MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: July 6, 2016

SUBJECT: Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving.

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract with Hardy & Harper, Inc. for asphalt paving in an amount not to exceed $550,000.

Background: In May 2016 MRCA put out a public bid for asphalt paving unit prices. The bid was for a unit price for over twenty options of asphalt paving types and related work, including different depths of asphalt from 3-6 inches, base material layers, removals, curbs, crackfill, speed bumps, etc. On June 1, 2016, three (3) contractors submitted prices. The lowest bid was determined from a sample project scenario, which was based on the amount of work anticipated for the Joughin Ranch road improvement project. The nature of that project, and other road work projects, is that it is difficult to exactly quantify the work in drawings because conditions in the field vary widely. Road and pavement conditions at a single site can vary widely, with some areas needing only patching and others requiring full-depth removal and replacement. The intent of this bid is to have a pre-agreed upon unit price, renewable for up to five years, making it possible to accurately budget projects. Exact boundaries and specifications of each paving project can be determined in the field, in consultation with the paving contractor and construction manager when appropriate. The option to put a paving project out for a new, separate public bid will still be available to MRCA.

Section 3.2(c) of the MRCA’s Purchasing and Contracting Procedures states that all construction and improvement contracts in excess of $25,000 must be approved by the Governing Board. Staff, in consultation with MRCA’s construction manager (TELACU), reviewed the bids and references and determined Hardy and Harper, Inc. to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with Public Contract Code section 20815 et seq. The full list of bids and Hardy and Harper, Inc.’s bid form are attached. A Notice of Intent to Award Bid was issued on June 22, 2016.
Consideration: The contract with Hardy and Harper, Inc. is for $550,000. This amount is sufficient to complete the work required for the Joughin Ranch road improvements with funding that is already secured. Additional paving projects are anticipated, and proposals from Hardy and Harper will be secured at the time those are funded and ready for implementation. Additional authorizations will be brought before the Governing Board at that time.