



Date: March 14, 2022  
Current Meeting: March 17, 2022  
Board Meeting: March 24, 2022

**BOARD MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors  
**THROUGH:** President/CEO Inez P. Evans  
**FROM:** Vice President of Infrastructure, Strategy, and Innovation Jennifer Pyrz  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration and approval of Construction Management Task Order #1 for the Blue Line Bus Rapid Transit project

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**ACTION ITEM A – 3**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In a manner consistent with IPTC procurement contract award standards, it is requested that the Board authorize IPTC to execute a task order with Stantec Consulting, Inc. for pre-construction phase construction management services on the Blue Line project for an amount not to exceed \$5,198,691, contingent upon execution of full contract.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Blue Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project will be the third and largest of three rapid transit lines in the City of Indianapolis/Marion County. It will connect the Indianapolis International Airport to the Town of Cumberland via downtown Indianapolis along Washington Street. The project was identified in the regional transit framework, Indy Connect, in 2009-2010 and advanced to an Alternatives Analysis (AA) study in 2013. Both studies were conducted by the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in cooperation with IPTC, the Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA), and other regional partners. Those plans eventually resulted in the Marion County Transit Plan, which was presented to Marion County voters in November 2016 for adoption of a 0.25% income tax, dedicated to transit. In December 2017, the IndyGo 2018-2022 Capital Plan was adopted by the IPTC Board of Directors. This plan outlined the Blue Line project in more detail, including the specific mix of funding sources and timelines for the development of the project. WSP was selected as the designer of record (RFQ 17-11-279) and Blue Line design development began in early 2018. Stantec was selected to provide construction management (CM) services for the Blue Line in January 2022 (RFQ 21-09-424).

**DISCUSSION:**

Task Order #1 will cover CM services beginning with review of 60% design plans and continuing through construction contractor selection. The work in this task order will span approximately 30 months, from April 2022 to late 2024 when the project is bid. Through their design and other technical reviews, the CM team will confirm constructability of the design and evaluate its readiness to bid. The CM team will also prepare independent cost estimates, create an overall project schedule and risk register, prepare a Risk and Contingency Management Plan for FTA review and approval, assist in utility coordination, other third party coordination and stakeholder outreach activities, participate in team coordination meetings, assist IPTC in preparation of procurement and bidding documents, and be responsible for other activities that prepare IPTC and the Blue Line for successful construction.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

IPTC considers these services to be required for successful Blue Line construction. The Board could elect to delay this task order or break it into smaller pieces if necessary.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding for the Blue Line project is provided from a variety of sources, including FTA Small Starts, bond revenues, 5307 formula funds, and local funds, as documented in the Capital Plan.

**DBE/XBE DECLARATION:**

This solicitation had a 15% DBE participation goal. Stantec committed to 25% DBE participation in their proposal over the whole contract. This task order includes 19.8% DBE participation from sub-consultants Shrewsberry, Infrastructure Engineering, Inc. and Metric Environmental. All three firms are also certified as MBE firms. DBE participation during the construction phase (a future task order) is planned to be greater than 35%.

**STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:**

This action will be reviewed by the Finance Committee on March 17, 2022.