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

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FROM: Redevelopment Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
 May 6, 2010

SUBJECT: Approval of Plans and Specifications and Authorization to advertise Notice Inviting Bids for the Thermal Water and Sewer Improvements Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Directors:

1. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the Water and Sewer Improvements Project; and
2. Authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Notice Inviting Bids for the Thermal Water and Sewer Improvements Project.

BACKGROUND: On July 21, 2009, the Board of Directors made findings in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 33445 and approved the Thermal Water, Sewer and Road Improvements Project. The unincorporated community of Thermal suffers from poor infrastructure, which is a barrier to development for the rural community.

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Robert Field

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 Executive Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	09/10

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA: No

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Redevelopment Agency Capital Improvement Funds – Desert Communities Project Area	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.: 3.50, 4.9 of 7/21/09; 4.1 of 4/29/08; 4.1 of 11/25/05; 4.1 of 10/25/05

District: 4

Agenda Number:

ATTACHMENTS FILED
 WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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BACKGROUND: (Continued)

The Thermal Water and Sewer Improvements Project involves the installation of water lines, sanitary sewer lines, and road improvements, and the replacement of irrigation and drain lines within the Thermal Sub-Area of the Desert Communities Project Area (DCPA). These improvements are necessary to provide the domestic water, sewer and fire flow capacity requirements for the development of current and future public projects that include a new Sheriff Station and a Public Safety Aviation Facility, which are currently under construction, and a new Fire Station, which is scheduled to begin construction soon. In addition, by increasing the capacity of these services, the project will remove barriers to the development of commercial and industrial projects along the Airport Boulevard corridor due to lack of adequate infrastructure in the area.

This component of the project is the installation of water and sewer lines. The funding for the Thermal Water and Sewer Improvements Project will come from Redevelopment Agency Capital Improvement Funds-DCPA and will not impact the County's General Fund.

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an environmental assessment of the impacts of the construction of all of the improvements were conducted. Based on the Initial Study a potentially significant impact was identified, but revisions made prior to release for public review mitigate the effects to a point where no significant effect would occur and a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program have been prepared and adopted by the Board of Directors.

The Coachella Valley Water District is the utility provider for these improvements and has completed their plan check review, approved the Plans, and will be inspecting the installation of these improvements. County Counsel has reviewed and approved the specifications as to form; therefore, EDA staff recommends that the Board approve the Plans and Specifications for the Water and Sewer Improvements Project and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise Notice Inviting Bids.

Attachments:

Specifications
Notice Inviting Bids