



CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 24-03**

Approval to Issue Notice to Proceed-2 (NTP-2) for the Fresno to Bakersfield Locally Generated Alternative Project Section

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, on February 17, 2022, the Authority Board of Directors (Board) authorized Authority staff to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for design services for the Fresno to Bakersfield Locally Generated Alternative project section for a contract value up to \$44,895,172.00 for Notice to Proceed (NTP) -1 work on or after March 18, 2022 (Board Resolution #HSRA 22-06). The RFQ qualified the offeror for design services, which included all of the NTP-1, and NTP-2 work;

Whereas, on August 17, 2022, the Board authorized the execution of Agreement No. HSR 22-01 for design services for the Fresno to Bakersfield Locally Generated Alternative project section with HNTB Corporation. Board Resolution #HSRA 22-16 also authorized a contract value up to \$44,895,172.00 for the NTP-1 work and required additional Board approval(s) prior to exercising the optional NTP-2 work;

Whereas, staff recommends that the Authority exercise the optional NTP-2 work, which will authorize HNTB to proceed with the final design to 100% and provide construction ready documents.

Therefore, it is resolved:

Authority staff are hereby authorized to issue NTP-2 under Agreement No. HSR 22-01 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$72.0 million and extend the contract term through April 30, 2026. Staff are authorized to issue the full NTP-2, or issue limited NTPs in order to progress the work in each design segment. The total approved contract value, which includes the NTP-1, and NTP-2 work, is in the not-to-exceed amount of \$116,895,172.00.

Vote: 8-0

Yes: Schenk; Richards; Miller; Escutia; Camacho; Perea; Williams; Cohen

No: N/A

Absent: Ghielmetti

Date: February 29, 2024

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