

### March 14, 2019

**To:** Transit Committee

**From:** Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

**Subject:** Agreement for Pedestrian Access to the Operations Building at the

Santa Ana Bus Base

#### Overview

On December 27, 2018, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors issued an invitation for bids for a pedestrian access to the operations building at the Santa Ana Bus Base. Bids were received in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's public works procurement procedures. Board of Directors' approval is requested to execute the agreement.

#### Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-8-2098 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and A2Z Construct, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$270,000, for a pedestrian access to the operations building at the Santa Ana Bus Base.

### Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) completed construction of the Santa Ana Bus Base in 2005. The original project did not provide for pedestrian access at the bus base entrance from West MacArthur Boulevard. This project improves current conditions to provide Americans with Disabilities Act-(ADA) compliant pedestrian access at the bus base entrance for employees to access the operations building when using alternative transportation means to arrive at the workplace. The project scope includes a new paved pathway, card access controlled gate, intercom system and related video cameras, safety lighting, striping, and signage to improve employee safety and to reduce risk of pedestrian contact with vehicles entering the facility.

# Procurement Approach

This procurement was handled in accordance with OCTA's Board of Directors-approved procedures for public works projects. These procedures, which conform to both federal and state requirements, require that contracts are awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder after a sealed bidding process.

Invitation for Bids (IFB) 8-2098 was released on December 27, 2018, through OCTA's CAMM NET system. The project was advertised on January 1 and 8, 2019, in a newspaper of general circulation. A pre-bid conference and job walk was held on January 8, 2019, and was attended by eight firms. One addendum was issued to provide the pre-bid conference registration sheets and handle administrative issues related to the IFB. On January 31, 2019, two bids were received and publicly opened.

All bids were reviewed by staff from both Contracts Administration and Materials Management and Facilities Engineering departments to ensure compliance with the contract terms and conditions, and technical specifications. The list of bidders and bid amounts is presented below:

Firm and Location	Bid Amount
A2Z Construct Inc. Rancho Santa Margarita, California	\$270,000
CEM Construction Corporation Downey, California	\$318,000

The engineer's estimate for this project was \$325,000. The recommended firm's bid is 17 percent below the engineer's estimate and is considered by staff to be fair and reasonable.

State law requires award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. As such, staff recommends award to A2Z Construct Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$270,000, for pedestrian access to the operations building at the Santa Ana Bus Base.

# Fiscal Impact

The project was included in OCTA's Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget, Capital Programs Division, Account code 1722-9022-D2126-0KZ, and is funded through local transportation funds.

## Summary

Based on the information provided, staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-8-2098 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and A2Z Construct Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$270,000, for pedestrian access to the operations building at the Santa Ana Bus Base.

### Attachment

None.

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