

## STAFF REPORT

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**DATE:** April 28, 2025  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Henry Ikwut-Ukwa, VP, Capital Programs  
**SUBJ:** APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 11 TO THE  
CONTRACT FOR WATT/I-80 TRANSIT CENTER  
IMPROVEMENTS WITH THOMPSON BUILDERS  
CORPORATION

### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

### RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approving Contract Change Order (CCO) No. 11 to the Contract for Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvements (Transit Center) with Thompson Builders Corporation (Thompson) will allow Thompson to relocate Sacramento County's unforeseen fiber optic line and connect it to the service pedestals.

### FISCAL IMPACT

CCO No. 11 will add \$159,816.00 to the not-to-exceed amount for the Contract. Contractor will be paid the lump-sum amount \$187,226.00 for the relocation of the County fiber cable due to unforeseen utility conflict. That amount is expected to be partially offset by reductions in the quantity of drainage work required, which will be deducted on a unit-price basis. This CCO will be funded with a combination of FY20 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP), FY22 Federal CMAQ, and FY22 Federal 5307 funds.

### DISCUSSION

The current Transit Center is one of the busiest transfer centers in the Sacramento region. It has been prone to safety and security challenges because of the location and design, situated both above and below major roadways, with steep enclosed stairwells, and in a high-crime area. The scope of the construction contract includes reconstructing the Transit Center's bus stop waiting areas on Watt Avenue; replacing the stair structures; widening the sidewalks along the Watt Avenue overpass; incorporating improved bike access along the overpass; improving pedestrian access under Watt Avenue from the northbound bus stop to the light rail station; modifying the freeway off-ramps for improved pedestrian access; adding/updating lighting, signage, site furnishings, and fencing; and updating the operator restroom and breakroom.

The Board delegated authority for the GM/CEO to award a construction contract on October 23, 2023, and a construction contract was executed with Thompson Builders Corporation (Contractor) on January 26, 2024. Notice to Proceed was issued on May 9, 2024.

The table below includes all Contract Change Orders issued to date for the Contract:

<b>CCO#</b>	<b>CCO Name</b>	<b>CCO Amount</b>	<b>CCO Total</b>	<b>Contract Total</b>
1	Revised Drainage Plans	\$138,483.00	\$138,483.00	\$19,424,029.04
2	Utility Relocation at West Stair Foundation	\$149,000.00	\$287,483.00	\$19,573,029.04
3	Sewer Drain Relocation	\$23,000.00	\$310,483.00	\$19,596,029.04
4	Asbestos Removal and ADL Limits Clarification	\$7,551.00	\$318,034.00	\$19,603,580.04
5	Contract Time Extension for Resequencing	\$204,700.00	\$522,734.00	\$19,808,280.04
6	Bridge Overhang Modifications, Contract Extension and Misc Items	\$126,334.00	\$649,068.00	\$19,934,614.04
7	Replace Existing Damaged Drain Inlet	\$59,603.00	\$708,671.00	\$19,994,217.04
8	West Barrier Wall Revisions	\$149,000.00	\$857,671.00	\$20,149,217.04
9	West Stair Footing Redesign	\$149,000.00	\$1,006,671.00	\$20,292,217.04
10	Electrical Changes	\$25,000.00	\$1,031,671.00	\$20,317,217.04

The Contract scope included demolition of the center median on the top of the Watt Avenue bridge and required Contractor to protect and maintain Sacramento County's traffic signal interconnect system located at the center median of Watt Avenue. During the Underground Service Alert (USA) utility location marking process, it was determined that in addition to the interconnect (copper coaxial cable), there is also a fiber optic line owned by Sacramento County. The County fiber optic line was not shown in as-built or record drawing documentation known to SacRT, the designer Mark Thomas & Company (MTCO), or the County CMID Inspector assigned to the project; nor was it marked up or noted by the County during its reviews of the project plan set.

As part of CCO No. 5, SacRT granted Contractor a compensable time extension for this differing site condition, but the ultimate plan for relocation of the fiber optic cable was deferred while SacRT's design contractor prepared updated Plan sheets that reflect the relocation.

The existing fiber optic line lays underneath the median, is unprotected, and is not in a conduit. For Thompson to complete the contractual scope of work, the fiber line must be relocated, and the relocated fiber must be cut-over and operational prior to the demolition of the center median.

The new design for the relocated fiber optic line will also affect the connections to the service pedestals at both eastbound and westbound off-ramps from I-80. The pathway of

the relocated fiber optic line will also conflict with a proposed drain inlet and storm drain pipe at the Watt Avenue on-ramp to Auburn Boulevard, which Contractor must now relocate to an existing drain inlet.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-04-034

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

April 28, 2025

**APPROVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 11 TO THE CONTRACT FOR WATT/I-80 TRANSIT CENTER IMPROVEMENTS WITH THOMPSON BUILDERS CORPORATION**

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

THAT, the Contract Change Order No. 11 to the Contract for Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvements between Sacramento Regional Transit District, therein referred to as "SacRT," and Thompson Builders Corporation, therein referred to as "Contractor," whereby the Contractor agrees to relocate the unforeseen County fiber optic line, connect the relocated fiber optic line to the service pedestals, and modify the drainage as needed, as further specified in CCO No. 11, for an amount of \$159,816.00, increasing the total contract consideration from \$20,317,217.04 to \$20,477,033.04, is hereby approved

THAT, the General Manager/CEO or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to execute the foregoing Contract Change Order.

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RICK JENNINGS, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary