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RESOLUTION NO. RES-09-0023

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH WELLS SIGNS MANUFACTURING & DISTRIBUTING, INC., WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF LED TRAIN WARNING SIGNS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$164,000

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“MTA”) has issued a work order to the City of Long Beach (“City”) in connection with the Metro Blue Line LED Train Warning Signs and Countdown Pedestrian Signs Project for the purchase and installation of electronic signs on side street approaches to the Metro Blue Line; and

WHEREAS, these signs are to provide additional warning to drivers that a train is approaching; and

WHEREAS, the City previously installed forty-six (46) signs in 2002 as part of a MTA grant funded upgrade to reduce the number of car versus train collisions. There have been no collisions at these sites since the signs were installed; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, the LED train warning signs were custom manufactured using City of Los Angeles Specifications and were purchased from Wells Signs Manufacturing & Distributing, Inc. (“WSMD”); and

WHEREAS, WSMD is the sole manufacturer and distributor for the custom designed hardware and repair parts for these signs; and

WHEREAS, the MTA will reimburse the City for the cost of these signs that the City purchases; and

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1 WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising  
2 for bids for furnishing and delivering these custom LED train warning signs and to do so  
3 would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary expenditure of public funds  
4 because WSMD is the only corporation, firm or individual that could or would bid for the  
5 furnishing of these custom LED train warning signs to the City;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as  
7 follows:

8 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter a contract with Wells  
9 Signs Manufacturing & Distributing, Inc. for the purchase of LED train warning signs as  
10 may be required by the City in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Sixty-Four  
11 Thousand Dollars (\$164,000.00) without advertising for bids.

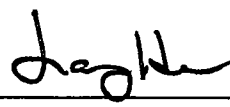
12 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the  
13 City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

14 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City  
15 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of March 24, 2009 by the  
16 following vote:

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18 Ayes: Councilmembers: S. Lowenthal, O'Donnell, Schipske,  
19 Andrews, Reyes Uranga, Gabelich,  
20 Lerch.

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22 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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24 Absent: Councilmembers: DeLong.

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City Clerk