METRO GREEN LINE EXTENSION - SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT EXECUTIVE CHANGE CONTROL BOARD

Proposed Board Action

24-ECCB-014

Item Description:

Approval of the use of Project Contingency in the amount of \$556,917.85 to execute contract 24P214 with Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. for fare collection equipment for the Green Line Extension Project.

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Contract 24P214 to Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. for the Metro Green Line Extension (GLE) Project's Fare Collection Contract, on file with the Project Office, resulting in the use of \$556,917.85 of additional Project Contingency is APPROVED.

Background:

The METRO Green Line Extension Project (Project) includes 16 new stations which will require fare collection equipment. The equipment needs to integrate with the existing fleet of ticket vending machines (TVMs), rail smart card validators (RSVs) and handheld inspection devices used on the METRO Green and Blue Lines.

Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. is the Metropolitan Council's current provider of fare collection equipment, including the METRO Green Line. As the Project is the western half of the envisioned Green Line, introducing a new fare collection vendor would necessitate two disparate fare collection systems on the same route, potentially causing confusion for passengers and enforcement personnel and would be incompatible with the regional fare collection system. Procuring these services from Cubic is necessary to avoid incurring duplicative costs to maintain a single database for Cubic's NextFare software and Go-To Cards and allow for seamless customer experience, in addition to seamless system expansions and upgrades in the future.

The cost of this contract is \$6,622,370.56, which exceeds the amount of funds identified in the Full Funding Grant Agreement requiring the use of project contingency in the amount of \$556,917.85.

The Southwest Project Office is proposing the use of \$556,917.85 in project contingency to execute the contract.