

Train Control Upgrade Project

SFMTA Board of Directors August 6, 2024



What we are asking the SFMTA Board of Directors to approve today:

As-needed consultant services contract:

- Five-year term
- Five options to extend term an additional year, for a total of ten years
- Not to exceed \$30,000,000, intended to cover the first five years
- Staff will return to the Board after the first five-year term to request a higher not-to-exceed limit if necessary.

Train control technical experts will assist in the **design and engineering** of the new technology, quality assurance, staff training and construction management.

Consultant will help **mitigate project risks and add capacity and expertise** to SFMTA's staff.

TCUP Delivery Strategy

Supplier

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System Design, Procurement, Support

Technology system procurement best fit for selection criteria, long-term performance-based support

SBE/DBE goal: 5%

In selection process

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Contracts

System Installation

Separating installation contracts enables more refined construction scope and allows us to maximize SBE/DBE

SBE/DBE goal: 100% (preliminary)

Future RFQ followed by individual bids

Consultant

Delivery Support

Technical consulting contract to support project management and leverage outside train control expertise to ensure we deliver the best system possible.

SBE/DBE goal: 15%

This contract

Why upgrade Muni Metro's train control?

Critical need: Replace the outdated Automatic Train Control System to prevent critical failure and keep Muni Metro running.

Unique opportunity: Modernize the technology that make Muni Metro work, improve service and enable future Metro growth. Centerpiece of subway renewal plan.



TCUP Benefits to Muni Metro Riders

Fewer delays

Customers no longer "stuck" due to subway congestion or slow-moving trains

Faster trips and less time waiting

More reliable service

More efficient connections

Better service management Better traffic signal management for less waiting at red lights

More consistent frequencies and travel times making trip-planning more reliable

Metro reliability will improve existing connections to crosstown routes and between neighborhoods

More flexibility for train controllers to manage bunching and gaps

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We are buying the benefits modern technology for more efficient Muni Metro

Without replacement, the Muni rail safety, reliability and frequency will degrade. This project is a critical technology upgrade that makes Metro run.

\$700M = Muni Metro continues to operate, rides are more efficient citywide

- \$36M Consultant to help SFMTA manage the project
- \$240M Supply contract for modern technology
- \$30M Installer contract to put in the technology
- Other costs includes SFMTA labor, the work to make the new technology fit into our existing infrastructure, risk, contingency

Dollar amounts are escalated to year of expenditure

Alignment with City Priorities

• Economic recovery

 Advancing equity

• Increasing job access



TCUP will **lower travel time**, providing more access to jobs especially for people who live farther away.

 Climate goals



TCUP will move more people reliably and sustainably, reducing the need for greenhouse gas vehicles as the population grows.

TCUP will make Muni Metro faster and more efficient for thousands of workers and shoppers along transit citywide.

Fast, frequent, efficient transit attracts investment and economic opportunities.

TCUP will improve service and mobility between outer neighborhoods, education centers, citywide jobs and downtown.

Better, faster transit service benefits students, workers and low-income households.

Applying Lessons Learned: Performance-Based Approach

Procurement	Separate contracts for supplier, installers provides more choice					
Supplier Partnership and Performance Incentives	Long-term performance, support terms part of competitive bid process					
Quality, Timely, Flexible, Construction Delivery	Pool of qualified installers offers greater flexibility during construction					
Using Lessons Learned	Planning and project strategy based on train control experience and future needs					
Proactive Risk Management	Continually anticipate and assess risk, build into decisions, manage proactively					

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Consultant Contract

As-needed technical services supporting SFMTA for five years, with five one-year options to extend, not to exceed \$30,000,000.

Consultants support our key project delivery strategies



Help mitigate project risks



Support and train SFMTA technical staff to grow in-house skills



Help hold Supplier & Installer accountable

WSP/PGH Wong Joint Venture

- Local ties and international experience
- Know the Bay Area contracting environment
- Experience with SFMTA peer agencies
- Strong relationships with all likely suppliers, installers and other vendors
- Small businesses and minority-owned businesses are key part of the team





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Strong CBTC Vendor Relationships

Extensive experience with Alstom, Hitachi Rail, Siemens and Thales. Team members include past CBTC vendor employees.

Roadmap to Notice to Proceed



Train Control Upgrade Project Schedule

PHASE	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034
CBTC Complete System Design		•									
Initial Technology Demonstration	NTP Ea	arly 2025									
Subway Technology Upgrade											
On-Street Installation											
Support/Lifecycle Investment											•

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Funding Approach

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) FY25-29 Funding Plan: **\$400M** Full Funding Plan: **\$700M**

Funding Highlights:

- Current project funding plan still relies heavily on infrastructure formula funds that are also needed for other deferred capital projects
- To date, TCUP has been successful in competitive grants and discretionary funding sources and will continue to pursue new grant opportunities.
- 10-year funding plan shows commitment to the project necessary to execute supplier and consultant contracts and compete for new funding.
- Staff anticipate the strength of this project will continue to attract competitive discretionary funding sources and local opportunities.

Staff recommendation

Staff recommends that the SFMTA Board authorize the Director of Transportation to execute Contract No. SFMTA-2024-20-FTA with WSP/PGH Wong Joint Venture for consulting services supporting the Train Control Upgrade Project for an initial five-year term, with five options to extend the term for an additional year, for a total of ten years in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000.

Questions?





Appendix Slides



Current system limitations

The Automatic Train Control System (ATCS) is almost 30 years old with 1980s technology and 1990s components.

2019 Muni Reliability Working Group recommended **replacing the ATCS as the top priority.**

Aging train control infrastructure

Outdated train control technology

Computer failures

Communication failures

Lack of parts and expertise

No on-street train control

Muni Metro structural design

5 lines operate mostly in 1 tunnel. A high-performing system is required.

Muni Metro is the 3rd busiest light rail in the U.S. and the last to use only 1 main tunnel for majority of service.



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Characteristics of a modern CBTC system













- Ensures reliable train frequency and service
- Allows greater flexibility of service plans and service during disruptions

Project Phasing





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Risk Management in Contract Strategy

TCUP centers proactive risk management early and often to minimize challenges. Decision \rightarrow Analysis \rightarrow Risk \rightarrow Analysis \rightarrow Decision

Partnering with knowledgeable CBTC consultants is a vital part of the TCUP risk management strategy.



Success Strategy: Lessons Learned

The SFMTA has drawn from multiple sources of lessons learned to set the Train Control Upgrade Project up for success.



Peer agencies in North America and Europe



Major SFMTA capital projects like Central Subway and Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit

Past SFMTA technology projects



Current Automatic Train Control System (ATCS)

Harnessing Peer Expertise

U.S.A

MBTA Green Line BART New York City Subway



CANADA

Vancouver SkyTrain Edmonton Toronto (Eglinton LRT)



EUROPE

London (LU and DLR) Amsterdam Frankfurt VGM



Allocated Funds To Date

Funding Source	Funds			
FY18 Operating Savings	\$2,095,000			
2021 Revenue Bond	\$18,137,549			
Prop B (General Fund)	\$340,000			
TSF Developer Fee	\$10,000			
AB 664 (Bridge Tolls)	\$1,312,500			
Total	\$21,895,049			



Future Sources

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FTA (Transit Capital Priorities)