

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: June 10, 2008

FROM: KEN GREHM / WILL GARNER *KG*

SUBJECT: PLACER COMMUTER EXPRESS CONTRACT AWARD

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chairman to execute a one-year contract in the amount of \$585,000, with the option to renew for up to one additional year, with Amador Stage Lines for the operation of Placer Commuter Express.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

Placer Commuter Express is a commuter bus service that runs along the I-80 corridor between Colfax and Downtown Sacramento with three round trips on weekdays. The service contract was awarded to Amador Stage Lines in 2004, for a four-year period ending on June 30, 2008. Amador Stage Lines has dedicated three buses to this service which required retrofitting the buses with wheelchair lifts, wheelchair stations and "Placer Commuter Express" lettering. Amador Stage Lines has performed well over the four years of the contract and has aided significantly with the start-up and growth of the service. Amador is proposing no increase in the charge to Placer County for Fiscal Year 2008/09. Average daily ridership in March, 2008, on the three round trips was 241, which is a 34% increase since the beginning of the fiscal year.

Placer DPW has a Federal Transit Administration Grant for three buses that will be purchased for this service. DPW expects the new buses will be delivered between August and December of 2009. Until those buses are available, DPW will need to continue contracting with Amador Stage Lines to provide the buses. This contract allows for renewal through June of 2010.

In accordance with the Purchasing Policy Manual, Section 1.3 (o), County policy allows for the renewal of a contract based on the satisfactory service and reasonable pricing offered by the vendor. The Placer County Procurement Division provided guidance on this contract renewal and has consented to DPW awarding the contract under this provision of the Purchasing Policy Manual.

ENVIRONMENTAL

This project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code 21080(b)(10), as it is a project to provide passenger service.

FISCAL IMPACT

Amador Stage Line's rate is unchanged from the current fiscal year. DPW has budgeted adequately in the proposed 2008/09 Budget for these services.

Attachments: Resolution

A copy of the Contract is on file for viewing with the Clerk of the Board.

**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of: ADOPT A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
BOARD TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH
AMADOR STAGE LINES IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$585,000.

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:.....

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors
of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____

by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Attest:
Clerk of said Board

Chair, Board of Supervisors

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that this Board authorizes the Chairman to execute a one-year contract in the amount of \$585,000, with the option to renew for up to one additional year, with Amador Stage Lines for the operation of Placer Commuter Express.