



# AGENDA

## FINANCE COMMITTEE Meeting Notice

**Date:** 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2015

**Location:** Room 263, City Hall

**Commissioners:** Commissioners Avalos (Chair), Mar (Vice Chair), Campos, Cohen, Kim and Wiener (Ex Officio)

**Clerk: Steve Stamos**

### 1. Roll Call

#### Consent Calendar

2. Approve the Minutes of the March 10, 2015 Meeting – ACTION\*
3. **Recommend Awarding a Three-Year Legal Services Contract, with an Option to Extend for Two Additional One-Year Periods, to Nossaman LLP and Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean LLP, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$750,000 for General Legal Counsel Services, and Authorizing the Executive Director to Negotiate the Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION\***

The Transportation Authority maintains a contract with the City and County of San Francisco Office of the City Attorney for routine contract legal matters, and retains Nixon Peabody LLP and Squire Sanders & Dempsey LLP as bond counsel. We also contract with Nossaman LLP (Nossaman) for specialized transportation legal counsel services. That contract is in its fifth year and expires this month. The Transportation Authority's policy is to competitively re-bid professional services contracts after five years. Thus, on December 12, 2014, we issued a Request for Proposals (RFP 14/15-03) for legal counsel services. By the due date of January 12, we received seven responsive bids, which included both a technical and cost component. On January 16, we issued an invitation to interview four firms. Interviews were conducted on January 21 by a selection panel comprised of Transportation Authority staff. Based on this competitive selection process, the selection panel recommended award of a legal counsel services contract to the two highest-ranked firms, Nossaman and Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean LLP (Wendel Rosen). Giving the wide range of desired proficiencies and experience, there is a need for broad and deep access to legal services in the contract. Therefore, we propose to contract with two firms which the Transportation Authority may call upon. This also is intended to mitigate any conflicts of interest, increase competition and allow for improved responsiveness (e.g. during times of peak demand). **We are seeking a recommendation to award a three-year legal services contract, with an option to extend for two additional one-year periods, to Nossaman and Wendel Rosen, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for general legal counsel services, and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate the contract payment terms and non-material contract terms and conditions.**

#### End of Consent Calendar

**4. State and Federal Legislative Update – ACTION\***

Every month, we provide an update on state and federal legislation and, when appropriate, seek recommendations to adopt new positions on active legislation. The attached matrix tracks the latest activity on state bills and the positions previously adopted by the Transportation Authority. We will also provide highlights of the President's GROW AMERICA Act, a six-year, \$478 billion transportation reauthorization bill that would increase federal surface transportation funding and provide certainty to state and local governments with a long-term federal funding commitment. **We are seeking a recommendation to adopt the following new position this month: support on Senate Constitutional Amendment 5 (Hancock).**

**5. Recommend Awarding an 18-Month Contract to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. in an Amount Not to Exceed \$450,000 for Planning, Engineering, and Environmental Services for the I-280 Interchange Modifications at Balboa Park, and Authorizing the Executive Director to Negotiate Contract Payment Terms and Non-Material Contract Terms and Conditions – ACTION\***

The Transportation Authority is seeking planning, engineering, and environmental services as needed to secure project approval from the California Department of Transportation and environmental clearance for the realignment of the southbound I-280 off-ramp to Ocean Avenue, and to prepare a Ramp Closure Analysis for the northbound I-280 on-ramp from Geneva Avenue, as part of the I-280 interchange modifications at Balboa Park Project. This work stems from recommended in the Balboa Park Station Area Circulation Study Final Report, which the Transportation Authority adopted last June. On February 6, 2015, the Transportation Authority issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for planning, engineering, and environmental services for the project. By the March 9, 2015 deadline, we received two proposals. A review panel comprised of Transportation Authority staff reviewed the proposals and interviewed both firms on March 18, 2015. Based on the competitive selection process defined in the evaluation criteria of the RFP, the review panel recommends the award of a consultant contract to the top-ranked firm of AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM). **We are seeking a recommendation to award an 18-month contract to AECOM in an amount not to exceed \$450,000 for planning, engineering, and environmental services for the I-280 interchange modifications at Balboa Park, and authorize the Executive Director to negotiate the contract payment terms and non-material contract terms and conditions.**

**6. Introduction of New Items – INFORMATION**

**7. Public Comment**

**8. Adjournment**

\* Additional materials

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