

To: MP&L Committee

Date: May 30, 2012

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Reviewed by:

SUBJECT: Transit Access Improvement Study - Consultant Selection

Background:

In FY 2011 CCCTA was awarded a competitive planning grant in the amount of \$113,000 from Caltrans to conduct a transit access improvement study. The Study will identify the top 50 bus stops for access improvements based on ridership, census data, and need for improved pedestrian, bike, and disabled access. It will include public and driver workshops and finally present preliminary design and amenity improvements for the each of the stops. Plans for the top 50 bus stops will be used to support future capital grants for stop improvements. The study will also help focus discussions with local jurisdictions as new development occurs and complete street projects are implemented.

Summary of Issues:

In April an RFP was issued and eight proposals were received from qualified consultants. Using the scoring criteria and weighting identified in the RFP, staff evaluated the proposals and recommends that *TJKM Transportation Consultants* be awarded the contract. The consultant has experience and good references in Contra Costa County doing similar work (Pleasant Hill Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan) and technical expertise evaluating pedestrian access to bus stops and neighborhood connectivity. Their work plan for the project demonstrated an excellent understanding of the project.

Recommendation:

Staff asks that the MP&L Committee recommend to the Board entering into a contract with TJKM Transportation Consultants to complete CCCTA's Access Improvement Plan.

Options:

- 1) Approve recommendation
- 2) Decline recommendation
- 3) Other