Metropolitan Transportation Commission Regional Network Management Committee

February 14, 2025 Agenda Item 2c

Purchase Order – Bay Area Transit Operator Speed Data: Swiftly Speed Map via Carahsoft Technology Corp. (Carahsoft) (\$297,646)

Subject:

Approval of a purchase order to Carahsoft Technology Corp. (Carahsoft) – in an amount not to exceed \$297,646 – to provide a one-year subscription to the Swiftly Speed Map data module, which provides transit speed and reliability data for operators throughout the Bay Area.

Background:

MTC is conducting a Regional Transit Assessment (RTA) to evaluate the need for and guide future investments in transit priority projects in the Bay Area. The RTA will include an assessment of existing transit speed and reliability. Accurate, validated transit speed data from all fixed-route bus and light rail operators throughout the Bay Area in one consistent format is needed in order to effectively develop a baseline of existing conditions.

To procure a vendor for transit speed data, staff studied the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) ValuePoint Cloud Solutions contract. NASPO is a national "cooperative purchasing" or "intergovernmental purchasing" contract (referred to as a "group purchasing organization" in EDMM 352 Third Party Contracting Policies and Procedures), used by public agencies in all 50 states to streamline procurement processes. MTC staff extensively reviewed NASPO vendors for transit speed data that met the needs of the RTA. Due to its superior data granularity, data validation, and instantaneous and customizable data queries, staff recommends selecting the Swiftly Speed Map data module for the RTA, provided by Carahsoft via the NASPO procurement process.

MTC is pursuing a partnership with Caltrans for this effort, as it presents an opportunity to leverage transit analysis for other statewide efforts. As such, MTC staff are in discussion with Caltrans staff for potential cost-sharing with Caltrans for half of the value of this purchase order (\$148,823).

Contract Actions:

Under the proposed purchase order, Carahsoft would provide MTC with a one-year subscription to the Swiftly Speed Map data module which includes speed data for 19 fixed-route bus and light rail operators in the region. Carahsoft's services will be procured via the NASPO ValuePoint Cloud Solutions contract, which satisfies MTC's contracting and procurement requirements. Carahsoft is an authorized vendor under NASPO (Contract #AR2472). Carahsoft is neither a small business nor a disadvantaged business enterprise and currently has no subcontractors.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Regional Network Management Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to issue a purchase order to Carahsoft in an amount not to exceed \$297,646 to provide a one-year subscription to the Swiftly Speed Map data module for 19 fixed-route bus and light rail operators throughout the Bay Area region as described herein.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Purchase
Order

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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Purchase Order

Work Item No.: 1621

Consultant: Carahsoft Technology Corp.

Seattle, WA

Work Project Title: Swiftly Speed Map for Regional Transit Assessment

Purpose of Project: To conduct a baseline transit speed and reliability analysis as part of a

Regional Transit Assessment that informs future transit priority

investments.

Brief Scope of Work: To provide a one-year subscription to Swiftly Speed Map data module

for 19 fixed-route bus and light rail operators throughout the Bay Area

region.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$297,646

Funding Source: State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program

Fiscal Impact: Funds available in Fiscal Year 2024-25 MTC Operating and Capital

Budgets

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to issue a

purchase order to Carahsoft Technology Corp. to provide a one-year

subscription to the Swiftly Speed Map data module to conduct a

baseline transit speed and reliability analysis as part of a Regional

Transit Assessment described above and in the Regional Network

Management Committee Summary Sheet dated February 14, 2025 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$297,646 for

such purchase order.

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Management Committee:

Sue Noack, Vice Chair

Approved: February 14, 2025