

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: December 8, 2014

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 10, 2014

Subject: Transit Systems Development e-Builder Sole Source Contract Amendment

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes, Section 473.3999

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Division/Department: Metro Transit/Transit Systems Development

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to approve a Sole Source procurement and contract amendment with e-Builder for an increased amount of \$169,000 to a total value not to exceed \$850,000.

Background

E-Builder is an internet-based project management system that standardizes and improves communication, and increases accountability between the project offices, consultants, contractors and other project stakeholders by providing a single location to submit, review, approve and access project documents.

Since competitively procuring the e-Builder system in 2010, the Central Corridor Project Office (CCPO) has used e-Builder with outstanding results. Metro Transit, Metropolitan Council, contractors, consultants, and project stakeholders have realized many benefits during and after the construction phase of the Green Line (CCLRT) Project as a result of the e-Builder system, including:

- Streamlined construction review and change authorization processes
- Facilitated project documentation archival
- Increased collaboration between all project participants

A second competitive procurement for the Green Line Extension (SWLRT) Project in 2012 also resulted in the selection of the e-Builder system and has expanded functionality with continued outstanding results. These successes, as well as the benefits in working within one consistent project management system, demonstrate that procurement of the e-Builder system for use by all Transit Systems Development (TSD) Project Offices is justified as a sole source.

Existing contract #12P044, between the Met Council and e-Builder, is exclusively for use on the Green Line Extension (SWLRT) Project and will be amended to include all Transit Systems Development (TSD) project offices, including the Blue

Line Extension (BLRT) Project and close out activities for the Green Line (CCLRT) Project. The Green Line close out e-Builder access is minimal and would be at no additional cost. Amending the existing SWLRT contract will save the Council \$84,900 during the three year term, as shown on the table below.

		Cost/yr	Total Cost
Option #1	SWLRT existing contract	\$94,000	\$282,000
	New sole source contract for BLRT/CCLRT	\$103,100	\$309,300
	TOTAL, Option #1	\$197,100	\$591,300
Option #2	SWLRT, BLRT and CCLRT on single contract, via contract amendment	\$168,800	\$506,400
	TOTAL, Option #2 (preferred option)	\$168,800	\$506,400
COST SAVINGS			(84,900)

Rationale

The scope of the existing contract with e-Builder includes the Green Line Extension (SWLRT) Project only. Authorizing this sole source and contract amendment with e-Builder will allow the existing contract to be expanded to also include the Blue Line Extension (BLRT) Project and close out of the Green Line (CCLRT) Project at a cost savings of \$84,900.

Funding

Funds are available in the Green Line Extension and Blue Line Extension project budgets. There is no cost to include CCLRT closeout access.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to this sole source contract amendment.