

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Operations Committee

April 9, 2021

Agenda Item 4d

Contract – Napa Valley Forward: State Route 29 (SR-29) Traffic Management Improvements at Rutherford, Oakville, and Madison Intersections – GHD Inc. (\$1,200,000)

Subject: Request for approval of a contract with GHD Inc. to provide design engineering services for the Napa Valley Forward SR-29 Traffic Management Improvements at Rutherford, Oakville, and Madison Intersections in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

Background: In 2018, the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTa) and MTC, in partnership with Napa Valley hospitality and vintner industry leaders, collaborated on strategies to manage transportation demand and traffic along the SR-29 corridor. SR-29 traverses through the communities of Rutherford, Oakville, and Yountville, and it serves as a key route providing north/south connectivity within Napa Valley. SR-29 experiences heavy recurrent and non-recurrent traffic congestion during the peak periods. To improve traffic flow along the corridor, NVTa and MTC staff propose to design and deliver up to three intersection improvements (likely context-sensitive mini-roundabouts) along SR-29 at Rutherford Road, Oakville Cross, and Madison Street.

On February 19, 2021, MTC issued a Request for Qualifications for Design Engineering Services for Napa Valley Forward - SR-29 Improvements at Rutherford, Oakville, and Madison Intersections Project (“RFQ”) inviting firms to submit Statements of Qualifications (“SOQ”) for this project.

An email notice of the opportunity was sent to over 2,800 individuals and firms. On March 22, 2021 MTC received SOQs from four firms: AXIA Group California, GHD Inc., Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., and T.Y. Lin International. All SOQs were determined to meet the minimum qualifications. An evaluation panel comprised of MTC and NVTa staff reviewed the SOQs based upon the following evaluation criteria specified in the RFQ, which are listed in descending order of importance:

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| 1) Individual and team expertise and experience | 40% |
| 2) Understanding of project scope | 30% |
| 3) Depth of resources and availability | 20% |
| 4) Communication and presentation skills | 10% |

A total of three firms was interviewed on March 30, 2021. Based on the results of the interviews and the SOQ evaluations, the panel recommends the selection of the GHD Inc. team. GHD Inc. and its subconsultant have demonstrated a strong project understanding and approach with several similar projects in Napa County along SR-29.

The table below provides the final ranking based upon panel evaluations:

| Consultant | Ranking |
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| GHD Inc. | 1 |
| T.Y. Lin International | 2 |
| Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. | 3 |
| AXIA Group California | 4 |


The scope of work to be completed under this contract includes: Preliminary Engineering; Project Approval & Environmental Document; Plans Specifications, and Estimates; and Design Support During Construction.

Attachment A includes a summary of GHD Inc. and its subcontractors' small business enterprise (SBE) and disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) status.

Issues: None identified.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Operations Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into a contract with GHD Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 for the above-described work.

Attachments: Attachment A: Contractor DBE and SBE Status


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| | | | DBE* Firm | | | SBE** Firm | | |
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| | Firm Name | Role on Project | Yes | If Yes, List # | No | Yes | If Yes, List # | No |
| Prime Contractor | GHD Inc. | Project Management, Design Engineering | | | X | | | X |
| Subcontractor | WSP | Environmental Services and Outreach | | | X | | | X |
| Subcontractor | TranSystems | Rail Engineering | | | X | | | X |
| Subcontractor | Wreco | Drainage and Storm Water | X | 30066 | | X | 60800 | |
| Subcontractor | UNICO | Survey and Right of Way | X | 41342 | | X | 1756792 | |
| Subcontractor | Y&C Transportation Consultants, Inc. | Civil Engineering | X | 28989 | | X | 1545960 | |

*Denotes certification by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).

**Denotes certification by the State of California.

REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Summary of Proposed Contract

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| Work Item No.: | 1237 |
| Consultant: | GHD Inc. Santa Rosa, CA |
| Work Project Title: | Napa Valley Forward: State Route 29 (SR-29) Traffic Management Improvements at Rutherford, Oakville, and Madison Intersections |
| Purpose of Project: | To improve multimodal traffic operations at three intersections along California SR-29 in Napa County by installing roundabouts and/or traffic signals. |
| Brief Scope of Work: | Preliminary Engineering; Project Approval & Environmental Document; Plans Specifications, and Estimates; Design Support During Construction. |
| Project Cost Not to Exceed: | \$1,200,000 |
| Funding Source: | STP / Local |
| Fiscal Impact: | Funding is included in the FY 2020-21 MTC Budget |
| Motion by Committee: | That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract with GHD Inc. to provide design engineering services described above and in the Operations Committee Summary Sheet dated April 9, 2021 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$1,200,000 for such contract. |
| Operations Committee: | <hr/> Carol Dutra-Vernaci, Chair |
| Approved: | Date: April 9, 2021 |