

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Administration Committee**

April 8, 2026

Agenda Item 2b-26-0322

**Purchase Order – Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri):Development and
Deployment of the Regional Data Platform (RDP) Covering FY 2025-26, FY 2026-27
(\$261,050)**

Subject:

Request for authorization to negotiate and execute a contract on a sole-source basis for compelling business reasons, with the Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (Esri) for access to the Esri Advantage Program, in support of the design, development and deployment of the Regional Data Platform (RDP) in an amount not to exceed \$261,050 for a term of 2 years.

Background:

Through this agreement Esri shall develop, configure, and support the Regional Data Platform (RDP) through the Esri Advantage Program – Large Configuration which includes associated ArcGIS Hub Premium licensing as quoted via Esri’s authorized contracting channels.

The RDP is proposed as the core operational component of MTC’s agency-wide Data Strategy and will provide a single, trusted place to find and explore public datasets, maps and visualizations for planning and policy. While the platform embeds data governance, standards, and stewardship behind the scenes, the primary value is straightforward: staff, partners, and the public will no longer need to search across multiple systems to locate authoritative regional data. Instead, they will have one reliable hub where information is consistently published, well-documented, and easy to discover.

The RDP translates strategic goals – such as improving data quality, consistency, transparency, and accessibility – into a practical, unified environment that supports faster analysis and more informed regional decision-making. By integrating governance directly into day-to-day workflows, the platform strengthens trust in the data used for policy and planning discussions.

This request seeks authorization to enter into an agreement with Esri for two years of access to the Esri Advantage Program and ArcGIS Hub Premium / ArcGIS Online Community, covering FY2025–2026 and FY2026–2027, at a total cost not to exceed \$261,050. Funding for the initial

year (FY2025–2026) has been programmed in the Data Strategy and Analytics Section’s operations budget in the amount of \$125,000. If approved, work will begin in FY2025-2026.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to issue a purchase order to Esri for access to the Esri Advantage Program, in support of the design, development and deployment of the RDP in an amount not to exceed \$261,050 for the term of 2 years, subject to approval of the FY2026-2027 Agency budgets.

Attachments:

- Attachment A - Small Business Enterprise Status
- Request for Committee Approval: Summary of Proposed Purchase Order



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Attachment A

Small Business Enterprise Status

Firm Name	Role on Project	SBE** Yes / No	If SBE Yes, List #
Prime Contractor Esri	Provide access to the Esri Advantage Program, in support of the design, development and deployment of the RDP	No	

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**Denotes certification by the State of California.

Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Purchase Order Approval

Work Item No.: 1122

Consultant: Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., Redlands, CA

Work Project Title: Esri Advantage Program Engagement for Regional Data Platform, FY 2025-27

Purpose of Project: Engagement with Esri for comprehensive technical advisory access and services towards the design, development and deployment of the Regional Data Platform

Brief Scope of Work: Esri will provide a 2-year Advantage Program engagement to support MTC's Regional Data Platform (RDP) through an assigned Advisor and Technical Lead, including an annual planning meeting and the development of a living work plan that defines objectives and the Learning & Services activities to be executed.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$261,050.00

Funding Source: MTC General Fund

Fiscal Impact: Year 1 Funding is included in the agency budget for FY 2025-26. FY 2026-27 will be subject to future agency budget.

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to issue a purchase order to Esri for the Esri Advantage Program described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated February 20, 2026 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$131,050 for FY 2026-27 to cover the remaining budgeted amount still subject to approval in FY 2026-27.

Administration Committee:

Gina Papan, Chair

Approved:

April 8, 2026