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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

SUBMITTAL DATE:
 July 8, 2008

FROM: Redevelopment Agency

SUBJECT: Thousand Palms Fire Station and Training Center Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board:

1. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement with Earth Systems for Material Inspection and Testing services; and
2. Authorize change order authority to the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside or designee in the amount of ten percent of the contract amount.

BACKGROUND:

On June 10, 2008, the Board approved a contract with Eberhardt Construction for construction of the Thousand Palms Fire Station and Training Facility. The project is located in the unincorporated community of Thousand Palms. The Redevelopment Agency and the County Fire Department have proposed the construction of a new 7,800-square-foot, 3-bay, heavy urban fire station on a 3.3-acre site located on the northeast corner of Ramon Road and Robert Road. (Continued on page 2)

Departmental Concurrence

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Robin Zimpfer
 Robin Zimpfer
 Executive Director

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 82,920	In Current Year Budget:	YES
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	NO
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	08/09

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA: NO

SOURCE OF FUNDS: DCPA Redevelopment Capital Improvement Funds	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE
Jennifer L. Sargent
 BY: Jennifer L. Sargent

County Executive Office Signature

Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 4.4 4/25/06; 4.3 7/3/07; 4.1 2/26/08; 4.1 6/10/08	District: 4	Agenda Number:
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**ATTACHMENTS FILED
 WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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BACKGROUND (continued):

The new station and improved location will greatly enhance public safety in the community. The project includes the construction of a 4,500-square-foot Fire Technology Training Center adjacent to the new fire station. This multi-purpose facility will be used in conjunction with the College of the Desert's (COD) Public Safety Academy's Fire Technology Program. This program is used to develop trained and skilled fire personnel in the Coachella Valley and eastern Riverside County. COD will develop the remainder of the 3.3-acre site with specialized training facilities and equipment.

On April 25, 2008, the Agency issued a Request for Proposal for Material Inspection and Testing services for the project. Eleven bids were received and Earth Systems was selected based on their bid, experience and qualifications with similar public facility projects. Therefore, it is recommended by staff that the Board award the contract to Earth Systems for Materials Inspection and Testing in the amount of \$82,920.00 and approve the attached agreement. This amount is within the project budget approved by the Board on June 10, 2008.