



Resource Management Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: September 15, 2020

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez PHONE: 559-624-7010

SUBJECT: Award Contract for Construction of Community Accessibility Enhancement Project 2.0

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Witbro Inc. doing business as Seal Rite Paving & Grading of Fresno, California, in the amount of \$376,613 for construction of Community Accessibility Enhancement Project 2.0, in the communities of Terra Bella, Ivanhoe, Pixley and Cutler, effective upon approval by the Board of Supervisors; and
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the contract after review and approval as to form by County Counsel and upon receipt of certificates of insurance, bonds and evidence that the contractor possesses a valid State Contractor's License; and
3. Allow funds for contingencies in the amount \$31,330 to cover unexpected construction conditions; and
4. Authorize the Director of the Resource Management Agency or designee to approve contract change orders up to the amount of allowed funds for contingencies.

SUMMARY:

The Community Accessibility Enhancement Project 2.0 (Project) consists of improvements in the communities of Terra Bella, Ivanhoe, Pixley, and Cutler. The

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subject projects were approved by your Board in the 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 County Transportation Improvement Program (CTIP); the CTIP is an annual program that provides a summary and breakdown of Resource Management Agency's improvements and maintenance strategy of the County's transportation infrastructure for its respective fiscal year.

Provided below is a summary of the four project locations:

- Location 1 – Pepper Avenue between Road 237 and Road 238, Terra Bella
- Location 2 – Avenue 328 at Road 159, Ivanhoe
- Location 3 – Terra Bella Avenue at Elm Street, Pixley
- Location 4 – 2nd Drive and Orosi Drive, Cutler

Improvements at Location 1 (Terra Bella) include construction of ADA curb ramps, sidewalk, asphalt pave-outs, and crosswalk striping along the north side of Pepper Avenue between Road 237 and Road 238.

Improvements at Location 2 (Ivanhoe) include construction of ADA curb ramps, concrete islands, asphalt pave-outs and updated signs and crosswalk striping at the intersection of Avenue 328 at Road 159.

Improvements at Location 3 (Pixley) include construction of concrete islands, asphalt pave-outs and updated signs and crosswalk striping at the intersection of Terra Bella Avenue (Avenue 96) and Elm Street.

Improvements at Location 4 (Cutler) include construction of ADA curb ramps, curb and gutter, sidewalk, drainage improvements, driveway, asphalt pave-outs and updated signs and crosswalk striping at the intersection of 2nd Drive and Orosi Drive.

The improvements at the Ivanhoe and Pixley locations will also include installation of new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) system with push button and Advance Warning Beacons to improve pedestrian crossing safety at the intersections. These have been previously purchased for Measure R projects and will be installed by County forces upon completion of the project.

Construction Bids

The Project was authorized to bid by your Board (Resolution No. 2020-0442) on July 21, 2020. Bids were opened on August 20, 2020 and four (4) bids were received, summarized as follows:

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Contractor	Total Bid
Witbro Inc. dba Seal Rite Paving & Grading	\$376,613.00
Bush Engineering Inc.	\$404,861.00
Avison Construction Inc.	\$451,205.00
American Paving Co.	\$506,550.25
Engineer's Estimate	\$643,490.00

The lowest bid in the amount of \$376,613 was submitted by Seal Rite Paving and Grading, of Fresno, CA. This bid is 41 percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate. The highly competitive bids came in lower than the Engineer's Estimate due to the current competitive bidding environment being experienced. Based on staff's analysis of the bids, the reduced project costs came mainly as a result of lower than estimated costs for Roadway Excavation, Aggregate Base, Hot Mix Asphalt and Minor Concrete Sidewalk/Curb Ramp when compared to the Engineer's Estimate. The cost of lump sum items such as Mobilization can greatly vary based on availability of local contractors and the competitiveness of the bidding market.

Based on the information mentioned above, it is Resource Management Agency staff's recommendation that the Board award the contract to Seal Rite Paving & Grading, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Seal Rite Paving & Grading has satisfactorily performed similar projects, where they demonstrated that they (1) have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, (2) are able to comply with the associated legal or regulatory requirements, (3) have or can obtain necessary data, equipment, and facilities, and (4) is otherwise eligible and qualified to receive award.

If awarded, construction is anticipated to begin in October 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

No net County cost to the General Fund.

