

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 15-108

WHEREAS, The goals of the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit Project are robust and stable ridership, efficient, effective and equitable transit service, neighborhood livability and community vitality, and links to a citywide rapid transit network; and,

WHEREAS, On May 15, 2012, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 12-070, which identified and endorsed the Locally Approved Alternative (LPA) for the Van Ness Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Project, “The Center-running BRT with Right Side Boarding Platforms Single Median and Limited Left Turns,” for further analysis in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR); and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) Board certified the EIS/EIR, including an amendment to include the Vallejo Northbound Station Variant as adequate, accurate and objective and reflecting the independent judgment of the SFCTA on September 10, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, On September 17, 2013, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 13-214, approving the Van Ness Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Project, analyzed as the Locally Preferred Alternative in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the Project, including an amendment to include the Vallejo Northbound Station Variant in the approval of the LPA, and adopted the CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for the EIS/EIR; and,

WHEREAS, the Project files, including the Final EIS/EIR and SFMTA Resolution No. 13- 214, have been made available for review by the SFMTA and the public, and those files are part of the record before this Board; and,

WHEREAS, Since the adoption of CEQA Findings and the approval of the Van Ness BRT Project, the SFCTA has prepared a memo to file dated July 15, 2014, titled “Van Ness Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Project – Environmental Compliance for the Proposed Parking Removal from Conceptual Engineering Report” (Memo to File), which concludes that the removal of eleven parking spaces more than assumed in the Van Ness BRT Project Final EIS/EIR, as proposed by SFMTA in its Conceptual Engineering Report, will not result in a new significant environmental impact due to parking loss; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIS/EIR; and

WHEREAS, Based on its review and consideration of the information contained in the Final EIS/EIR, the SFMTA Board finds that the proposed actions are within the scope of the Van Ness BRT Project Final EIS/EIR and that no additional environmental review is required under Public Resources Code section 21166; and

WHEREAS, On October 7, 2014, the SFMTA Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 14- 147, which authorized the SFMTA to use a Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) project delivery method for the Van Ness BRT Project; and

WHEREAS, On December 9, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved Ordinance No. 255- 14, enabling the SFMTA to proceed with a CM/GC implementation for the Van Ness BRT Project, to include the CM/GC and a team of Core Subcontractors in the following trades: paving, overhead contact system, sewer and water main replacement, and traffic control; and

WHEREAS, The Agency advertised an RFP for the CM/GC contract on January 16, 2015, and received two proposals in response to the RFP on March 19, 2015, from Walsh Construction and Van Ness Corridor Constructors, a joint venture between Stacy Witbeck and Shimmick Construction; and

WHEREAS, After a technical evaluation and oral interview, Walsh Construction emerged as the highest-ranked proposer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Board has reviewed and considered the EIS/EIR and record as a whole; finds that the Van Ness BRT Final Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement is adequate for its use as the decision-making body for the approval of the Construction Manager/General Contractor contract for the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit Project, and incorporates the CEQA findings contained in Resolution No. 13-214, including the Statement of Overriding Considerations, by this reference as though set forth in this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to execute San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Contract No. 1289, Van Ness Corridor Transit Improvement Project, with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, for Phase 1 (pre-construction services), for a target duration of 300 calendar days, and in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of July 7, 2015.

Secretary, Board of Directors
Municipal Transportation Agency