

Austin Transit Partnership Board of Directors Resolution Meeting Date: 5/21/2025

ATP-2025-010

Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with Ernst & Young for additional funding for commercial, risk, and project delivery advisory services.

<u>Subject:</u> Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, or designee, to exercise up to four one-year renewal options to the existing agreement with Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC ("E&Y") for commercial, risk, and project delivery advisory services, increasing the approved funding by an amount not to exceed \$19,500,000.00 for a term ending no later than December 31, 2029.

<u>Fiscal Impact:</u> Costs expected to be incurred in Fiscal Year 2025 are included in the Fiscal Year 2025 ATP budget.

<u>Executive Summary:</u> On January 19, 2022, the ATP Board approved Resolution ATP-2022-003 authorizing the Executive Director, or designee, to execute an agreement with E&Y for commercial, risk and project delivery services ("Agreement") in an amount not to exceed \$17 million for the initial term of the agreement which expires December 31, 2025. The agreement included an option for four one-year renewal terms following the initial term with Board approval. This resolution authorizes the Executive Director to exercise each of the one-year renewal terms in the Agreement and will increase funding by up to \$19,500,000.00 for additional work through December 31, 2029.

<u>Procurement Summary:</u> E&Y was selected through a competitive request for proposals process. Three firms responded and were evaluated based on personnel qualifications, proposed work plan, and subcontracting approach. E&Y received the highest evaluation score and was recommended for the contract award and approved by the ATP Board of Directors in January 2022.

<u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Summary:</u> The DBE goal set for the overall contract is 12%.



RESOLUTION OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS

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Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract for additional funding with Ernst & Young for commercial, risk, and project delivery advisory services.

WHEREAS, to most effectively advance Austin Light Rail, Austin Transit Partnership ("ATP") must retain professional support services related to procurement, risk mitigation, financial services, Federal Transit Administration ("FTA") support, and project delivery; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution ATP-2022-003 the ATP Board of Directors approved an agreement ("Agreement") with Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC ("E&Y") to provide commercial risk and project delivery services to ATP at a cost not to exceed \$17,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, under the Agreement, E&Y provides the following services in support of Austin Light Rail: (i) project delivery methods advisory services; (ii) procurement advisory services; (iii) financial consulting services; (iv) FTA support services; and (v) other related services; and

WHEREAS, the initial term of the Agreement expires December 31, 2025, and the Agreement provides ATP with the option to extend the Agreement for up to four renewal terms of one year each at the end of the initial term, for a maximum term of the Agreement expiring on December 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, ATP staff has indicated its intent to exercise up to four one-year options to extend the Agreement beyond the expiration of the initial term in order to complete additional work falling within the scope of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, additional funding will be required for the costs of work performed by E&Y under the Agreement during the remainder of the initial term and any renewal terms exercised by ATP;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of ATP that the Executive Director, or designee, is hereby authorized to exercise ATP's option to renew the Agreement for up to four one-year renewal terms as provided in the Agreement, which would extend the term of the Agreement through no later than December 31, 2029.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The maximum not-to-exceed cost of the Agreement is increased from \$17,000,000.00 to \$36,500,000.00.

Signed by:

Lee Crawford

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Lee Crawford Secretary of the Board 5/22/2025 | 9:37 AM CDT

Date