MEMO

Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

June 8, 2017

To: Governing Board

From: John T. Doherty, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Amendment to Agreement No. C0711 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. for On-Call Railroad Signal Engineering Design Services (Approval)

Recommendation:

Approve an amendment to Agreement No. C0711 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. (PRE) for on-call signal and communications engineering design services which will extend the term for one year through June 30, 2018 and add $100,000 to the contract value and authorize the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer to execute said amendment. It is also recommended that the Board find that conducting a competitive selection process for these services would not be practical or advantageous to ACTA at this time.

Discussion:

PRE provides multiple types of services regarding the railroad signal system and grade crossing protection elements of the Corridor. They also are the custodian of the computerized signal circuit plans that are made available to the regulatory agencies, and are the FRA designee for software configuration and application programs and as such approve, implement and record changes to plans when design modifications or enhancements are made.

PRE has most recently been requested by ACTA to perform the engineering design services for the signal and grade crossing changes for UPRR’s Dolores Yard Cross-over Project and the Positive Train Control (PTC) interfaces required by UPRR and BNSF at the north end of the Corridor. The costs for PRE’s services with regard to these two special Railroad projects will be reimbursable by BNSF and/or UPRR.

This contract has been in place since September 1, 2003. This firm is a certified Small Business Enterprise. The Board-approved not-to-exceed amount is now $1,100,000. If approved, the new not-to-exceed value will be $1,200,000. This is a task order based contract and task orders will be issued as needed, when PRE’s expertise is required.

It is recommended that the Board approve this amendment without undertaking a new competitive selection process at this time because doing so would not be practical or advantageous to ACTA given the project work that they are now undertaking. The opportunity for re-competition will be reevaluated during FY18.
Budget Impact:

Funds are included in the FY18 Program Budget.