



STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 10, 2020

TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Laura Ham, VP, Planning and Engineering

SUBJ: DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO TO APPROVE WORK ORDER NO. 21 TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES - 2016 FOR THE WATT I-80 TRANSIT CENTER DESIGN PROJECT WITH MARK THOMAS AND COMPANY, INC.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Delegates authority to the General Manager/CEO to approve Work Order No. 21 to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services - 2016 with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Work Order No. 21 would provide for Mark Thomas to complete preliminary engineering and final design for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project. The total cost of these services is estimated not to exceed \$532,689.38. SacRT was awarded \$500,000 through the SACOG Community Grant Design Program and an additional \$32,689.38 of SB1 funds that are eligible for completing this task.

The total project costs to construct the improvements that will be designed under the Work Order are currently estimated at \$4,000,000. Funding is not currently available to complete construction; however, Staff working to find funding for these improvements.

DISCUSSION

The current Watt I-80 Transit Center is one of the busiest transfer centers in the Sacramento region. It has been prone to safety and security issues throughout the years and has attracted criminal activity because of the location of the Transit Center, which is situated both above and below a major freeway, with steep enclosed stairwells and in a high-crime community.

SacRT completed a visioning effort to re-imagine the Watt/I-80 Transit Center in 2018 with participation by a range of community stakeholders. With the community-envisioned upgrades, this facility will attract and accommodate more riders, as well as accommodate additional bus service from regional operators and expansion of high

capacity transit connecting to American River College, Arden-Arcade, Citrus Heights, McClellan Park and North Highlands.

Work Order No. 21 will provide preliminary and final design for improvements to: reconstruct the Transit Center's bus stop waiting areas on Watt Avenue; modify the stair and elevator structures; widen the sidewalks along the Watt Avenue overpass; incorporate improved bike access along the overpass; and improve pedestrian crossing of Watt Avenue from the northbound bus stop to the Transit Center structure; and modify the freeway off-ramps for improved pedestrian access. Improvements may include, but are not limited to walkways, waiting areas, stairs, elevator structure, pedestrian crossings, bike paths, lighting, fencing/barriers, wayfinding, customer information signs, site furniture, bus lanes, freeway off-ramps, and drop off areas. Due to the location of the facility within Caltrans' right of way, the scope of work will include coordination and compliance with Caltrans' requirements.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-02-0007

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

February 10, 2020

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WORK ORDER NO. 21 TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING
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PROJECT WITH MARK THOMAS AND COMPANY, INC.**

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

THAT, authority is hereby delegated to the General Manager/CEO to approve and execute Work Order No. 21 to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services – 2016 by and between the Sacramento Regional Transit District (therein “RT”) and Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. (therein “Consultant”), whereby Consultant agrees to perform preliminary and final design services for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project for an amount not to exceed \$532,689.38.

STEVE HANSEN, Chair

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By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary