

Meeting Date: July 22, 2024

To: Public Works Commission

Through: Carla Short, Public Works Director

Albert Ko, City Engineer and Deputy Director for Infrastructure

From: Ellen Lai, Project Manager

Subject: PW 5 Fulton Transit Improvements – Contract Award

Director's Recommendation: Award 5 Fulton Transit Improvements Sourcing Event ID No. 0000006630 to Ronan Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$3,119,884.00 with \$311,988.40 in contingency, and with a contract duration of 300 consecutive calendar days with 30 consecutive calendar days of contingency, to perform pedestrian safety and accessibility and transit service improvements, pavement resurfacing, traffic signal upgrades, bulb out construction, curb ramp and sidewalk enhancements, drainage work, overhead contact system (OCS) and traction power work, traffic control improvements and other associated infrastructure work at four intersections on Fulton Street at Arguello Boulevard, 6th Avenue, 8th Avenue, and 10th Avenue.

Contract Background: The 5 Fulton Transit Improvements funded by the San Francisco Transportation Agency (Project) includes pedestrian safety and accessibility and transit service improvements to two of Muni's busiest bus routes, the 5 Fulton and 5R Fulton bus routes, by creating six transit bulb-outs along Fulton Street to allow for faster bus boarding. This project intends to reduce boarding times and increased usability would benefit transit riders on the Fulton Street corridor.

The work to be performed under this contract consists of pavement resurfacing, traffic signal upgrades, bulb-out construction, curb ramp and sidewalk enhancements, drainage work, OCS and traction power work, traffic control improvements and other associated infrastructure work at four intersections on Fulton Street at Arguello Boulevard, 6th Avenue, 8th Avenue, and 10th Avenue.

Bus bulb-outs would be constructed at the following locations:

- Fulton Street and Arguello Boulevard: Northwest Corner
- Fulton Street and 6th Avenue: Northwest and Southeast Corners
- Fulton Street and 8th Avenue: Northwest Corner
- Fulton Street and 10th Avenue: Northwest and Southeast Corners

The proposed transit bus bulbouts are part of infrastructure that supports transit. Bus bulb-outs enhance the overall transit user experience.

The Department of Public Health identifies portions of Fulton Street as part of the 2017 Vision Zero High Injury Network. The proposed transit bulb-outs adjacent to 6th, 8th, and 10th Streets fall within this corridor boundary, and thus have the potential to help advance the City's Vision

Zero goals. These bulb-outs will improve safety by shortening crossing distances, increasing pedestrian comfort by reducing crowding, and providing a more generous buffer between pedestrian and vehicle traffic on the roadway, thereby reducing pedestrian exposure to vehicle traffic.

Solicitation Process: The Department advertised the project on March 21, 2024, and received four (4) bids on May 1, 2024. Staff evaluated the bids received. R&S Construction Management, Inc. ("R&S") was the apparent lowest bidder, however, R&S was deemed non-responsive because R&S failed to meet LBE subcontracting participation. R&S's LBE subcontractor participation is 23.87%, which is less than the required 25% minimum LBE subcontracting requirement.. Therefore, CMD reviewed the second lowest bid, Ronan Construction, Inc. ("Ronan") and determined that Ronan Construction, Inc. was the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid.

Contract Details:

Contract Title:	PW 5 Fulton Transit Improvements
Contract Award Amount:	\$3,119,884.00
Contract Contingency Amount:	\$311,988.40
Contract Funding Sources:	San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Transit Funds
Anticipated Project Schedule:	Notice-to-proceed: Fall 2024 Construction: Fall 2025
Contract Duration:	300 consecutive calendar days
Contract Duration Contingency:	30 consecutive calendar days
Contractor Name:	Ronan Construction, Inc.
Compliance with Chapter 14B Local Business Enterprise Ordinance:	The Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) has determined Ronan Construction, Inc. has materially complied with the pre-award Chapter 14B requirement.
Environmental Determination (if applicable):	 Transit Effectiveness Project (TEP) Environmental Impact Report (EIR), Planning Case No. 2011.0558E, certified March 27, 2014 (Planning Commission Motion No. 19105); CEQA Checklist for TEP Improvements, Planning Department Case No. 2011.0558E, issued July 6, 2020.

