate cost-saving changes to the project prior to rebidding the project in the 2002/2003 fiscal year.

Yours truly,


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RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:



County Administrative Officer

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