



April 14, 2025

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Approval to Release Request for Proposals for Construction Management Support Services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority has developed a request for proposals to initiate a competitive procurement process to retain a consultant to provide construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue.

Recommendations

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 5-3961 for the selection of a consultant to provide construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 5-3961 to provide construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is implementing the Interstate 5 (I-5) Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue (Project). The Project is part of Project B in the Measure M2 (M2) freeway program and is being advanced through the updated Next 10 Delivery Plan approved by the OCTA Board of Directors (Board) in November 2024.

The Project will add one general purpose lane in both the southbound and northbound directions on I-5 between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue, re-establish auxiliary lanes, and improve the existing on- and off-ramps.

Final design for the Project is nearing completion with advertisement for construction bids targeted for late 2025. OCTA staff proposes using Caltrans for the advertising, award, and administration of the construction contract. However, OCTA will support Caltrans by providing consultant field staff through this procurement for roadway and structures inspection, an office engineer, scheduling, claims support, materials testing, environmental and paleontology monitoring, surveying, the resident engineer's office, and vehicles for field inspectors. As the implementing agency for the construction phase, Caltrans will provide the senior resident engineer, structures representative, and other field personnel, along with construction administrative support. A construction cooperative agreement with Caltrans will be executed prior to the Project moving into the construction phase.

Procurement Approach

OCTA's Board-approved procurement policies and procedures require that the Board approve all requests for proposals (RFP) over \$1,000,000, as well as approve the evaluation criteria and weightings. Staff is submitting for Board approval the draft RFP and evaluation criteria and weightings, which will be used to evaluate proposals received in response to the RFP. The recommended evaluation criteria and weightings are as follows:

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| • Qualifications of the Firm | 20 percent |
| • Staffing and Project Organization | 40 percent |
| • Work Plan | 40 percent |

The evaluation criteria and weightings are consistent with criteria developed for similar architectural and engineering (A&E) procurements. Several factors were considered in developing the criteria and weightings. The firms' qualifications and experience in performing relevant work of similar scope, size, and complexity are important to the success of the Project. Staff proposes to give a high level of importance to staffing and project organization, as the qualifications of the project manager and other key task leaders are critical to understanding the project requirements and to the timely delivery and successful performance of the work. An equal level of importance is also assigned to the work plan, as the technical approach is critical to the successful performance and timely delivery of the Project. As this is an A&E procurement, price is not an evaluation criterion pursuant to state and federal laws.

The RFP will be released upon Board approval of these recommendations.

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Fiscal Impact

Funding for this Project is included in OCTA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Budget and subsequent FY budgets, Capital Programs Division, Account No. 0017-9085-FB102-1OC, and will be funded with local M2 funds.

Summary

Board of Directors' approval is requested to release Request for Proposals 5-3961 for construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue, as well as approval of the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings.

Attachment

- A. Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) 5-3961, Construction Management Support Services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue

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