

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

ATP-2025-011

Approval of a resolution authorizing a contract award to Crowe, LLP for Audit Services.

<u>Subject:</u> Approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, or designee, to negotiate and execute a contract with Crowe, LLP for Auditing Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,097,000 for a three-year base term and two one-year optional terms.

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

<u>Executive Summary:</u> As a matter of transparency, financial sustainability, and as required by the Joint Powers Agreement, Austin Transit Partnership's ("ATP") annual financial reports have been professionally audited since inception. The following services are included in the proposed contract: annual audit of ATP's financial report; single audit of federal financial assistance programs; as well as ad hoc tax and other related consultant services.

<u>Procurement Summary:</u> On November 26, 2024, ATP issued a request for qualifications to select a qualified certified public accounting firm to conduct financial and compliance audits of ATP operations and provide ad hoc tax and consulting services. On January 7, 2025, ATP received six responsive proposals. A selection evaluation committee of technical experts independently reviewed and evaluated the proposals based on the following criteria: experience, project understanding and approach, and fee. Crowe, LLP received the highest total score considering technical and cost factors. Crowe, LLP met all other requirements to be eligible for contract award, including positive reference checks, financial capacity, and insurance requirements.

<u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Summary:</u> Federal funding will not be used for this contract; accordingly, there is no applicable DBE requirement.



RESOLUTION OF THE AUSTIN TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS

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WHEREAS, as a matter of transparency, financial sustainability, and as required by the Joint Powers Agreement, it is important for the Austin Transit Partnership ("ATP") to acquire audit services related to the delivery of Austin Light Rail; and

WHEREAS, ATP issued a request for qualifications for Audit Services on November 26, 2024, as amended; and

WHEREAS, ATP received six statements of qualifications in response to the request for qualifications, and Crowe, LLP, received the highest score pursuant to the evaluation terms of the request for qualifications; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the award of the Audit Services Contract to Crowe, LLP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of ATP that the Executive Director, or designee, is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Crowe, LLP for Auditing Services, for auditing services in an amount not to exceed \$1,097,000 for a three-year base term and two one-year optional terms.

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5/22/2025 | 9:35 AM CDT

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Secretary of the Board