



March 8, 2021

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Approval to Release Request for Proposals for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project Between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue

Overview

Staff has developed a request for proposals to initiate a competitive procurement process to retain consultant services to prepare plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.

Recommendations

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 1-3298 for consultant services for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 1-3298 for consultant services for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.

Discussion

The State Route 57 (SR-57) Northbound (NB) Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue (Project) is part of Project G in the Measure M2 (M2) freeway program, and is included in the updated Next 10 Delivery Plan adopted by the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors (Board) in November 2019. The Project is scheduled to move into the design phase using M2 and federal funding.

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The Project will add one general purpose (GP) lane in the NB direction on SR-57 between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue. The Project will construct the missing section of the fifth GP lane, extend the existing auxiliary lane from the Orangewood Avenue off-ramp to the Katella Avenue off-ramp, improve the Katella Avenue off-ramp to provide additional storage capacity, and extend the merge length between the existing freeway on-/off-ramps to improve weaving distance.

The final environmental document was signed on March 29, 2019, with build alternative 2 identified as the preferred alternative by the project development team. Alternative 2 includes the addition of the missing section of the fifth GP lane in the NB direction from Orangewood Avenue to Katella Avenue, while keeping the existing NB slip-ramp from Orangewood Avenue to SR-57.

Procurement Approach

OCTA Board-approved procurement policies and procedures require that the Board approve all request 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 are consistent with criteria developed for similar architectural and engineering (A&E) procurements. Several factors were considered in developing the criteria weightings. The qualifications of the firm in performing work of similar scope and size are important to the success of the Project. Staff assigned a high level of importance to staffing and project organization, as the qualifications of the project manager and other key task leaders are of most importance to the timely delivery of the Project. Likewise, a high level of importance was also assigned to the work plan as the technical approach to the Project is critical to the successful performance of the Project. As this is an A&E procurement, price is not an evaluation criterion pursuant to state and federal laws.

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

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Fiscal Impact

Funding for the Project is included in the proposed OCTA's Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget, Capital Programs Division, Account No. 0017-7519-FG104-02K, and will be funded with a combination of federal and local funds.

Summary

Board of Directors' approval is requested to release Request for Proposals 1-3298 for consultant services for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue, as well as approval of the proposal evaluation criteria and weightings.

Attachment

- A. Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) 1-3298, Consultant Services for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project Between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue

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