



STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 23, 2021
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Laura Ham, VP, Planning and Engineering
SUBJ: CONDITIONALLY APPROVE WORK ORDER NO. 6 TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES - 2020 FOR THE WATT I-80 TRANSIT CENTER DESIGN PROJECT WITH MARK THOMAS AND COMPANY, INC.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Conditionally approve Work Order No. 6 to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services – 2020 with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Work Order No. 6 will provide for Mark Thomas to complete preliminary engineering for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project. The total cost of these services is not to exceed \$302,214.83. Work Order No. 6 will continue work that Mark Thomas previously performed under Work Order No. 21 under the Contract for General Engineering Support Services – 2016. Upon approval of Work Order No. 6, Work Order No. 21 will be terminated and the remaining funds of \$302,221.53 will be shifted to the new Work Order No. 6. There is no net fiscal impact. Final design will require additional funding and will be under a separate Work Order.

The current hard construction cost estimate for the improvements that will be designed under the Work Order is \$14,000,000. The total project (inclusive of design and construction support costs as well as internal labor) is projected to cost approximately \$19,000,000. Approximately \$10,100,000 of capital project funding has been identified and is available. Staff is actively seeking additional funding to complete the construction of 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.

On February 10, 2020, the Board delegated authority to the GM/CEO to award Work Order No. 21 under the 2016 General Engineering Support Services Contract for preliminary and final engineering for the Watt I-80 Transit Design Project. However, after internal review, valid concerns were brought up that require significant design modifications and additional preliminary engineering. The updated design will expand the scope and will include a structure widening. The revised design approach will require additional coordination with Caltrans, additional upgrades to the connection on the east side of Watt Avenue (new open stairwell, colored concrete plaza), upgrades to the area under Watt Avenue to increase safety, and the addition of upgrades to the operator bathrooms and breakroom at the station.

This re-design and further coordination is additional work that was not included in the scope or cost for Work Order No. 21. Since Work Order No. 21 is under an expired Contract, an amendment cannot be executed. Therefore, Work Order No. 21 will be terminated, and the remaining funds will be transferred to the new Work Order No. 6 under the current 2020 General Engineering Support Services Contract. An additional Work Order for final design will be brought to the Board in the future for approval. Finance is currently reviewing the indirect cost rates for a subconsultant added for required specialty skills. Approval of the Work Order is conditional upon the outcome of the review by Finance.

Staff recommends conditionally approving Work Order No. 6 to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services – 2020 with Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Design Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-08-0101

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

August 23, 2021

CONDITIONALLY APPROVE WORK ORDER NO. 6 TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES - 2020 FOR THE WATT I-80 TRANSIT CENTER DESIGN 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, Work Order No. 6 to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services - 2020 between the Sacramento Regional Transit District, therein referred to as "SacRT," and Mark Thomas & Company, Inc., therein referred to as "Consultant," whereby Consultant agrees to provide Preliminary Engineering for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Improvements Project, for a total amount not to exceed \$302,214.83, is hereby approved, conditioned upon review and acceptance of the indirect cost rates proposed for the new subconsultant not included in Consultant's Proposal.

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized and directed to execute Work Order No. 6 upon satisfaction of the foregoing condition.

STEVE MILLER, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary