



Transportation Committee

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Connect Card Hardware Change Order for Expanded Bus Fleets

Issue: Should SACOG execute a contract change order with Innovations in Transportation (INIT) to purchase hardware and installation services for an expanded bus fleet?

Recommendation: That the Transportation Committee recommend that the Board grant the Chief Executive Officer authority to negotiate and execute a contract change order with INIT in the amount not to exceed \$72,000 to purchase hardware and installation services for an additional 13 buses.

Discussion: The Connect Card project is currently planning final hardware installations prior to system roll-out. Another limited expansion or modification to the system's bus fleet has come from the following Consortium members: Elk Grove Transit, Sacramento Regional Transit, and Yolo County Transportation District. The source of these changes is either evolving procurement decisions or technical complications. Hardware will be needed for equipping the additional buses, including smart media processors, on-board computers, operator control units, and data communications. Installation services are included in the quote received from the vendor; installations would be performed in July and August.

On July 21, the Consortium's Executive Committee adopted a policy that freezes the project investment for bus hardware. The costs for all future hardware needs due to fleet expansion or replacement will be borne by the transit agency. The Project Manager is empowered to make exceptions on a case-by-case basis, subject to normal advice and consent requirements.

Staff recommends execution of a proposed change order with INIT for up to \$72,000 for hardware and installation for 13 additional buses. All but \$21,600 of the necessary funds will be offset by a vendor contract credit, with the remainder coming from the project budget contingency. As described in Item #3, after change orders, the contingency will increase to \$485,300 by October due to an influx of funds from another project source.

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