

RESOLUTION #HSRA 22-15**Approval to Award Contract for Design Services for the Merced to Madera Project**

Whereas, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for planning, constructing, and operating an intercity high-speed passenger train network that is fully integrated with the state's existing intercity transportation services (Public Utilities Code §§ 185030 and 185031);

Whereas, the Authority may enter into contracts with private and public entities for the design, construction and operation of high-speed rail trains including all tasks and segments thereof pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 185036;

Whereas, the Authority may enter into architectural and engineering (A&E) contracts pursuant to Article XXII of the California Constitution, Government Code § 4525 et seq., the Authority's A&E Regulations, 21 CCR § 10000 et seq. and Board adopted policy, Contract Award Procedures for Request for Qualifications (RFQs);

Whereas, design services for the Merced to Madera project are essential to the completion and delivery of the project and the high-speed rail system;

Whereas, on February 17, 2022, the Board authorized Authority staff to issue an RFQ for design services for the Merced to Madera project for a contract value up to \$41 million for NTP-1 work on or after March 18, 2022; and

Whereas, As a result of the competitive A&E RFQ procurement process, Authority staff determined that the top-ranked offeror with the highest final score was Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

Therefore, it is resolved:

The Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for Design Services for the Merced to Madera project for a contract value up to \$41 million for NTP-1 work.

The Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is also directed to report the expenditures under the contract on a monthly basis to the Board's Finance and Audit Committee.

Authority staff will seek additional Board approval(s) prior to exercising the optional NTP-2 and NTP-3 work.

Vote: 9-0

Yes: Schenk; Richards; Miller; Camacho; Williams; Ghielmetti; Pena; Escutia; Perea

No: N/A

Absent: N/A

Date: 8/17/2022

