

REGIONAL TRANSIT ISSUE PAPER

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Subject: First Amendment to the Principal Agreement with Hanson Bridgett, LLP, for Legal Consultation Services Related to Pension Plan Reform

ISSUE

Whether to approve the First Amendment to the Principal Agreement with Hanson Bridgett, LLP, for legal consultation services related to pension plan reform.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 13-10____, Approving the First Amendment to the Principal Agreement with Hanson Bridgett, LLP, for Legal Consultation Services Related to Pension Plan Reform.

FISCAL IMPACT

Budgeted:	Yes	This FY:	\$	46,000
Budget Source:	Operating	Next FY:	\$	54,000
Funding Source:	State / Federal	Annualized:	\$	60,000
Cost Cntr/GL Acct(s) or	630009	Total Amount:	\$	100,000*
Capital Project #:	cc41			
Total Budget:	\$100,000			

*This action adds \$100,000 to the existing Principal Agreement of \$100,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$200,000 through work order request.

DISCUSSION

Regional Transit has had a legal services contract with Hanson Bridgett LLP since September 13, 2012, to provide legal services to RT related to providing advice and counsel on pension law and reform and with implementing the applicable provisions of the Public Employee Pension Reform Act (PEPRA) which went into effect January 1, 2013. With pending State legislation temporarily exempting public sector transit workers from PEPRA coverage expected to become effective October 1, 2013, any changes to RT's retirement plans must be accomplished through collective bargaining with the affected Unions and employee groups. In that regard, additional consultation is needed in guiding decisions related to effectuating future pension plan changes agreed upon through the collective bargaining process.

To date from contract inception, Hanson Bridgett has provided significant assistance with researching a number of issues related to RT's pension system and with PEPRA implementation. The current total contract consideration will soon be exceeded but RT has a continued need for

Approved:

Presented:

Final 10/02/13

General Manager/CEO

Chief Administrative Officer

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assistance. Consequently, staff requests the Board authorize an increase in the total consideration to \$200,000.

Staff recommends approving the first amendment to the principal agreement with Hanson Bridgett, LLP, increasing the total consideration by \$100,000 to \$200,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-10-_____

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

October 14, 2013

**APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE PRINCIPAL AGREEMENT WITH
HANSON BRIDGETT, LLP, FOR LEGAL CONSULTATION SERVICES RELATED TO
PENSION PLAN REFORM**

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

THAT, the First Amendment to the Principal Agreement for legal services with
Hanson Bridgett, LLP, whereby the total contract consideration is increased by \$100,000 to
\$200,000, is hereby approved.

THAT, the Board Chair and the General Manager/CEO are hereby authorized to
execute the First Amendment to the Principal Agreement.

PATRICK HUME, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary