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May 2, 2025

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- FROM: Dean C. Logan Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

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# NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE WORK ORDER #25-002 EXCEEDING \$300,000 UNDER THE AS-NEEDED VOTING SOLUTIONS FOR ALL PEOPLE (VSAP) ENHANCEMENTS AND SUPPORT SERVICES MASTER AGREEMENT (VESSMA)

This is to advise your Board of the intent of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) to execute Work Order #25-002 VESSMA Category 7 – BMD/BMG Enhancement & Maintenance, with Smartmatic USA Corp. (Smartmatic) for the amount of \$6,320,004.

## BACKGROUND

On March 1, 2022, your Board approved VESSMA, which utilizes a competitive bid process to engage approved vendors to provide critical election support services in the areas of operations management, network support, load testing, cybersecurity, tally enhancements, education and outreach, and other election support services. In accordance with VESSMA Section 6.0, a Board notice is required for work orders exceeding \$300,000.

## SCOPE OF WORK

Services provided by Smartmatic under #25-002 Category 7 will include software development and support services for the development of Voting Solutions for All People ("VSAP") Version 4.0 Ballot Marking Device and BMD Manager (collectively, "VSAP 4.0"). This engagement will include the provision of a development team and subject matter expert support partner.

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This development effort primarily focuses on completing and certifying VSAP 4.0. The first six (6) months of development under this Work Order will focus on California Secretary of State certification readiness, completing new operational features, and conducting security, functional, and volume testing for certification. The final six (6) months will emphasize system testing, implementation, and support for the June 2, 2026, Gubernatorial Primary Election.

### JUSTIFICATION

The project's scope encompasses software development and support services for the VSAP Version 4.0 project. This includes the Ballot Marking Device, the BMD Manager system, and the Interactive Sample Ballot Book. This project is a continuation of the development efforts initiated under the previous VESSMA contract (#24-004) to complete the VSAP 4.0 project, obtain California Secretary of State system certification, and support the June 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election. This will conclude a two-year effort, beginning in 2023, to implement, certify, and support at least 31,100 new BMDs and their related software components.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this VESSMA work order has been requested as part of the Department's Fiscal Year 2025–26 budget submission. Approval and execution of the work order are contingent upon the availability of funds following adoption of the County's final budget.

#### **NOTIFICATION TIMELINE**

Consistent with VESSMA policies and procedures, we inform your Board of our intention to execute Work Order #25-002. If no objection is received from your Board in ten (10) business days, we will proceed with the execution of Work Order #25-002 (Category 7).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (562) 462-2716 or email <u>dlogan@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>. Your staff may also contact Jennifer Storm, Departmental Finance Manager II at (562) 462-2636 or email <u>jstorm@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>.

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