



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Public Works



Date: October 16, 2014
Board Meeting Date: November 18, 2014
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: James C. Porter, Director of Public Works

Subject: New Public Safety and Emergency Management Facility

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution:

- A) Accepting Bridging Documents for the Design and Construction of a new Public Safety and Emergency Management facility; and
- B) Authorizing the Director of Public Works, and/or his designee, to publish a Request for Qualifications and Proposals from Design-Build firms for development of the project.

BACKGROUND:

For many years the County of San Mateo has operated its public dispatch and Emergency Operations Center in available spaces within the County's Redwood City Government Center (CGC) facilities. These facilities were never designed for, nor intended to receive, these essential functions. Additionally, the County's primary Data Center occupies an oversized area within County Office Building 1, which has been adapted over the years to accommodate evolving ambient temperature and technical requirements. None of these existing facilities provide the mandated requirements for an "Essential Facility" (i.e. suitable for immediate occupancy following a major disaster) of the California Building Code.

DISCUSSION:

The Department of Public Works (Department) has developed conceptual plans and a course of action for delivering a new facility in the shortest possible timeframe. The new PSC/EOC/Data Center building will be sited at the current location of the Motor Pool/Radio Shop immediately north of County Office Building 1 adjacent to Winslow Street. The Department has determined that constructing this facility through a design-build process, as provided by Public Contract Code Section 20133, will offer the best

value and shortest implementation schedule for the County. Accordingly, with the support of MWA (Architects) and Cumming Corp (Construction Management), the Department created Bridging Documents which summarize the due diligence and programming conducted with stakeholders and staff, and details the full scope, size, siting, adjacencies and conceptual design for the project. These documents will serve as the basis for a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (RFQP) for delivery of the project by a design-build entity, as required by Public Contract Code.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Approval of these actions will contribute to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by integrating essential public emergency response services in a state of the art facility.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The new Public Safety and Emergency Management Facility is included in the County's Five Year Facilities Capital Plan with Measure A funds budgeted for the project, of which \$4.3M has been appropriated in the Capital Projects budget for FY2014-15. Total project cost is estimated at approximately \$37M, which includes \$35M for the new building and \$2M for relocation of the Radio Shop and fueling functions that currently occupy the site to Grant Yard.

There is no impact to the General Fund.

Attachment A: Location Map

Attachment B: Block Diagram