Mamdapurkar, Barragan & BCA Commended

This e-mail commended Anagh Mamdapurkar, Construction Division; Guillermo Barragan, Architectural Division & Don Wakefield, Bureau of Contract Administration:

Date: Wed, Oct 30, 2013 at 12:10 PM Subject: Outstanding Performance of Your Staff on CSULA Transit Center Renovation Project

To: Roosevelt Bagby, Ethan Wong, Reza Bagherzadeh

Dear Mr. Bagby, Mr. Wong and Mr. Bagherzadeh:

I am writing to commend your staff for their outstanding performance on a LADOT project - Cal State University, Los Angeles Regional Transit Center Renovation Project. With their diligence, hard work, and effective supervision, the project is being done within the budget and also shorter than the designated contract period.

As construction manager for the project, Anagh Mamdapurkar has been instrumental in holding every weekly meeting in an organized fashion. After each weekly meeting, he then sent every attendee meeting minutes to ensure everyone is kept abreast of what transpired in the meeting. I used the meeting minutes so handily to report project progress to my superiors and grants manager so they would be updated timely on progress.

Don Wakefield is a superb inspector who keeps closely intact with the contractor to ensure their delivery complied with what was stipulated in the contract. Don evaluates the contractor's work product thoroughly and documents any and every product deemed inconsistent with what contract requires. He then shared with project-related staff his findings and followed up with contractor to rectify problems and address pertinent issues.

As project manager, Guillermo Barragan continues his cool style in negotiating terms and conditions with the contractor and also works closely with Anagh, Don and myself to ensure the funds were well spent and budget was in control. At the end, we're under budget and ahead of the completion schedule. This reflects the good teamwork on project management, construction management, and project inspections.

On Nov. 5th, we will have the final job walk. A week later, this heavily-used regional transit facility will be open to the public. On behalf of LADOT, I thank you for all the hard work your outstanding staff have put forth for this important infrastructure improvement project. Most of all, I thank you for delivering a quality project to benefit the general public.

Sincerely, Tom Chang

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