Other Compliance:	N/A
Additional Information:	N/A
Attachments:	Attachment 1: Resolution Attachment 2: Bid Tabulations Attachment 3: Contract Monitoring Division Memorandum Attachment 4: CEQA Checklist for TEP Improvements, Planning Department Case No. 2011.0558E, issued July 6, 2020 Attachment 5: San Francisco Planning, General Plan Referral (Case No. 2011.0558GPR-04) Attachment 6: San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors (MTAB) Resolution No. 200901-074 Attachment 7: San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, Public Hearing Order #6261 07172020
	Attachment 8: San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, Transportation Advisory Staff Committee (TASC) Meeting Minutes, dated September 26, 2019

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

RESOLUTION NO.	

WHEREAS, The work performed under the 5 Fulton Transit Improvements (Sourcing ID No. 0000006630) consists of pedestrian safety and accessibility and transit service improvements, pavement resurfacing, traffic signal upgrades, bulb out construction, curb ramp and sidewalk enhancements, drainage work, overhead contact system and traction power work, traffic control improvements and other associated infrastructure work at four intersections on Fulton Street at Arguello Boulevard, 6th Avenue, 8th Avenue, and 10th Avenue (the "Fulton Transit Improvements Project") and the Fulton Transit Improvements Project is part of the MUNI Forward project, described herein; and

WHEREAS, On March 27, 2014, the San Francisco Planning Commission certified a Final Environmental Impact Report ("EIR") for the Transit Effectiveness Project ("TEP"), Planning Department Case No. 2011.0558E (the "TEP EIR") in Motion No. 19105 ("Planning Commission motion"); and this program and project EIR analyzed the impacts of all components of the TEP comprised of a service policy framework, service improvements and service variants, service-related capital improvements, and travel time reduction proposals ("TTRP") for the City and County of San Francisco's rapid network within the transit system; and

WHEREAS, On March 28, 2014 in Resolution No. 14-041, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved all of the TEP proposals including service-related capital improvements and TTRP) to improve transit performance along various Municipal Railway routes and the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted findings under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), the CEQA Guidelines, and Chapter 31 of the Administrative Code ("CEQA Findings") and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP"); and

WHEREAS, On July 6, 2020, the San Francisco Planning Department reviewed the TEP capital improvements (then renamed "Muni Forward") and issued the Abbreviated CEQA Checklist for Muni Forward, Planning Department Case No. 2011.0558E ("CEQA Determination") and determined that the MUNI Forward project is within the scope of the TEP EIR and found no substantial changes had occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project would be undertaken, no new significant effects had been identified, no substantial increase in significant effects already identified, and no new mitigation were required for the project; and,

WHEREAS, The public had been notified about the proposed modifications and has been given the opportunity to comment on those modifications through the public hearing process; and

WHEREAS, On September 1, 2020, the SFMTA Board of Directors approved Resolution 200901-074 approving the Fulton Transit Improvements Project, and adopted the CEQA Findings as its own, and adopted Mitigation Measure M-CP-2a: Accidental Discovery of Archeological Resources and Improvement Measure and Improvement Measure I-TR-1: Construction Measures as conditions of approval; and

WHEREAS, On February 15, 2023, the Planning Department approved the General Plan Referral (Case No. 2011.0558GPR-04) and determined the project is consistent with the Eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1 and is, on balance, in conformity with the General Plan.

WHEREAS, The Contract Monitoring Division ("CMD") established a Local Business Enterprise ("LBE") subcontracting requirement of 25% for this contract and the contractor committed to LBE participation of 25.21% in its bid submittal; and

WHEREAS, On March 21, 2024, Public Works advertised for bids for the PW 5 Fulton Transit Improvements contract; and

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2024, Public Works received four bids; and

WHEREAS, Public Works staff and CMD staff reviewed the bids and application of bid preferences and determined that Ronan Construction, Inc. is the responsive and responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, The contract amount is \$3,119,884.00; and

WHEREAS, The contract duration is 300 consecutive calendar days; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Commission has reviewed the TEP EIR, the Planning Commission Motion, the CEQA Findings, the MMRP, and the CEQA Determination, and the preceding documents are on file with the Public Works Commission Affairs Manager, and are incorporated herein by reference; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in compliance with Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, this Commission adopts as its own the CEQA Findings, the Planning Department's determination in the CEQA Determination and that there is no substantial evidence that the Fulton Transit Improvements Project could have a significant effect on the environment and that no new mitigation is reuqired for the project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby awards the 5 Fulton Transit Improvements (Sourcing ID No. 0000006630) Contract to Ronan Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$3,119,884.00 with \$311,988.40 for contingency, and with a contract duration of 300

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consecutive calendar days with 30 consecutive calendar days of contingency to complete the Fulton Transit Improvements project.