

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM
3.26
(ID # 6622)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, June 26, 2018

FROM : ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA) AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT :

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA) AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT: Riverside County Fire Department Homeland Station 54 Perimeter Fencing Project - California Environmental Quality Act Exempt, Approval of In-Principle and Project Budget, District 5. [\$169,770 - Structural Fire Taxes-49% and Fire Department General Fund-51%]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Riverside County Fire Department Homeland Station 54 Perimeter Fencing (Riverside Co Fire Station 54 Fencing) Project for inclusion on the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project list;
2. Find that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities Exemption and Section 15061 (b)(3) "Common Sense" Exemption;
3. Approve in-principle the Riverside Co Fire Station 54 Fencing Project located in Homeland, California, to secure the Fire Station due to vandalism;
4. Approve a project budget in the amount of \$169,770 for the Project;

ACTION: Policy, CIP


Robert Field, Assistant County Executive Officer/ECD

6/11/2018



Daniel Talbot, Chief Cal Fire Riverside County

6/11/2018

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington and Perez
Nays: None
Absent: Ashley
Date: June 26, 2018
xc: EDA, Fire, Purchasing

Kecja Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the use of Structural Fire Taxes and the Fire Department General Fund, including reimbursement to the Economic Development Agency (EDA) for incurred project related expenses;
2. Delegate project management authority for the Project to the Assistant County Executive Officer/ECD in accordance with applicable Board policies, including the authority to utilize consultants on the approved pre-qualified list for services in connection with the project, and are within the approved project budget; and
5. Authorize the Purchasing Department to execute consultant services agreements for consultants that have been pre-qualified for services up to \$100,000, per fiscal year, in accordance with applicable Board policies for this project.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 12,000	\$ 157,770	\$ 169,770	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 6,120	\$ 80,463	\$ 86,583	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Structural Fire Taxes - 49% and Fire Department General Fund - 51%			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 2017/18-2018/19	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

On April 10, 2017, County Fire initiated a project request to install perimeter fencing for Fire Station 54 located in Homeland, California. Due to vandalism and break-ins, there is a need to secure the perimeter of the fire station. The scope of work includes the installation of new ornamental fencing with an automatic gate, man gate, loops, a keypad, and Knox box.

On August 18, 2015, Item 3-28, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved a pre-qualified list of architectural and engineering firms to be retained on an as-needed basis. Due to their experience, EDA has selected STK of Temecula from the pre-qualified list to provide architectural and engineering services for the project.

EDA recommends the Board approve the Riverside Co Fire Station 54 Fencing project and project budget in the amount of \$169,770 to move forward and meet projected deadlines. EDA will pursue the most cost effective project delivery method and award in accordance with applicable Board policies.

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Pursuant to CEQA, the Project was reviewed and determined to be categorically exempt under State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 Existing Facilities Exemption; and Section 15061(b)(3), General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption. The Project, as proposed, is limited to minor improvements to an existing County-owned facility, consisting of perimeter fencing and accessibility improvements. The improvements to the fire station would not alter the function of the facility; it involves a negligible expansion of the use of the facility to continue to provide fire services. With certainty, there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment because it merely involves minor alterations to an existing facility to provide necessary security upgrades to allow for better use and functioning of the property. A Notice of Exemption will be filed by EDA staff with the County Clerk within five days of Board approval.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

Installation of the new perimeter fencing and automatic gates at County Fire Station 54 will provide the Fire Department enhanced security for staff and reduce vandalism to the facility.

Additional Fiscal Information

The approximate allocation of the project budget is as follows:

PROJECT BUDGET LINE ITEMS	CATEGORY	PROJECT BUDGET AMOUNT
Architectural Design	1	0
Construction Management	2	0
Construction Contract	3	134,285
Offsite Construction	4	0
Project Management	5	6,260
Fixtures, Furnishings, Equipment	6	0
Other Soft Costs/Specialty Consultants	7	9,700
Project Contingency	8	14,525
Minor Construction	9	5,000
Project Budget		\$ 169,770

All costs associated with this Board action will be 49% funded with Structural Fire Taxes and 51% funded with Fire Department General Funds. Expenditures for FY 2017/18 are estimated at \$12,000; expenditures for FY 2018/19 are estimated at \$157,770.


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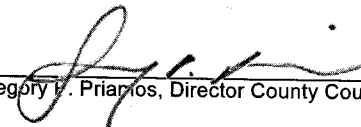
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Rekini Lawna, Principal Management Analyst 6/18/2018


Alex Gann 6/18/2018


Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel 6/14/2018



Original Negative Declaration/Notice of Determination was routed to County Clerks for posting on.

