

Denver Regional Council of Governments  
State of Colorado

Finance and Budget Committee

Resolution No. 27, 2024

**A resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Nelson\Nygaard for the East Colfax Extension Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis study in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 and a term of 24 months from the date of contract execution.**

**Whereas**, this study is part of DRCOG's 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program corridor planning set-aside program which focuses on advancing infrastructure investment priorities along regional arterial corridors identified in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan; and

**Whereas**, the study corridor is a 5.5 mile stretch of state highway between Interstate 225 and the E-470 Tollway that is located within the City of Aurora and forms the county line between Adams and Arapahoe Counties; and

**Whereas**, DRCOG conducted a competitive bidding process and a selection committee of staff from DRCOG, the City of Aurora, Adams and Arapahoe Counties, Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), and Regional Transportation District determined that Nelson\Nygaard had the best proposal; and

**Whereas**, the selected consultant has demonstrated qualifications conducting corridor studies, specifically focused on federally compliant planning and project development processes for bus rapid transit projects; and

**Whereas**, DRCOG executed a contract with CDOT in June 2024 to accept \$1.5 million of funds from the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for the corridor planning set-aside program for federal fiscal years 2024-2025, of which \$1,000,000 is budgeted for the East Colfax Extension Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis Study.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Finance and Budget Committee authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Nelson\Nygaard for the East Colfax Extension Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis study in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 and a term of 24 months from the date of contract execution.

**Resolved, passed, and adopted** this 17th day of July, 2024 at Denver Colorado.

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Richard Kondo, Chair  
Finance and Budget Committee  
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director