

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: November 9, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 18, 2020

Subject: Ubisense Sole Source Software Maintenance and Support Agreement 20P296

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurements of Goods and Services over \$500,000

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Division/Department: RA Information Services/Metro Transit

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award, negotiation and execution of sole source contract with Ubisense America LLC not to exceed \$682,285 for ongoing support and maintenance services for the Ubisense Smart Space propriety software platform.

Background

Metro Transit has been utilizing the Ubisense system since 2010 and the current system maintenance support contract is set to expire on December 31, 2020. The Smart Space application monitors and provides real-time location data on critical transportation assets and provides opportunities for processes to be visible, controllable and streamlined. It provides key data on the location of our assets in order to ensure the best possible customer service to our valued clients. It reduces errors and notifies staff if processes or assets are off plan.

Rationale

The Council is dependent upon a stable secure transit services system in order to conduct our daily business. This agreement will allow ongoing operational stability while continuing to maintain systems that support mass transit across the region.

Thrive Lens Analysis

The transit support services agreement is needed to continue the critical transportation services this software provides across the region. This supports the Thrive outcomes of stewardship and sustainability.

Funding

Funding for this item is in the Information Services operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

No opposition is known at this time.