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## Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

March 11, 2021

<b>To:</b>	Governing Board
<b>From:</b>	Michael C. Leue, Chief Executive Officer Kevin L. Scott, Chief Financial Officer
<b>Subject:</b>	<i>Engage Alameda Corridor Engineering Team in FY22 Budget Preparation for Support Services (APPROVAL)</i>

### Recommendation:

As set forth herein, it is recommended that the Board authorize staff to include the engagement of the Alameda Corridor Engineering Team (ACET) in the FY22 budget preparation process for ACTA's continued use of ACET's engineering and specialized services.

### Discussion:

ACET is a joint venture (JV) that has been providing program management support to ACTA since January 1996. The JV is comprised of four firms: AECOM Technical Services, Inc.; Moffatt & Nichol, Inc.; Jenkins/Gales & Martinez, Inc.; and TELACU Construction Management, Inc. together with several sub-consultants. The selection of ACET was based on a competitive process.

### Background:

Services provided throughout the years have included project planning, engineering, environmental support, ROW acquisition and management, utility coordination, project controls, contract and construction management, and various other special functions. At the peak of Corridor construction in FY2000, over 170 full-time-equivalent (FTE) ACET positions provided support to ACTA's \$2.4 billion program. That FTE number is now less than 10 providing engineering and specialized services. The original ACET contract term was 10 years, expiring December 31, 2005. Since, FY16 the scope and value of ACET services program has been extended for each upcoming year based on annual approval by the Board.

### Current ACET Consulting:

The following full-time ACET work is performed at the ACTA office, for which ACET pays half the rent:



1. *Technical Manager* – vacant – oversees ACET staff and coordinates all engineering activities.
2. *Project Coordinator* – performs coordination tasks including ACTA’s obligations to Caltrans under cooperative agreements.
3. *Environmental Engineer* – coordinates ongoing regulatory reporting functions for pump stations and other environmental matters.
4. *IT Manager* – maintains office, revenue collection, and railroad safety, security and communications systems.
5. *Reports Coordinator/Administrative Assistant* – provides graphics and statistical analysis/support for all presentations, operations performance data (train counts, revenue, and container counts), information requests and exhibits.
6. *Maintenance/Construction Coordinator* – oversees activities of the Corridor Maintenance Contractor.

Additional engineering resources are also available on an as-needed basis from the joint venture home offices, which invoice only for services performed upon request. In addition, several sub-consultants provide services through the ACET contract for ACTA’s obligations under the SR-47 Caltrans cooperative agreements, as well as remaining right-of-way services required for property transfers for the original project.

In keeping with the Board’s past approval of one-year extensions, it is recommended that the Board approve the continued use of ACET’s engineering and specialized services for FY22. The ACET contract extension will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 2021 Board meeting. Renewing the current ACET agreement is recommended because the current ACET team is in the best position to carry out the remaining work to complete the SR-47 Caltrans cooperative agreements, property transfers and project close-out functions. These projects are all in their final stages and it would not be practical or advantageous to assign new firms and staff to step in at this time to complete the work.

During the upcoming two fiscal years, ACTA will reduce the ACET contract as work concludes. After this period, ACTA will seek Board approval to re-bid or otherwise provide specific services that will be needed during FY24 and beyond.

**Budget Impact:**

There is no budget impact regarding this approval at this time. Should the Board recommend that the existing ACET contract be extended, the contract amendment will be brought to the Board in June 2021 for approval and inclusion in the FY22 Program Budget.

**Co-General Counsel:**

ACTA’s Co-General Counsel has reviewed this Board Report and there are no legal issues at this time.