

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) contracts with National Data & Surveying Services and Wiltec for as-needed traffic survey services.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, to negotiate and execute contracts with National Data & Surveying Services and Wiltec for as-needed traffic survey services for terms of three years with options for two one-year extensions, and for a total amount of \$634,500, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that the Congestion Management Program (CMP) portion of the work will be funded with Proposition C, the Active Transportation Programs (ATP) counts will be funded by Measure R set aside funds, and the Core Program counts will generally be funded by the General Fund. Of the estimated \$634,500 cost of the three-year contract, it is estimated that about \$75,000 will be from the General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated May 22, 2014 (attached to the Council file), LADOT requests authority to negotiate and execute contracts with National Data & Surveying Services and Wiltec for as-needed traffic survey services. LADOT conducts traffic survey counts in three major categories: core responsibilities, CMP, and ATP. For over twenty years, LADOT has needed to use contractors, on an as-needed basis, to supplement in-house traffic survey resources. The Department's report goes on to discuss the Request for Proposals (RFP) and evaluation processes, the justification for using a contractor for this work, and the purpose of the Department's core, CMP, and ATP programs.

According to LADOT, the scope of work in the contracts will cover traffic surveys for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians, using automatic, manual, and video count methodologies as directed by the Department. The types of counts will include, but are not limited to, the following categories: daily automatic, speed and volume, manual counts, gap counts, spot speed surveys, bicycle volume and turning movement, pedestrian volume and turning movement, travel time, travel mode tallies, and demographic data regarding bicyclist gender, helmet use, etc. The Department goes on to state that having contracts with two companies instead of one provides the City with flexibility to ensure the timeliness and quality of the work product, and to use a company with the preferred specialization. It should also be noted that having contracts with two companies does not require the City to use both companies for a particular traffic count, but does give the City that option.

At its meeting held May 28, 2014, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with LADOT staff. The Department representative stated that National Data & Surveying Services and Wiltec were chosen after a rigorous RFP process. The cost for these contracts is lower than what the City paid for the previous contract. In addition, the new contracts have an updated scope of work and provisions for allowing adjustments of traffic counting metrics. The Committee recommended that Council authorize LADOT to execute the proposed contracts.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	ABSENT
LABONGE:	YES
PARKS:	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES

JAW

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