



NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: June 2, 2017

RE: **Resolution No. 2017-020: Agency Procurement - NOACA Regional Transit Asset Management Plan**

ACTION REQUESTED

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the procurement of a consultant to develop a Regional Transit Asset Management Plan. Specifically, it would award a contract to AECOM Technical Services Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$168,972 for this project.

The Finance and Audit Committee supports this recommendation.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION

In 2012, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) mandated—and in 2015 the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST) reauthorized—FTA to develop a rule to establish a strategic and systematic process of operating, maintaining and improving public transportation capital assets effectively through their entire life cycle.

Later in July 2016, FTA published a Final Rule for Transit Asset Management. The rule requires FTA grantees to develop asset management plans for their public transportation assets, including vehicles, facilities, equipment, and other infrastructure. NOACA is seeking to comply with the federal rule for MPO's, Tier I and Tier II service providers.

This project involves providing consultant support in the development of a group Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan pursuant to the FTA Final Rule on Transit Asset Management Plans for the Tier I and Tier II transit agencies within the NOACA planning area. In the NOACA service area the Tier I and II transit agencies are:

Tier I

- Greater Cleveland Transit Authority (GCRTA)

Tier II

- Laketran (Lake County)
- Geauga County Transit (GCT)
- Lorain County Transit (LCT)
- Medina County Public Transit (MCPT)

The transit asset management plan (TAM) will incorporate the processes, activities, and tools necessary to give transit agencies the ability to manage the efficient use of its transit assets, while providing funding and oversight agencies with data to better inform their decision making. Transit assets include vehicles, guideway elements, stations, facilities and systems. The plan shall include an inventory of current transit assets, condition

assessment and performance monitoring requirements, and a lifecycle management plan/tool that documents costs, performance, and expectations associated with transit assets over their lifespan.

On February 17th, 2017 NOACA issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Regional Transit Asset Management Plan.

The proposals were due on April 7th, 2017. NOACA received three proposals. Vendors were scored on four criteria: project approach, experience, qualifications and cost. After evaluating the proposals, the NOACA review team selected the vendor with the highest scores which was AECOM Technical Services Inc.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The proposed contract will be executed at a cost not to exceed \$168,972. This project is funded by federal 5310 program dollars.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

If approved, NOACA will enter into contract with AECOM Technical Services Inc. for a term July 1st, 2017-December 31st, 2018.

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**RESOLUTION 2017-020
(AGENCY PROCUREMENT-NOACA
REGIONAL TRANSIT
ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN)**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina, and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, In 2012, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) mandated—and in 2015 the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST) reauthorized—FTA to develop a rule to establish a strategic and systematic process of operating, maintaining and improving public transportation capital assets effectively through their entire life cycle; and

WHEREAS, In July 2016, FTA published a Final Rule for Transit Asset Management. The rule requires FTA grantees to develop asset management plans for their public transportation assets, including vehicles, facilities, equipment, and other infrastructure. NOACA is seeking to comply with the federal rule for MPO’s, Tier I and Tier II service providers; and

WHEREAS, NOACA's procurement policy requires that these consulting services be obtained through a competitive process following all applicable federal, state, and local policies and regulations, which was accomplished through a Request for Proposals issued on February 17th, 2017, with proposals received on April 7th, 2017, of which the AECOM Technical Services Inc. was the best proposal, with a cost not to exceed \$168,972 over fiscal years 2018-2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of forty-five principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

Section 1: The Executive Director is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for services with the AECOM Technical Services Inc, in an amount not to exceed \$168,972 for FY2018 and FY2019.

Section 2: The Executive Director is authorized to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 9th day of June 2017.

Secretary: _____

Timothy C. Lennon

Date Signed: _____

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