VIA EDA

_____ Date

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

March 20, 2018

Project Name: County of Riverside Fire Station 54 Perimeter Fencing Project

Project Number: FM08270008566

Project Location: 25730 Sultanas Road, south of Triple Crown Road, Homeland, California; Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 457-340-027

Description of Project: The County of Riverside owns a facility located at 25730 Sultanas Road in the unincorporated community of Homeland that contains Fire Station 54. On April 10, 2017, County Fire initiated a project request to install perimeter fencing for Fire Station 54. Due to vandalism and break-ins, there is a need to secure the perimeter of the fire station. The scope of work includes the installation of new perimeter fencing with an automatic gate, man gate, loops, a keypad, and Knox box. The improvements to Fire Station 54 are identified as the proposed project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). No substantial increase in capacity or expansion of the existing facility will occur. The operation of the facility will continue to provide fire suppression services and no additional direct or indirect physical environmental impacts are anticipated.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Riverside, Economic Development Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: County of Riverside, Economic Development Agency

Exempt Status: State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities Exemption; and Section 15061(b) (3), General Rule or "Common Sense" Exemption, Codified under Title 14, Articles 5 and 19, Sections 15061 and 15300 to 15301).

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project is exempt from the provisions of CEQA specifically by CEQA Guidelines as identified below. The project will not result in any specific or general exceptions to the use of the categorical exemption as detailed under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2. The project will not cause an impact to an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern nor would the project include a reasonable possibility of having a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. The project would not result in impacts to scenic highways, hazardous waste sites, historic resources, or other sensitive natural environments, or have a cumulative effect to the environment. No significant environmental impacts are anticipated to occur with the perimeter fencing improvements at Fire Station 54.

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- **Section 15301 – Class 1 Existing Facilities Exemption:** This categorical exemption includes the operation, repair, maintenance, leasing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities, provided the exemption only involves negligible or no expansion of the previous site's use. The project, as proposed, is limited to improvements at an existing County-owned facility. The project does not require the construction of new buildings or an additions to existing buildings, or additional parking areas. The site is currently developed and does not contain environmentally sensitive areas. The existing facility has been operating as a fire station. In order to improve the quality of fire suppression services being provided, additional security improvements are needed. Implementation of the improvements would result in the continued use of the site in a similar capacity; therefore, the project is exempt as the project meets the scope and intent of the Class 1 Exemption identified in Section 15301, Article 19, Categorical Exemptions of the CEQA Guidelines.
- **Section 15061 (b)(3) - "Common Sense" Exemption:** In accordance with CEQA, the use of the Common Sense Exemption is based on the "general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment." State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b) (3). The use of this exemption is appropriate if "it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment." *Ibid*. This determination is an issue of fact and if sufficient evidence exists in the record that the activity cannot have a significant effect on the environment, then the exemption applies and no further evaluation under CEQA is required. See *No Oil, Inc. v. City of Los Angeles* (1974) 13 Cal. 3d 68. The ruling in this case stated that if a project falls within a category exempt by administrative regulation or 'it can be seen with certainty that the activity in question will not have a significant effect on the environment', no further agency evaluation is required. With certainty, there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment as the proposed project would add perimeter fencing and accessibility improvements to secure the site and the purpose and intensity of use of the site would remain unchanged. Therefore, in no way, would the project as proposed have the potential to cause a significant environmental impact and the project is exempt from further CEQA analysis.

Based upon the identified exemptions above, the County of Riverside, Economic Development Agency hereby concludes that no physical environmental impacts are anticipated to occur and the project as proposed is exempt under CEQA. No further environmental analysis is warranted.

Signed:  Date: 3/20/18

Mike Sullivan, Senior Environmental Planner
County of Riverside, Economic Development Agency

RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER

**AUTHORIZATION
TO BILL
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER**

Project Name: Fire Station 54 Perimeter Fencing Project

Accounting String: 542040-30100-7200800000- FM08270008566

DATE: March 20, 2018

AGENCY: Riverside County Economic Development Agency

THIS AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER TO BILL FOR FILING AND HANDLING FEES FOR THE ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT(S).

NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED: One (1)

AUTHORIZED BY: Mike Sullivan, Senior Environmental Planner, Economic Development Agency

Signature: 

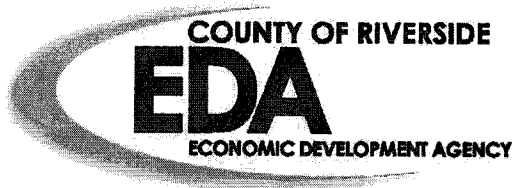
PRESENTED BY: Blanca Limon, Facilities Project Manager II, Economic Development Agency

-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-

ACCEPTED BY: -

DATE: -

RECEIPT # (S) -



Date: March 20, 2018
To: Mary Ann Meyer, Office of the County Clerk
From: Mike Sullivan, Senior Environmental Planner, Project Management Office
Subject: **County of Riverside Economic Development Agency Project # FM08270008566**
Fire Station 54 Perimeter Fencing Project

The Riverside County's Economic Development Agency's Project Management Office is requesting that you post the attached Notice of Exemption. Attached you will find an authorization to bill by journal voucher for your posting fee.

After posting, please return the document to:

Mail Stop #1330

Attention: Mike Sullivan, Senior Environmental Planner,

Economic Development Agency,

3403 10th Street, Suite 400, Riverside, CA 92501

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Sullivan at 955-8009.

Attachment

cc: file