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LYNX Silver Line Design and Environmental Services

Action:

- A. Approve a contract with WSP USA Inc. for professional design and environmental services related to the LYNX Silver Line Light Rail project for up to \$50,000,000, and**
- B. Authorize the City Manager to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.**

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- On February 27, 2019, the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) adopted a locally preferred alternative (LPA) for the LYNX Silver Line in the southeast and west corridors. The LPA consists of light rail transit from the Town of Matthews to Uptown Charlotte, out to the Charlotte Douglas International Airport, and the Town of Belmont in Gaston County. The project extends through Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6.
- The MTC also requested that CATS determine the feasibility of extending the LPA to the Town of Stallings in Union County.
- The first phase of work includes refining the LPA, preparing design plans, and beginning the environmental process. Council approval for future phases will be required.
- On June 19, 2019, the city issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ); three responses were received.
- WSP USA Inc. is the best qualified firm to meet the city's needs on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification of professional services in response to the RFQ requirements.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

Established DBE Goal: 11.7%

Committed DBE Goal: 11.7%

WSP USA Inc. has agreed to meet the established subcontracting goal using the following certified firms.

- Neighboring Concepts (DBE) (Facilities and Station Design)
- Three Oaks (DBE) (Environmental Analysis, Traffic Analysis)
- ASG Planning (DBE) (Transportation Analysis, Transit Interface)
- HMMH (DBE) (Air Quality, Noise and Variation)
- New South Associates (DBE) (Historic and Archaeological resources)

Fiscal Note

Funding: CATS Capital Investment Program