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Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

November 15, 2019

<i>To:</i>	Governing Board
From:	John T. Doherty, Chief Executive Officer
	Approval of Agreement No. C0889 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. for On-Call Railroad Signal Engineering Design Services and Approval to Terminate Agreement No. C0711 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. (APPROVAL)

Recommendation:

- 1) Approve Agreement No. C0889 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. (PRE) for On-Call Railroad Signal Engineering Design Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$250,000 for a five-year term, with one 3-year option to renew; and authorize the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer to execute said agreement.
- 2) Approve the termination of Agreement No. C0711 with Pacific Railway Enterprises, Inc. (PRE); and authorize the Chief Executive Officer or Chief Financial Officer to issue the termination letter.

Discussion:

In August, ACTA released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for On-Call Signal Engineering Design Services to its website and advertised in two local publications that the RFP was available. The RFP was also posted by the City of Los Angeles on its contracting opportunities website and sent directly to ten firms who provide signal related services. Two responses were received on or before the September 11, 2019 due date. A four-member review panel was utilized consisting of representatives from the Port of Los Angles, the Port of Long Beach, and the BNSF Railway Company, as well as a member of ACET, ACTA's Program Management team. No firms were interviewed because the written proposals provided adequate information to evaluate the proposers. Each firm was evaluated on the basis of firm qualifications; project organization and personnel; technical approach; project management; rates and fees; and clarity and comprehensiveness of the proposal. Scoring and ranking were generally consistent between the panel members, and PRE was unanimously ranked as the recommended firm to provide the services.



The on-call signal engineering design consultant provides multiple design services for the railroad signal system and grade crossing warning devices on the Corridor. PRE is also the custodian of the computerized signal circuit plans that are made available to the regulatory agencies and it is the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) designee for software configuration and application programs. As the FRA designee, PRE approves, implements and records changes to plans when signal design modifications or enhancements are made on the Corridor.

Additionally, PRE will provide necessary signal engineering design services as may be required by one or both Railroads. Under PRE's current contract they provided preliminary engineering design services for the signal and grade crossing changes for UPRR's Dolores Yard Cross-over Project and the final design of the Positive Train Control (PTC) interfaces required at the north end of the Corridor. The costs for these two special Railroad projects are reimbursable by one or both Railroads. Such services will continue to be provided, as required.

The proposed agreement with PRE would be for a five-year term, beginning on or about, December 1, 2019, with compensation on a time and materials basis. The contract not-to-exceed amount would be \$250,000. There is one 3-year option to renew, effective upon approval by the Board to exercise the option prior to the expiration of the initial 5-year term. This is a task order based contract and task orders would be issued as needed when PRE's services are required.

A summary of the scoring of the proposals received and the proposed agreement with PRE are attached to this board report.

Background:

In 2003, following the completion of the Corridor, ACTA entered into an agreement with PRE for on-call railroad signal engineering design services. Through various Board approved amendments, PRE has continued to provide those services since that time. The current contract with PRE will expire on June 30, 2020. Upon Board approval of the new Agreement No. C0889, ACTA will execute said Agreement and terminate the existing Agreement No. C0711.

Budget Impact:

Funds for the current fiscal year are included in the FY20 Program and Operating Budget.

Co-General Counsel:

ACTA's Co-General Counsel has reviewed and approved the proposed Agreement as to form.

Transmittals:

Transmittal 1 – Evaluation Summary-Scoring and Ranking Matrix Transmittal 2 – On-Call Railroad Signal Engineering Design Services Agreement No. C0889