

Finance and Budget Committee

Meeting date: September 3, 2025

Agenda Item #: 3

Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with HNTB in an amount not to exceed \$899,200 for a period not to exceed 24 months from date of contract execution.

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary

The Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) is seeking to contract with HNTB for consultant assistance and technical expertise in implementing the United States Department of Transportation Build America Bureau (USDOT BAB) grant-funded Innovative Finance and Asset Concession (IFAC) Expert Services Cooperative Agreement for DRCOG's *Advancing Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Implementation in the Denver Region through Innovative Partnerships* project, totaling an amount not to exceed \$899,200 and a term not to exceed 24 months from date of contract execution.

Background

In September 2024, DRCOG was awarded a \$996,715.50 grant by USDOT BAB under its IFAC grant program. Of this amount, the approved budget allocates \$899,200 to procure and contract consultant assistance to carry out the grant.

Six consultant teams submitted responses to the original Request for Proposal. A selection panel comprised of 11 staff from DRCOG, CDOT, RTD, and local member governments (Arapahoe County, City of Denver, City of Aurora, City of Littleton), reviewed each proposal.

The selection panel chose to interview four of the six consultant teams. Following the consultant interviews, all panel members conducted a second round of review and then the panel recommended a preferred consultant.

Consultant assistance for this project will dedicate subject matter expert advisors in the fields of funding and finance, legal/regulatory analysis, and project development to identify and deploy pre-construction activities to accelerate the implementation of five BRT projects included in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

Action by others

None

Previous discussion/action

None

Recommendation

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with HNTB in an amount not to exceed \$899,200 for a period not to exceed 24 months from date of contract execution.



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Attachment

Draft resolution

For more information

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