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Agenda Item No. 2a

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 12, 2014

ATTENDANCE

Chair Mackenzie called the MTC Operations Committee meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Other Committee members in attendance were Committee Vice Chair Kinsey, Commissioners Aguirre, Giacomini, Haggerty, Halsted, Liccardo, Luce, and Spering. Commissioners Tissier and Weiner were present as ad hoc non-voting members. Commission Chair Rein Worth was present in her ex-officio voting member capacity.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Upon motion of Commissioner Luce, which was seconded by Commissioner Halsted, the Committee unanimously approved the consent calendar, which included the following items:

- a) Minutes of July 11, 2014 meeting.*
- b) Fourth Quarter SAFE Financial Statements June 2014 (Unaudited)
- c) Contract Amendment – On-Call Transportation Engineering and Planning Services – Ramp Metering Support: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (\$500,000)
- d) Contract – On-Call Transportation Management System Services – Design of Joint Operations Center at 375 Beale: DKS Associates (\$200,000)
- e) Contract – On-Call Transportation Management System Services – Connected Vehicle Program Support: Cambridge Systematics, Inc. (\$150,000)
- f) Contract Amendments – On-Call Transportation Management System Services for 511
 - 511 Technical Support: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (\$100,000)
 - Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture Maintenance: Iteris, Inc. (\$200,000)

Arterial Operations Program: Next Generation Arterial Operations Program FY2014-15 Cycle of Projects (\$4,250,000) and Contract Amendment – Program for Arterial System Synchronization Systems Engineering Support: Iteris, Inc. \$430,000)

Lin Zhang requested Committee approval of the Next Generation Arterial Operations Program (NextGen AOP) FY 2014-15 Cycle of Projects totaling \$4,250,000 and a contract amendment with Iteris, Inc. (Iteris), in an amount not to exceed \$430,000 to provide systems engineering services for the NextGen AOP. The Chief Financial Officer was also directed to set aside funds in the amount of \$430,000 for such contract amendment.

Commissioner Luce stated that Caltrans submitted an application for the Highway 29 corridor through American Canyon that did not get awarded, and he asked staff to look into the project for future consideration.

Upon motion of Commissioner Aguirre, which was seconded by Commissioner Spring, the Committee unanimously approved the NextGen AOP FY 2014-15 Cycle of Projects and authorized the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Iteris in an amount not to exceed \$ 430,000 to perform engineering services for such projects.

California Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Update

Melanie Crotty, MTC Director, introduced George Mazur, Cambridge Systematics, who presented an update of the California Strategic Highway Safety Plan on behalf of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The plan identifies key safety needs of the State and serves to guide implementation strategies designed to address these needs.

Committee comment:

- Commissioner Halsted stated that the use of cell phones while people are driving continues to be a significant problem. She encouraged Caltrans to analyze it as a cause for crashes and to engage the manufacturers to find a way to preclude people from being tempted to use cell phones while driving.
- Commissioner Aguirre asked what type of assessment is being done to understand the recent uptick in fatalities and inquired whether the data is broken down by pedestrians, cyclists, and motor vehicles trips. Mr. Mazur noted that some of the mode-specific information will be available and discussed at an outreach event in October/November and will be analyzed in different ways.
- Commissioner Worth noted that pavement conditions of local streets and roads can contribute to the risk of crashes. She stated that it would be helpful to have the data to understand the underlying causes of the crashes. Commissioner Worth also commented on the importance of community outreach, including to the school community in particular. Mr. Mazur then introduced Ursula Studer of Caltrans. She stated that Caltrans does have some youth advocacy groups involved that will do some outreach to the younger drivers. There is a focus on both teen and elderly drivers.
- Commissioner Mackenzie asked whether Caltrans is conducting specific outreach to county congestion management agencies (CMAs). Mr. Mazur stated that their outreach process

includes many statewide associations; they feel that the statewide association is the most effective way to reach all CMAs. Commissioner Mackenzie also requested that Caltrans provide an update to this item. Ms. Studer stated that Caltrans would be happy to present the draft final report for comment.

- Commissioner Giacomini asked whether the analysis had controlled for traffic volume on the severe injury and fatality chart to reflect the impact from the health of economy. Mr. Mazur stated that the statewide travel reduction was less than 10% and that the crashes decreased more than the reduction in traffic volume.

Public Comment/Other Business/Next Meeting/Adjournment:

There being no further business, Chair Mackenzie adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m. The next meeting of the Operations Committee is scheduled for Friday, October 10, 2014 at 9:35 a.m. in the Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium, Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, Oakland, CA.