RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-209

MEETING: May 13, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Peter Rei, Public Works Director

RE: Approve a Budget Action Allocating Funds for the Bridgeport Fire Station Project

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve Budget Action Transferring Funding from the Government Center Debt Service Fund to the Bridgeport Fire Station Fund ($67,929). The current budget approved by the Board for the Bridgeport Fire Station project is $623,444. The total cost to complete the project is now $691,372.56. In order to pay all of the bills to complete the project the budget needs to be increased by $67,928.56.

The additional project costs experienced during design and construction of the project are summarized below:

1. Change Orders processed to date:
The project has experienced four change orders to date accommodate unanticipated issues that have arisen during construction. The total cost of these change orders is $9,250. These included large rock removal for increased site distance along roadway, additional ridge vents per Building Department inspection, relocation of propane tank per direction from County Fire, tie-downs of the propane and water tanks per Building Department and installation of flashing warning signs along roadway to reduce vehicle speeds when the fire station is responding to emergency calls. These Change Orders have been approved by the Public Works Director using his authority to approve Change Orders of up to 10% of the bid price.

2. Change Orders in progress:
The actual amount of sidewalk being constructed on the project is greater than the original estimate from the contractor's bid. This will require an additional $1,960 (Change Order #5). This Change Order will be approved by the Public Works Director using his authority to approve Change Orders of up to 10% of the bid price once the contractor signs the Change Order.

3. Additional Change Orders not yet negotiated with the contractor:
There are a few unresolved issues that we are still negotiating prices for with
the contractor. These issues involve warning signs and flashing beacons to alert motorists that a fire engine will be entering Old Highway, the construction of tie-downs for the propane and water tanks, construction of an enclosure for the air compressor, additional insulation for the pump house and the addition of a booster pump for the domestic water supply. These Change Orders will be approved by the Public Works Director using his authority to approve Change Orders of up to 10% of the bid price once the negotiations with the contractor for pricing are concluded. Our estimate for these remaining items is $11,800.

The total cost of all change orders for the contract approved to date and currently in negotiation is $23,010 (3.47% of the original bid price).

4. Revised design of fire station:
   On May 14, 2013 the Board authorized a contract with Golden Valley Engineering for a price not-to-exceed $25,000 to redesign the steel building plans to a wood structure. The actual cost of this work was $21,310.

5. Specialty Inspections:
   Also on May 14, 2013 the Board approved an additional $25,000 contract amendment with Golden Valley Engineering to provide specialty inspections that the Building Department was unable to provide.

6. Higher power usage:
   Power service to the fire station was designed originally for normal usage requiring a 400 amp service with PG & E. However, additional equipment that County Fire requested for the fire station required that the service be increased to a 600 amp service. This resulted in $10,556 in increased engineering costs from PG & E which are payable from the project budget.

7. Materials Testing:
   On all construction projects the County requires that a private testing firm certify that the soil compaction density, asphalt density and concrete strength for materials used to construct the project meet the requirements of our Plans and Specifications. Public Works authorized a contract with Technicon, a private testing firm, to perform the necessary testing at a cost of $2,445.

8. Additional Equipment:
   At the request of the County Fire Department some additional hose reels were purchased at a cost of $1,927.06

9. Cost to advertise the project as required by law:
   Following approval of the Plans and Specifications by the Board of Supervisors the project was advertised for bids in the Mariposa Gazette as required by state law. The cost of the advertising was $594.

10. Building Permit:
The conditions of the project required the Public Works Department to apply for a Building Permit and pay for the costs on behalf of the contractor. The cost of the building permit was $2,050.50.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The CEQA Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project was completed and the Notice of Determination was filed on December 8, 2010.

In 2011 the Board approved the award of a contract to Palmer Tractor for the initial site work at the Bridgeport Fire Station site. The work was completed in early 2012.

On August 16, 2011, the Board awarded a contract to Swift Lee Inc. In the amount of $48,500 to design a metal building for the Bridgeport Fire Station project.

On May 22, 2012, the Board approved Amendment #1 to the contract with Swift Lee Inc. For $9,400 to incorporate County-requested changes to the original design of the station. This brought the total compensation amount for their contract to $57,900.

On September 4, 2012 the Board approved Amendment #2 to the contract with Swift Lee Inc. to extend the term of the contract to June 30, 2013. There was no financial adjustment made to the compensation.

On January 13, 2013 the Board of Supervisors approved the Plans and Specifications for a steel building and authorized the project to be advertised for bids.

January - May 2013 Staff worked with the Fire Station Committee to modify the original design concept of the Bridgeport Fire Station and changed the plan from a steel building to a wood frame building in an effort to reduce costs.

On May 14, 2013 the Board authorized a contract with Golden Valley Engineering for a price not-to-exceed $25,000 to redesign the steel building plans to a wood structure. The actual cost of this work turned out to be $21,310.

On May 14, 2013 the Board approved a contract for a price not-to-exceed $25,000 with Golden Valley Engineering to provide specialty inspections that the Building Department was unable to provide.

On June 25, 2013 the Board approved the modified Plans and Specifications for a wood frame building and authorized the project to be re-advertised for bids.

On August 8, 2013, Public Works received four bids from contractors wishing to build the Bridgeport Fire Station. The lowest responsible bidder was determined to be Lee Way Construction with a bid amount of $606,440. The bid was accepted, the contract was signed and Leeway was instructed to proceed with construction of the project.
ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The Board could choose not to award the budget increase. The result would be that
the Bridgeport Fire Station would not be able to acquire the Certificate of Occupancy
which allows the building to be used as intended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Funds made available from refinancing the Government Center COP will be used
for this project.

ATTACHMENTS:
Budget Action Form (XLS)
Bridgeport Budget Summary (PDF)

CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Lee Stetson, District I Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier
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**TOTAL** $67,929 $67,929

### TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS

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**TOTALS** $0 $0

**ACTION REQUESTED:** (Check all that apply)

- [X] Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;

- [ ] Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

**JUSTIFICATION:** Savings from the refinance of the Government Center is requested to be used to provide additional funds for the completion of the Bridgeport Fire Station

**DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE** [Signature] **DATE** 5/1/2014

**APPROVED BY RES NO.** 14-209 **CLERK** [Signature] **DATE** 5-14-14

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