December 5, 2006

Marin County Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Award of Contract, Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Traffic Signal Improvements

County Project No. SFDRS

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION: 1. Award contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Republic ITS of Novato, in the amount of \$97,780 and authorize a contract contingency for \$12,000; and 2. Instruct the Auditor Controller to make the necessary budget changes listed below.

SUMMARY: The work consists of signal upgrades, including controller cabinet replacement, installing pedestrian countdown heads, painting signal head and back plates, and other related items along the east-west Sir Francis Drake Blvd. corridor. This project does not include the installation of bicycle detector loops. It was found that they would not facilitate bicycle travel along this corridor because the traffic signals already automatically remain green except when a vehicle is queued at a cross street. Traffic signal work will be performed at each signal along Sir Francis Drake Blvd. from Eliseo Drive to Elm Avenue, excluding College Avenue which was upgraded last year. We do not expect significant traffic impacts from this construction operation. On November 16, 2006 the following bids were received:

Bidder	Bid Amount
Republic ITS, Novato	\$97,780
Steiny and Company, Inc., Vallejo	117,950
WBE, Novato	132,969
Mike Brown Electric Co., Cotati	149,840

FISCAL IMPACT: This project is supported by a Hazard Elimination Safely (HES) Program Federal grant. Instruct the Auditor Controller to increase appropriations in the DPW Special Project Fund 10000, Fund Center 4100993008, commitment item number 5220400 to \$109,780, offset by a transfer of appropriations in the amount of \$34,780 from Fund Center 4100121000, revenue commitment item number 9000358, and \$75,000 in HES grant funds.

REVIEWED BY:	[X] Auditor Controller	[] N/A
	County Counsel	[X] N/A
	[] Human Resources	[X] N/A
Respectfully submitted,		

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