



October 26, 2020

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 State Route 55 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5

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 State Route 55 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5.

Recommendations

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 0-2582 for selection of a consultant to provide construction management support services for the State Route 55 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 0-2582 to provide construction management support services for the State Route 55 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is implementing the State Route 55 (SR-55) Improvement Project between Interstate 405 (I-405) and Interstate 5 (I-5) (Project). The Project is part of Project F 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 2019.

The four-mile long Project will add general purpose and high-occupancy vehicle lanes in each direction between I-405 and I-5, and will also add auxiliary lanes between interchanges. The 100 percent design package was submitted to Caltrans

on April 29, 2020, and is close to being ready for construction. The construction contract is expected to be advertised in mid-2021. OCTA is seeking a qualified firm to provide construction management support services.

OCTA staff proposes to use Caltrans for the administration of the construction contract. As the implementing agency for the construction phase, Caltrans will provide the resident engineer, structures representative, and other field personnel, along with construction administrative support and environmental monitoring. OCTA will provide consultant field staff for construction inspection, the office engineer, scheduling, claims support, materials testing, and field surveying.

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 |

In developing the criteria and weightings, several factors were considered. The firm's qualifications and experience in performing relevant work of similar scope, size, and complexity are important to the success of the Project. Next, 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 an understanding of freeway construction and other required critical activities, such as utility relocations and coordination, control of the contractor's work within temporary construction easement limits, and management of anticipated critical work elements in the risk register is critical to the success of the Project. As this is an architectural and engineering 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

The Project is included in OCTA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Budget and subsequent FY budgets, Capital Programs Division, Account 0017-9085-FF101-1OP, and will be funded with local M2 funds at this time while staff seeks opportunities to include state and federal funds.

Summary

Board of Directors' approval is requested to release Request for Proposals 0-2582 for construction management support services for the State Route 55 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5 and approval of the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings.

Attachment

- A. Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) 0-2582, Construction Management Support Services for the State Route 55 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5

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