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Current Meeting: December 12, 2024
Board Meeting: December 19, 2024

BOARD MEMORANDUM

TO: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors
THROUGH: President and CEO Jennifer Pyrz
FROM: Director of Capital Projects Matt Duffy
SUBJECT: Consideration and approval of a new task order with WSP USA, Inc (WSP) for design services during construction on the Blue Line BRT Project

ACTION ITEM A – 13

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the President and CEO to execute a new Task Order with WSP under Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 17-11-279 that includes design services during construction on the Blue Line BRT construction project for an amount not to exceed \$2,200,414.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Directors approved the award of a design and engineering contract on the Blue Line to WSP in 2018. This is a task-order based contract with specific scope and fee for each new task order negotiated individually. To date, there have been thirteen task orders with fees totaling \$18,389,494 issued. WSP’s current task orders cover their work through the construction contract bid phase. If executed, this task order will include design services during construction on the project.

DISCUSSION:

This Task Order provides funds for the designer of record, WSP, to provide IPTC with design support during construction of the Blue Line. WSP will respond to contractor requests for information (RFIs), review shop drawings, contractor submittals, review contractor change order requests, and redesign or refinements as necessary. It is anticipated that work associated with this task order will conclude in late 2028 or early 2029.

In addition to design services during construction, approximately \$350K of the funds on this Task Order will go towards additional design fee necessary to progress design from 90-100%. As design and coordination with stakeholders including the City of Indianapolis, INDOT, and Citizens progressed, unanticipated design adjustments arose, which resulted in re-design effort. Replacement of the Construction Management team in April 2024 also contributed to design revisions that were not envisioned in the previous Task Orders. IPTC staff is closely reviewing the justification for additional fees.

ALTERNATIVES:

These services are required for successful construction of the project.

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:

The DBE goal on this project was 15%; participation to-date is 16%. This task order includes DBE participation from Shrewsberry & Associates at 7%, bringing the total DBE participation on the contract to 17%.

STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:

This action will be reviewed by the Service and Finance Committee on December 12, 2024.