



Item #10-2-2
Action

Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee

January 27, 2010

Extension of Consulting Contract with Peter Hathaway

Issue: Whether to extend Pete Hathaway's consulting contract with SACOG.

Recommendation: That the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee recommend that the Board authorize an increase of the contract by \$10,000 for assistance through June 30, 2010.

Discussion: Part of our management transition strategy was to use Mr. Hathaway on a selective basis to mentor and train SACOG transportation planning staff and assist with advice on complex issues. Mr. Hathaway has unique knowledge and skills from his long career with Caltrans, the California Transportation Commission, and at SACOG. Over the past 13 months, we have used approximately \$40,000 of Mr. Hathaway's services. His approved budget is likely to be fully spent in early to mid-February. An additional \$10,000 of contracting authority will allow us to use Mr. Hathaway as needed to help us negotiate through several complex issues including using possible new federal stimulus funding, influencing and adapting the state budget issues impacting transportation funding, and providing input on the new Federal Transportation Bill among other issues. We will address the issue of possible assistance from Mr. Hathaway beyond June 30, 2010 as part of the coming year's budgeting process.

Approved by:

Mike McKeever
Executive Director

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