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Memorandum

TO: Administration Committee

DATE: May 2, 2007

FR: Deputy Executive Director, Operations

W. I. 1122

RE: Contract Amendment – Bay Area / California High Speed Rail Ridership and Revenue Forecasts: Cambridge Systematics, Inc.

In January 2005, following a competitive procurement process, the Administration Committee authorized award of a contract in the amount of \$1,500,000 to Cambridge Systematics, Inc. to develop travel demand models and travel forecasts for analyzing High Speed Rail Ridership and revenue in California and the Bay Area.

This item asks the Committee to authorize a contract amendment to add \$194,528 to the Cambridge Systematics contract for thirty-five (35) additional alignment alternatives for both the Altamont Pass and Pacheco Pass corridors for the High Speed Rail Study.

Background

MTC and the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) have been working together on this Regional Measure #2 study to examine Bay Area access to the California High Speed Rail System. This study began in early 2005, and is on schedule to complete ridership forecasts by mid-2007. The ridership and revenue forecasts will be used by the CHSRA in ongoing environmental report preparation.

We anticipate that the work will be completed by end of July 2007. This model system will also be used by MTC in several ongoing studies, including the Regional Rail Plan and the I-80 Smarter Growth Corridor Study.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that this Committee authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Cambridge Systematics, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$194,528 to add alignment alternatives to the High Speed Rail Ridership and Revenue Forecast Study.

Ann Flemer

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REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Summary of Proposed Consultant Contract Amendment

Work Item No.: 1122

Consultant: Cambridge Systematics, Inc
Oakland, Ca

Work Project Title: Bay Area / California High Speed Rail Ridership & Revenue Forecasting Study

Purpose of Project: Consultant will develop a statewide model system and prepare High Speed Rail Ridership Forecasts

Brief Scope of Work: This amendment will add thirty-five (35) alignment alternatives for the Altamont Pass and Pacheco Pass corridors to the Study

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$194,528 amendment (Prior Contract \$1,569,500)

Funding Source: Regional Measure #2

Fiscal Impact: Available from FYs 2004-05 and 2005-06 (subject to Commission approval) Agency Budgets

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or his designated representative is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Cambridge Systematics to prepare additional travel forecasts for the MTC/California High Speed Rail Ridership and Revenue Study, and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to set aside funds up to \$194,528 for such contract amendment.

Administration Committee: _____
Bob Blanchard, Chair

Approved: Date: May 9, 2007