

# REGIONAL TRANSIT ISSUE PAPER

Agenda Item No.	Board Meeting Date	Open/Closed Session	Information/Action Item	Issue Date
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Subject: Approving the Fourth Amendment to the Contract for State Lobbying Services with Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC

## ISSUE

Approving the Fourth Amendment to the Contract for State Lobbying Services with Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 13-07- \_\_\_\_\_, Approving the Fourth Amendment to the Contract for State Lobbying Services with Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC.

## FISCAL IMPACT

Budgeted:	Yes	FY14:	\$56,243.33
Budget Source:	Operating	FY15:	\$11,248.67
Funding Source:	Local	Annualized:	\$NA
Cost Cntr/ GL Acct(s):	81, 630089	Total Amount:	\$ 67,492
Total Budget:	\$ 67,492		

## DISCUSSION

On August 10, 2009, the RT Board awarded a contract for state lobbying services to Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC (Smith Watts) for an amount not to exceed \$187,296, for a 3-year term, with the option to renew for two additional 1-year terms (option years) to be exercised sequentially. The current contract was entered into on August 25, 2009, with an effective date of September 1, 2009, and will expire on August 31, 2013. Subsequent to award of the contract, the contract was amended three times. The first two amendments were administrative in nature and; therefore, had no impact to the cost of the Contract. The third amendment exercised option year 4.

Smith Watts has assisted RT by coordinating state transit-related legislative proposals with existing and proposed federal law and legislation; shepherding RT-sponsored legislative proposals through the Legislature; and monitoring transit-related legislative proposals and funding initiatives. Smith Watts has an impressive record of excelling in all of these areas and has performed well for RT. It is RT staff's desire to continue using the services of Smith Watts for state lobbying services by exercising option year 5 of the Contract.

RT staff recommends that the RT Board approve the Fourth Amendment to the Contract for state lobbying services with Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC, by which RT exercises its option to extend the Contract for year 5, commencing on September 1, 2013, and terminating on August 31, 2014, and the total consideration is increased by \$67,492 from \$244,896 to \$312,388.

Approved:

Presented:

Final 7/11/2013

General Manager/CEO

Assistant General Manager of Marketing and Communications  
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RESOLUTION NO. 13-07-\_\_\_\_\_

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

July 22, 2013

**APPROVING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT FOR STATE  
LOBBYING SERVICES WITH SMITH, WATTS & MARTINEZ, LLC**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the Fourth Amendment to the Contract between the Sacramento Regional Transit District, therein referred to as "RT," and Smith, Watts & Martinez, LLC, therein referred to as "Consultant," whereby RT exercises its option to extend the Contract for year 5, commencing on September 1, 2013, and terminating August 31, 2014, and the total consideration is increased by \$67,492 from \$244,896 to \$312,388, is hereby approved.

THAT, the Chair and General Manager/CEO are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Fourth Amendment.

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PATRICK HUME, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary