

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Administration Committee

January 11, 2023

Agenda Item 2e

Contract Amendment – Regional Forecast Model Software Licensing Agreement
Extension: Regional Economic Models, Inc. (\$108,000)

Subject:

Approval of a sole source amendment to the software licensing agreement amendment with Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) to increase the agreement by an amount not to exceed \$108,000 and extend the term through October 31, 2025, to continue providing access to the software, data updates, and technical assistance for Plan Bay Area 2050+ forecast update and related analyses.

Background:

In October 2018, MTC entered into a software license agreement through a sole source for compelling business reasons with REMI to purchase the REMI PI+ model. The software license price included an initial license fee of \$84,000, with a \$36,000 annual maintenance fee starting on October 31, 2018. The first annual maintenance fee was included in the initial license fee. Amendment 1 to the REMI agreement, extended the agreement through October 31, 2022, and increased the total amount to \$192,000.

Staff has relied on the model for impact analysis and Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) forecast updates, including the Horizon Initiative and Final Regional Growth Forecast for Plan Bay Area 2050. In addition, several Council of Governments (COGs) in California (including San Joaquin COG) are secondary users to MTC's REMI PI+ model and used the model for scenario analysis and the development of regional forecasts for their regions. Those COGs pay user fees directly to REMI.

The proposed contract amendment would extend the contract for three years through October 31, 2025, to allow staff to continue using the model to update the regional forecast for next round of RTP/SCS, Plan Bay Area 2050+, using the same technical framework used for the most recent regional forecast. The proposed amendment would also add an amount not to exceed \$108,000 for a new contract with Regional Economic Models, Inc. not to exceed amount of \$300,000.

Regional Economic Models, Inc. is not a certified Small Business Enterprise or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that this Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a sole source contract amendment with REMI in an amount not to exceed \$108,000, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$300,000, and extending the term of the agreement through October 31, 2025.

Attachments:

- Request for Committee Approval - Summary of Proposed Contract Amendment


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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Contract Amendment

Work Item No.: 1122

Recipient: Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI)
Amherst, MA

Work Project Title: Regional Forecast and Analysis for Plan Bay Area 2050+ Update

Purpose of Project: Develop regional growth forecast for Plan Bay Area 2050+ update and related analysis.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: This amendment: \$108,000
Current contract amount before this amendment: \$192,000
Maximum contract amount after the amendment: \$300,000

Funding Source: General Fund

Fiscal Impact: \$108,000 is included in the MTC FY2022-23 budget

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with REMI in an amount not to exceed \$108,000, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$300,000, and extending the term of the agreement through October 31, 2025, as described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated January 11, 2023.

Administration Committee:

Federal D. Glover, Chair

Approved: January 11, 2023