



STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 24, 2020

TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Laura Ham, VP, Planning and Engineering

SUBJ: AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANGER/CEO TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO A QUALIFIED PLUMBING COMPANY TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF ONE OR MORE PIPES LEAKING A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WATER UNDER BUS MAINTENANCE FACILITY 1 (BMF1)

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Contractor ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc. will provide SacRT with emergency leak detection and repairs or replacement to a suspected underground water pipe leak at BMF1, which is the primary fueling and maintenance facility for the SacRT bus fleet.

FISCAL IMPACT

Expense: Unknown

DISCUSSION

With assistance from the City of Sacramento Water Division, staff recently discovered a significant water leak at 1323 28th Street, which is the primary Clean Natural Gas (CNG) fueling and maintenance facility for the SacRT bus fleet. Staff has not been able to identify the exact location of the water leak at the BMF1 facility, but has been able to shut off valves to stop the leak at this time. It is suspected that the water leak is deep underground as no surface water is observed and the leak is possibly of significant volume based upon meter readings, potentially over 3,000 gallons per hour. In a worst-case scenario the water has caused underground and pavement damage, may cause significant damage to life and property, and may prevent SacRT from delivering essential public transit service. Due to the clear and imminent danger, there is urgency to get this work done immediately.

SacRT is obligated under Public Contract Code Section 20321 to competitively bid Public Works contracts in excess of \$5,000, unless an emergency is declared by an affirmative vote of four-fifths of the Board. SacRT staff is in the process of preparing to solicit a non-competitive bid for the necessary repairs. A typical Public works solicitation over \$5,000 takes approximately 90-120 days before a contract is awarded. Even in an

optimal scenario, developing an Invitation for Bid and conducting a minimal two-week solicitation, it would take approximately 30 days to award a contract.

By adopting this Resolution, the Board of Directors is taking three separate actions. These are:

1. Declaring an emergency for the water leak detection and pipe repairs at 1323 28th Street.
2. Waiving the requirement to award a Public Works contract over \$5,000 to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder after competitive bidding for this project.
3. Authorizing the General Manager/CEO, or his designee, to obtain a price quote and to bind SacRT to a Contract for water leak detection and pipe repairs at 1323 28th Street.

Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-08-0085

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

August 24, 2020

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANGER/CEO TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO A QUALIFIED PLUMBING COMPANY TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF ONE OR MORE PIPES LEAKING A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WATER UNDER BUS MAINTENANCE FACILITY 1

WHEREAS, under Public Contract Code Section 20321 the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) must competitively bid Public Works contracts in excess of \$5,000, unless an emergency is declared by an affirmative vote of four-fifths of the Board; and

WHEREAS, it takes approximately 90-120 days for a contract to be awarded for a Public Works solicitation over \$5,000; and

WHEREAS, SacRT unexpectedly found a significant underground water leak at 1323 28th Street, which is the primary fueling and maintenance facility for the SacRT bus fleet, known as Bus Maintenance Facility 1 (BMF1); and

WHEREAS, a significant underground water leak poses a clear and imminent danger and threat to life, property and essential services, by potentially causing underground damage and weakening of the pavement; and

WHEREAS, SacRT uses the BMF1 to deliver essential public transit service to the greater Sacramento community

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

THAT, the Board declares an emergency for the leak repairs at 1323 28th Street (BMF1).

THAT, the Board waives the requirement to award a Public Works contract over \$5,000 after competitive bidding for this project.

THAT, the Board authorizes the General Manager/CEO, or his designee, to obtain a price quote or quotes and to bind SacRT to a Contract for Leak Repairs at 1323 28th Street.

Passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Sacramento Regional Transit District
on the 24th day of August 2020 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

STEVE HANSEN, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary