



# Resource Management Agency

## COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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**AGENDA DATE:** June 29, 2021

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	N/A

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**SUBJECT:** Award Contract for Construction of the Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Avison Construction Inc. of Madera, California, in the amount of \$1,973,108 for construction of the Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project; and
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the contract after review and approval as to form by County Counsel and upon receipt of certificates of insurance, bonds, and evidence that the contractor possesses a valid State Contractor's License; and
3. Allow funds for contingencies in the amount of \$111,155 to cover unexpected construction conditions; and
4. Authorize the Director of the Resource Management Agency, or his/her designee, to approve contract change orders up to the amount of allowed funds for contingencies.

**SUMMARY:**

The Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project (the Project) is a road maintenance project consisting of the repair of asphalt materials on Avenue 152 between the alignment of Road 136 (0.5 miles west of Road 140) and Road 168 near the unincorporated community of Tipton.

The Project is intended to enhance the safety and security of the public by providing well

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maintained public roadways. The work to be done consists, in general, of the installation of new (replacement) asphalt surfacing, as well as full depth pulverization of existing asphalt materials followed by the application of new (replacement) asphalt surfacing. All project locations will include corrective work to be performed on the roadway shoulders. In addition, all newly resurfaced roadways will receive new rumble strips, traffic stripes, and pavement markings. The Project does not include any new travel lanes or any expansion to the existing roadways.

### **Construction Bids**

The Project` was authorized to bid by the Board of Supervisors on May 11, 2021 (Resolution No. 2021-0343). Bids were opened on June 9, 2021, and six (6) bids were received, summarized as follows:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Bid</b>
Avison Construction, Inc.	\$ 1,973,108.00
Granite Construction Company	\$ 2,007,783.91
Teichert Construction	\$ 2,015,000.00
Cal Valley Construction, Inc.	\$ 2,099,113.00
MAC General Engineering	\$ 2,138,912.40
Emmett's Excavation, Inc.	\$ 2,371,691.89
<b>Engineer's Estimate</b>	<b>\$ 2,371,333.20</b>

The lowest bid (the basis of award) in the amount of \$1,973,108 was submitted by Avison Construction, Inc. This bid is \$398,225.20 (16.8 percent) lower than the Engineer's Estimate. Based on staff's analysis of the bids, the reduced project cost came in mainly because of lower than estimated cost for Hot Mix Asphalt (Type A) when compared to the Engineer's Estimate.

It is staff's recommendation that the Board award the contract to Avison Construction Inc., the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Avison Construction Inc. has satisfactorily performed projects for Tulare County, where it has demonstrated that it (1) has adequate financial resources to perform the contract, (2) is able to comply with the associated legal or regulatory requirements, (3) has or can obtain necessary data, equipment, and facilities, and (4) is otherwise eligible and qualified to receive award.

Construction is anticipated to begin in August of 2021.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

No net County cost to the General Fund.

Funding for the Avenue 152 Rehabilitation Project includes Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds and Local Road funds budgeted for this project in the 2020/2021 County Transportation Improvement Program (20/21 CTIP).

Funding Sources are as follows:

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Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Funds:	\$	1,775,000
Road Funds:	\$	439,263
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 2,214,263</b>

Estimated Project Costs:

Engineering Design:	\$	50,000
Construction:	\$	1,973,108
Contingencies:	\$	111,155
Construction Engineering:	\$	80,000
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$ 2,214,263</b>

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

This project will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for both the general population in the region and the motorists using this facility.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

**/s/ Reed Schenke**

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Reed Schenke  
Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment A – Vicinity Map