

## Staff Report

**Subject:** Approval of Change Order 15 for Central High School Construction Project

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**Item Description:** Consideration to approve Change Order 15 with Paul S. Akins Company, Inc. for the Central High School Capital Improvement Project.

**Summary Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of Change Order Proposal 15 in the amount of \$63,693.90 for lead paint abatement of the breezeway columns, beams, and roof outriggers at the Central School Renovation project.

### Executive Summary / Background:

As part of the Central School Renovation project, environmental testing was performed during the design and bidding phase by Arrowood Environmental Group. The testing identified lead on exterior steel columns at concentrations exceeding the EPA lead-based paint standard.

Although the presence of lead-based paint was identified during the design phase and the testing information was available during bidding, a specific scope for remediation, stabilization, or encapsulation of the affected existing steel components was not incorporated into the construction contract.

As construction progressed and the existing breezeway and canopy components became exposed, the need to address the existing lead-containing coatings prior to completing the renovation work was identified. The affected components include existing columns, beams, and roof outriggers that are to remain or be incorporated into the renovation.

### Scope of Work:

Change Order 15 adds the lead-paint remediation work to Paul S. Akins Company's construction scope.

The contractor's proposal includes lead-paint abatement of the existing breezeway columns, beams, and roof outriggers. The submitted change order is based on removal/stripping of the lead-containing paint and totals \$63,693.90.

The supporting proposal indicates no schedule impact and zero additional workdays for added to the contract.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve change order 15
2. Do not approve
3. Provide staff with direction

**Recommended Alternative:** 1

**Other Alternatives:** 2, 3

**Department Review:** Procurement, Engineering

**Funding Source:** Capital Improvement Budget

**Attachments:** Change Order 15 proposal