



**SUBJECT:** Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Austin for the provision of certain dedicated technical support functions related to design, review and permitting for the implementation of the Project Connect System through September 30, 2023, with one one-year extension option, in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding for this item was approved in the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget and is available in the approved FY2023 Budget.

**BUSINESS CASE:** Austin Transit Partnership (“ATP”) will benefit from the City of Austin providing technical support functions for the implementation, operation, and maintenance of the Project Connect System, including with respect to utilities, permitting and other support necessary to further the federal environmental review process for the Project Connect System until the end of the current fiscal year. The City of Austin is undertaking these services in order to ensure the Project Connect Program remains aligned with the voter-approved Program Sequence Plan.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** The Joint Powers Agreement executed by ATP, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“Capital Metro”) and the City of Austin in December 2021 anticipated that ATP would enter, provided funding was available, another interlocal agreement with the City of Austin to fund the City’s Project Connect Office and certain services in support of Project Connect to be performed by the City of Austin.

The prior agreement expired on September 30, 2021, but the City continued to provide technical services to ATP, for which they were paid \$2,100,000 out of a budgeted \$2,500,000 in Fiscal Year 2022. This new agreement backdates to October 1, 2021 and anticipates an expenditure of \$3,500,000 in services to be provided by the City to ATP in Fiscal Year 2023, with a renewal option in the amount of \$3,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2024.

This new agreement provides: a single point of contact for City departments, infrastructure and traffic operations coordination, environmental coordination, permitting assistance, and other support.

**RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:** Legal

**PROCUREMENT SUMMARY:** Does not apply.

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

STATE OF TEXAS

**Resolution ID: ATP-2022-016**

COUNTY OF TRAVIS

***Second Interlocal Agreement for City of Austin Project  
Connect Technical Support***

**WHEREAS**, the Austin Transit Partnership (“ATP”) entered into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Austin (“City”) for Project Connect Support Services in February 2021 (the “Initial Agreement”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Initial Agreement expired on September 30, 2021, but ATP continued to receive and pay for the City’s technical services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors (the “Board”) recognizes the importance of receiving continued technical assistance from the City of Austin, primarily through the City Project Connect Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board acknowledges that the City of Austin is in the best position to provide such support functions related to design review and permitting for the Project Connect program in connection with the Federal environmental review process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Joint Powers Agreement entered between ATP, the City of Austin, and Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority anticipated, provided funding was available, another interlocal agreement with the City of Austin to fund the City’s Project Connect Office and certain services in support of Project Connect to be performed by the City of Austin; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to move forward at this time to identify certain roles and responsibilities for the City of Austin and ATP in order to meet the schedule laid out in the Project Connect program in this Second Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and ATP for Support Services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors that the Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to finalize and execute a Second Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Transit Partnership for Support Services for the provision of certain City support staff functions through September 30, 2023, with a one one-year extension option, in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000, substantially in accordance with the draft attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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Secretary of the Board

Date: 11/17/2022