

STAFF REPORT

DATE: July 25, 2022
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Laura Ham, VP, Planning and Engineering
SUBJ: APPROVING WORK ORDER NO. 11 TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES - 2020 WITH MARK THOMAS & COMPANY, INC. TO PROVIDE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE WATT I-80 TRANSIT CENTER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approving this Work Order will allow for completion of final design for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Improvement project so that it is ready to move to construction when funding is identified.

FISCAL IMPACT

Work Order No. 11 will provide for Mark Thomas to complete final design for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project. The total cost of these services is not to exceed \$1,273,382.98. Work Order No. 11 will continue work that Mark Thomas previously performed under Work Order No. 21 to the General Engineering Support Services –2016 contract and Work Order No. 6 (as amended) to the Contract for General Engineering Support Services – 2020 for additional preliminary engineering.

The current hard construction cost estimate for the improvements that will be designed under the Work Order is approximately \$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 \$11,600,000 of capital project funding has been identified and is available. Staff is actively seeking additional funding to complete the construction of the project.

DISCUSSION

The current Watt I-80 Transit Center (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 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 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 Improvement Project. However, after internal review, valid concerns were brought up that required significant design modifications and additional preliminary engineering. The updated design expanded the scope to address the concerns and include a structure widening. The revised design approach required 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. On August 23, 2021, the Board conditionally approved Work Order No. 6 to complete the preliminary engineering to include the re-design and required coordination. The preliminary engineering is nearing completion. Work Order No. 11 will complete the final design for the Watt I-80 Transit Improvement Project, including preparation of Plans, Specifications and Estimates for the construction so that the project will be “shovel ready” once funding is identified.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-07-085

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

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

THAT, Work Order No. 11 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 Final Design for the Watt I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,273,382.98, is hereby approved.

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized and directed to execute Work Order No. 11.

STEVE MILLER, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary