



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

January 28, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Linda Lowry, City Manager

Submitted by: Rene Guerrero, Interim Public Works Director

Subject: **Approval of Sole-Source Sixth Amendment for Professional Services with Urban Crossroads, Inc. in the Amount of \$57,800 for Consultant Specialty Traffic Review Services Related to Gold Line**

OVERVIEW

Recommendation – That the City Council:

1. Approve a sole-source sixth amendment for professional services in the amount \$57,800 with Urban Crossroads, Inc. for specialty review services related to Gold Line; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents to implement the above action, subject to review by the City Attorney.

Fiscal Impact – Sufficient funding is already included in the Prop A Fund in the approved FY 2018-19 Operational Budget, and available for this work. Current and future fiscal year operational budgets will include sufficient funding to cover the cost of all amendments to the agreements and amendments related to Gold Line. City Code Section 2-977(a) allows for sole-source approvals of professional services by City Council, excluding public works projects within the adopted capital improvement.

Previous Related Action – On December 7, 2015, the City Council approved a Sole-Source Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$17,400 with Urban Crossroads, Inc. for consultant specialty traffic review services for Metro Gold Line – Phase II (Phase 2B); and authorized the City Manager to approve the agreement and all amendments thereto necessary for completing the consultant specialty traffic review services. On October 17, 2016, the City Council approved an amendment to the sole-source professional services agreement in the amount of \$15,000 with Urban Crossroads, Inc. for consultant specialty traffic review services for Metro Gold Line – Phase II (Phase 2B). On January 8, 2018, the City Council approved an amendment to a sole-source professional services agreement in the amount of \$76,300 with Urban Crossroads, Inc. for consultant specialty parking review services for Metro Gold Line – Phase II (Phase 2B). On June 4, 2018, the City Council approved an amendment to a sole-source professional service agreement in the amount of \$24,000 with Urban Crossroads, Inc. for consultant specialty traffic review services for Metro Gold Line – Phase II (Phase 2B). On October 30, 2018, City Staff executed a fifth Amendment with Urban Crossroads, Inc. revising

the scope of work for the executed Third Amendment for specialty parking review services related to the Gold Line, removing two stations (Sierra Madre Villa and Azusa Downtown Station) and replacing them with Irwindale and Monrovia stations for parking analysis.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Sole Source Agreement with Urban Crossroads, Inc., and HR Green Pacific, Inc. separately, has allowed the City to review specific traffic and parking study submittals. The sixth amendment to the agreement with Urban Crossroads, Inc., in the amount of \$57,800 (increasing current contract from \$156,700 to \$214,500), will provide continuity of specialty review related to traffic issues, ensuring the City's interests are protected as the Gold Line project design and environmental review progresses. The bulk of these specialty review services are expected to take place over the next 3 to 4 months, approximately.

DISCUSSION

The Gold Line Extension is a proposed light rail project that may extend the light rail corridor from Azusa to Montclair, passing through Pomona. However, Gold Line budget issues may result in La Verne, Pomona, or Claremont becoming temporary/permanent terminus stations.

The Gold Line Authority (GLA) is providing submittals for the City to review on an on-going basis for year 2019. These submittals involve impacts to parking, as well as traffic, on City streets and require specialty consultant review services due to the nature of this project and the multiple rail lines involved.

In an effort to review and comment on this current submittal and to protect the City's interests, Staff recommends the proposed amendment to secure the services of Urban Crossroads, Inc. to help with the reviews and comments. Urban Crossroads, Inc. is uniquely qualified for this type of work having been thoroughly involved in similar prior traffic analyses providing substantiation for the litigation settlement.

Specialty Traffic Review Services

The currently proposed potential changes to the Gold Line project description (scope) necessitate specialty traffic and parking review. The current potential change may result in Pomona becoming a terminus station. If Pomona becomes a terminus station, then parking and traffic impacts will be different than if Pomona remained an intermediate station, as originally proposed. The parking structure in Pomona is now also being proposed by the GLA to be relocated from north of the rail tracks to south of the rail tracks. These potential changes need to be reviewed so that the appropriate mitigations are identified to address and offset the changes.

City Code Section 2- 977(a) allows sole-sourcing professional services when the service is only available from one source or when the time and cost for obtaining additional competitive proposals exceeds the probable savings. Since further litigation is possible and Urban Crossroads, Inc. is the only similar firm previously involved with this project, and since involving multiple similar firms in potential litigation is not advisable, it follows that the recommended services are only available from Urban Crossroads, Inc. In addition, the rate schedules for any competitive firms and the time they would require to do the same work is expected to be the same as or more than Urban Crossroads, Inc. meaning there would be not anticipated savings from bidding this scope. Further, there would be additional time and cost

needed for obtaining additional proposals. Therefore, both alternatives in City Code Section 2-977(a) for sole-sourcing this work are satisfied.

The Agreement amendment for these specialty services in the amount of \$57,800 for Urban Crossroads, Inc. is recommended to ensure consistency and timeliness of specialty review services.

The proposed services and recommended action is reasonable and commensurate with the nature of the proposed Gold Line project.

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