Funding for the Community Accessibility Enhancement Project 2.0 is 100% funded by Measure R Local Program funds that are allocated to Tulare County. A summary of the total project costs for the Project are as follows:

Engineering Design:	\$70,000
Construction:	\$376,613
Contingencies:	\$31,330
Construction Engineering:	\$75,000
Total:	\$552,943

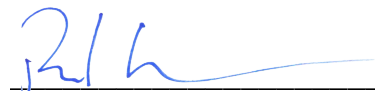
LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Safety and Security and Economic Well Being - This project will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for both the

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general population in the region and the local users of this facility.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Reed Schenke, P.E.
Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Attachment A – Vicinity Map

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF AWARD CONTRACT) Resolution No. _____
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNITY) Agreement No. _____
ACCESSIBILITY ENHANCEMENT)
PROJECT 2.0)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2020,
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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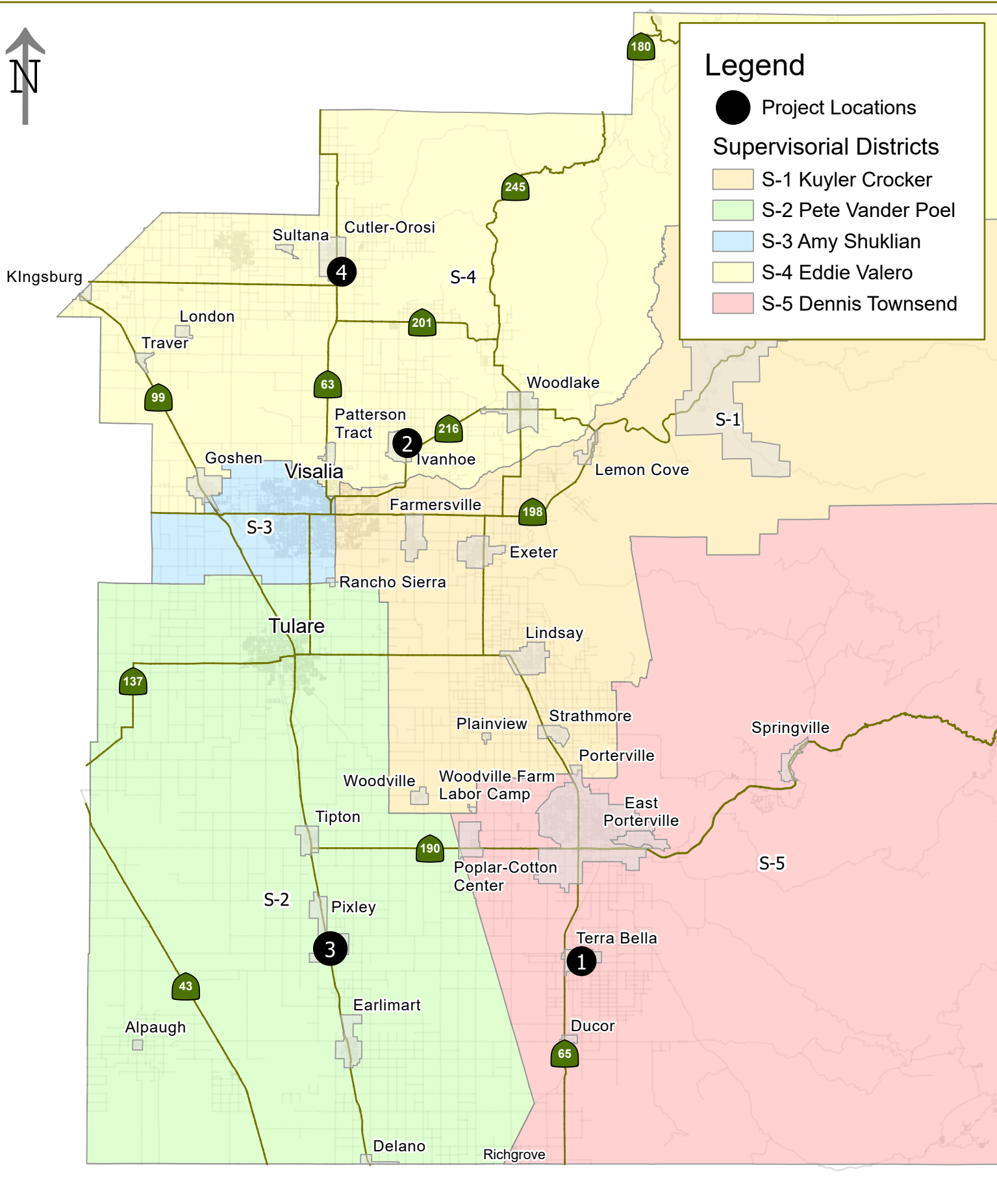
Attachment A

Vicinity Map



Legend

- Project Locations
- Supervisory Districts**
 - S-1 Kuyler Crocker
 - S-2 Pete Vander Poel
 - S-3 Amy Shuklian
 - S-4 Eddie Valero
 - S-5 Dennis Townsend



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