

Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Regional Network Management Committee

December 13, 2024

Agenda Item 2b

**Contract Amendment – On-Call Bay Area Transit Coordination and Structure Consultant
Bench: Regional Network Management Implementation: VIA – A Perkins Eastman Studio
(\$250,000)**

Subject:

Request for approval of a contract amendment with VIA- A Perkins Eastman Studio (VIA) to conduct an evaluation of the Regional Network Management (RNM) framework in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, which would increase the total not to exceed amount to \$600,000.

Background:

In May 2023, the Administration Committee approved a \$350,000 contract with VIA to support time-sensitive actions that were recommended as part of the Regional Network Management Business Case Evaluation (February 2023) to implement the initial components of the regional transit network management framework. The VIA-led consultant team provided support on: finalizing the implementation plan for regional transit network management, developing regional transit network management charters, development of key performance indicators (KPIs), and development of program management tools.

In May 2024, the RNM Committee adopted performance measures by which regional transit and the RNM would be assessed (MTC Resolution No. 4648). Performance measures will help deliver on the RNM’s Mission by measuring regional transit outcomes for riders, providing information to hold the RNM accountable for progress on regional transit initiatives, and helping to inform the continuous improvement of the RNM framework. A key aspect of assessing performance is evaluating the RNM framework itself, including: current and planned RNM capabilities, identifying recommendations/actions that benefited or were challenged by the current RNM design (e.g., collaboration, visibility, efficiency), and identifying resources needed to support RNM activities.

To support this work, staff recommends an amendment of \$250,000 to VIA's contract. Under the proposed contract amendment, VIA will engage with MTC staff and other key stakeholders to conduct an assessment of the RNM framework including identifying strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges with the existing RNM framework and developing recommendations on how to evolve the RNM moving forward.

Staff recommend VIA for this work due to the team possessing the needed institutional knowledge of network management structures including their development and operation. Given that the VIA team led the development of the Regional Network Management Business Case Evaluation and supported the implementation of the RNM framework, the VIA team has the context and understanding of the current environment that will allow them to progress this work quickly and with no repetition of work.

Attachment A includes a summary of VIA and its project team's small business and disadvantaged business enterprise status.

Issues:

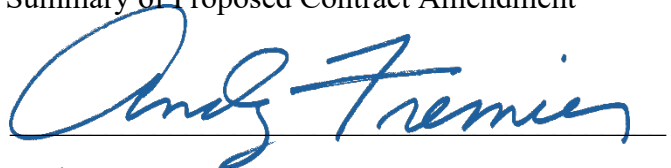
None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Regional Network Management Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and execute a contract amendment with VIA in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 and to extend the term from June 30, 2024, to December 31, 2025, to conduct an assessment of the RNM framework.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Small Business Enterprise Status
- Request for Committee Approval — Summary of Proposed Contract Amendment



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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Small Business Enterprise Status

	Firm Name	Role on Project	DBE* Yes / No	If DBE Yes, List #	SBE** Yes / No	If SBE Yes, List #
Prime Contractor	VIA – A Perkins Eastman Studio	Prime Contractor	No	N/A	No	N/A
Subcontractor	KPMG	Subcontractor	No	N/A	No	N/A

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

**Denotes certification by the State of California.

Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Contract Amendment

Work Item No.: 1621

Consultant: VIA – A Perkins Eastman Studio
Oakland, CA

Work Project Title: Regional Transit Network Management Implementation

Purpose of Project: To provide support to MTC and transit operator staff in the stand up of a regional transit network manager.

Brief Scope of Work: Conduct an assessment of the RNM framework including identifying strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges with the existing RNM framework and developing recommendations on how to evolve the RNM moving forward.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$250,000 (this amendment)
Total contract amount before this amendment: \$350,000
Total approved contract amount after this amendment: \$600,000

Funding Source: RM2 Capital Project 35.2 (this amendment)

Fiscal Impact: Funds are available in the FY 2024-2025 agency budget

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with VIA – A Perkins Eastman Studio, to conduct an assessment of the Regional Network Management framework described above and in the Regional Network Management Committee Summary Sheet dated December 13, 2024 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside \$250,000 for such contract amendment.

Regional Network
Management Committee:

David Rabbitt, Chair

Approved: December 13, 2024