

Legislation Text

File #: 15-13165, Version: 1

2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Action:

- A. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and approve a contract up to \$1,143,219 with RS&H Architects - Engineers - Planners, Inc. for the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, 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

- The City of Charlotte is the lead planning agency for the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Charlotte urbanized area.
- The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a federally required, long-range plan that must be updated every four years, and the CRTPO adopted its 2045 MTP in March 2018.
- On behalf of the CRTPO, The City of Charlotte selects a consultant to provide planning, project evaluation, and public involvement services for the development of the 2050 MTP and to ensure all federal guidelines are met.
- On August 9, 2019, the city issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ); two responses were received.
- RS&H Architects - Engineers - Planners, 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.
- RS&H will be supported by two sub-consultants as noted in this scope of services:
 - Kittelson & Associates, Inc., and
 - City Explained, Inc.

Background

- The MTP will be prepared in accordance with federal law. RS&H will review the components/contents of the MTP for compliance with all required elements outlined in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, in particular:
 - Updates to the incorporation of performance-based planning,
 - Evaluation of the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system, and
 - Discuss the findings with the CRTPO, the Steering Committee, North Carolina Department of Transportation, and Federal Highway Administration in order to determine which aspects of the FAST Act to include and what level of detail is required in the MTP.

Small Professional Services Firm (SPSF) Opportunity

For Federal Transportation Administration funded projects, NCDOT does not mandate a goal from the State's SPSF program; however, RS&H Architects - Engineers - Planners, Inc. has committed 8.5% or approximately \$97,401 to the following certified firm:

- City Explained, Inc. (SBE) (project coordination)

Fiscal Note

Funding: General Grants Fund