Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Administration Committee

April 10, 2024

Agenda Item 2d-24-0350

Contract Amendment – Transit Connected Network Planning (Transit 2050+): Fehr & Peers (\$310,000)

Subject:

Authorization to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment in an amount not to exceed \$310,000, with Fehr & Peers for Transit Connected Network Planning (Transit 2050+) ("Project"), for a new total contract not to exceed amount of \$2,310,000. The amendment addresses additional costs related to project and network performance assessment to support integration of Transit 2050+ into Plan Bay Area 2050+.

Background:

Transit 2050+ advances <u>Transit Transformation Action Plan</u> Action #18 to "fund, develop and adopt a Bay Area Connected Network Plan" by applying a connected network planning approach to the comprehensive update of the six transit-related strategies in Plan Bay Area 2050's Transportation Element. While Plan Bay Area 2050 envisioned a robust connected transit network for the region, the rapid changes in commute patterns brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, significant reductions in anticipated transportation revenue through 2050, and the challenges posed by our region's fragmented transit system identified in the Transit Transformation Action Plan necessitated a more comprehensive update to the Plan's transit-related strategies. Consequently, Transit 2050+ is being undertaken as a parallel planning process to the limited and focused Plan Bay Area update (Plan Bay Area 2050+) in close coordination with transit operators. The Transit 2050+ recommended transit network will identify the strategies and investments (capital and operating) envisioned for the next decade through 2035 and over the long term through 2050. This network will flow directly into the development of the Plan Bay Area 2050+ Final Blueprint in summer 2024.

To date, the consultant team has mostly completed an existing conditions, needs, gaps, and opportunities analysis; initiated the Project Performance Assessment (for both Transit 2050+ and Plan Bay Area 2050+) to assess cost-effectiveness and equity impacts of major, capacity-increasing projects across three potential 2050 futures; initiated development of the draft Transit 2050+ network and strategies; and completed the methodology for the Network Performance Assessment.

Due to MTC staffing limitations (i.e., insufficient staff availability to complete tasks within the required timeframe), the consultant team was required to undertake a greater share of the technical work needed to complete travel modeling and cost review activities necessary to

complete the Project Performance Assessment. Consequently, additional funding is needed to complete the Network Performance Assessment and undertake technical work to fully support integration of the final Transit 2050+ Network into the Plan Bay Area 2050+ Final Blueprint in fall 2024. Finally, MTC was asked by transit operators to augment the scope of the existing conditions, needs, gaps, and opportunities analysis, including evaluation of speed gaps for highway express bus routes and data summarization for use in subregional studies.

Following a competitive procurement that concluded in May 2023, this Committee authorized an agreement with Fehr & Peers to conduct the Project at its June 2023 meeting. Attachment A includes a list of Fehr & Peers Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) status.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Committee authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Fehr & Peers in an amount not to exceed \$310,000 for Transit Connected Network Planning (Transit 2050+), for a new total contract not to exceed amount of \$2,310,000.

Attachments:

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

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Prime Contractor

Subcontractor

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Attachment A

Firm Name	Role on Project	DBE* Yes / No	If DBE Yes, List #	SBE** Yes / No	If SBE Yes, List #
Fehr & Peers	Prime	No			
Kal Krishnan Consulting Services	Risk Analysis	Yes	5259		
TMD	Transit Planning Consulting Services	Yes	49228		
Leshner Planning and Transportation	Technical Documentation	Yes	51063		

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Small Business Enterprise Status

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

**Denotes certification by the State of California.

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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Consultant Contract Amendment			
Work Item No.:	1517		
Consultant:	Fehr & Peers, Oakland, California		
Work Project Title:	Transit Connected Network Planning (Transit 2050+)		
Purpose of Project:	Integrate transit connected network planning into the forthcoming update of Plan Bay Area 2050, Plan Bay Area 2050+, through a comprehensive update to the six-transit related strategies in the plan.		
Brief Scope of Work:	Completion of the Network Performance Assessment for Transit 2050+ and additional technical work to fully support integration of the final Transit 2050+ Network into the Plan Bay Area 2050+ Final Blueprint in fall 2024, as well as minor scope expansions related to the needs, gaps, and opportunities analysis.		
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	This amendment: \$310,000 Contract amount before this contract amendment: \$2,000,000		
	Maximum contract amount after this amendment: \$2,310,000		
Funding Source:	FY23-24: STP (\$300,000); STA Regional Program Contingency (\$10,000)		
Fiscal Impact:	\$310,000 is included in the FY 2023-24 Agency Budget.		
Motion by Committee:	 That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Fehr & Peers in the amount of \$310,000 for Transit Connected Network Planning (Transit 2050+) described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated April 10, 2024 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside an amount not to exceed \$310,000 for such contract amendment. 		
Administration Committee:			
	Gina Papan, Chair		
Approved:	April 10, 2024		