

**MOTION NO. M2013-25**

A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with Absher Construction Company, to construct the Tukwila Station Project in the amount of \$15,600,715, with a 10% contingency of \$1,560,071, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$17,160,786.

**BACKGROUND:**

The proposed permanent Tukwila Sounder Station will be located on Sound Transit-owned property at Longacres Way in Tukwila. The project will build a new permanent station where the temporary Tukwila Station is located, directly south of Longacres Way. The station will be served by Sounder and Amtrak Cascades trains using the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad tracks.

Features of the permanent station will include two 600-foot-long platforms with shelters, ADA compliant ramps, stairs, ticket vending machines, improvements to the underpass connecting the two platforms, a bus transit area with shelters, 390 car parking stalls, 68 bicycle parking spaces, and underground water quality and stormwater detention facilities. The existing temporary station will remain operable during construction of the permanent station. The station will also include low impact development (LID) features with the construction of rain gardens to manage stormwater runoff and contribute to Sound Transit's sustainability initiative.


Sound Transit issued an invitation for bids in January 2013. Five bids were received on March 22, 2013. The lowest responsive bid of \$15,600,715 was submitted by Absher Construction Company, and is 15% below the engineer's estimate of \$18,374,091. Absher was subsequently deemed responsible.

Environmental review for the Tukwila Station Commuter Rail Station was completed with the Environmental Assessment (EA) issued by FTA and Sound Transit in January 2009. FTA approved a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in March 2009. FTA approved a NEPA Reevaluation for subsequent project design changes in a letter dated March 14, 2011.

**MOTION:**

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a contract with Absher Construction Company, to construct the Tukwila Station Project in the amount of \$15,600,715, with a 10% contingency of \$1,560,071, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$17,160,786.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on April 25, 2013.

  
Pat McCarthy  
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator