



Motion No. M2022-61

Contract Modification with PPC Solutions, Inc. for Mobile Patrol Security Services

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
Rider Experience and Operations Committee	7/15/2022	Final action	David Wright, Chief Safety Officer Ken Cummins, Director-Public Safety Brad Blackburn, Deputy Director-Public Safety

Proposed action

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a contract modification with PPC Solutions, Inc. to increase the contract amount for mobile patrol security services in the amount of \$2,000,000 for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Key features summary

- Sound Transit currently has a contract with PPC Solutions, Inc. to provide mobile patrol security services for Sound Transit property to address quality of life issues and promote community confidence. The contract was executed under the CEO's authority in August 2021 with a term of 10 months, plus two one-year options to extend.
- This contract replaces the mobile patrol component of the security services contract held by Securitas Security Services USA Inc. (Securitas) approved by the Board in 2018.
- Staff are currently in the process of evaluating proposals for agency-wide security services that will award multiple contracts to reliably and safely meet public safety requirements. Staff will bring these contract award recommendations to the Committee and Board for approval in 4th quarter 2022.
- This action will meet a temporary need for additional staffing to address shortfalls in staffing from the agency-wide security contract that will expire at the end of the year and will provide a bridge for a successful transition through early 2023 while a new security services procurement is completed. Securitas will continue to provide officers at static posts and staff the security operations center until the successful transition of the new security contracts.
- This increase to this contract is needed while proposals are being evaluated for the multi-award new Security Services procurement and will provide a bridge for a successful transition to the new contracts during the months during which new contractors are onboarded.
- The agency has exhausted all possibilities for other consultants at this critical time and PPC Solutions, Inc. is responding well to Sound Transit's need for these services.
- The requested amount covers services through approximately February 28, 2023.

Background

Sound Transit executed a contract with Securitas Security Services USA, Inc. on January 1, 2019 for agency-wide Public Safety and Security Services. This five-year contract has had many performance issues with staffing rates that have been declining for many months. Factors affecting Securitas' ability

to maintain adequate staffing have been addressed with a Notice to Cure and other measures. This presents a critical public safety concern for our ridership and members of the community.

In light of these challenges, Sound Transit's Public Safety office sought for alternate means to provide mobile patrol services to supplement the Securitas contract. It was determined that a new contract for Mobile Patrol Services would need to be procured, thereby removing the mobile patrol requirement from Securitas to allow them to reassign mobile patrol guards to posts. The resulting contract was executed with PPC Solutions under the CEO's Authority on August 9, 2021. Two additional piggyback temporary guard services contracts were executed in February 2022 and June 2022 with Cascadia Global Security and Allied Universal Security to mitigate Securitas' staffing issues.

Staff is currently in the process of evaluating proposals for agency wide security services that will award multiple contracts to reliably and safely meet public safety requirements. Staff will bring these contract award recommendations to the Committee and Board for approval later in 2022.

In the meantime, it is necessary to continue this contract through February 2023 to allow for a successful transition to the new contractors, should the Board approve the contracts in late 2022.

Procurement information

Contract RTA/RP 0052-21 was executed with PPC Solutions, Inc. for Mobile Patrol Security Services on August 9, 2021. It was determined that PPC Solutions' proposal offered the best value and was awarded in the best interests of Sound Transit. Additional funds are needed to continue services with this contractor to bridge the gap and allow for a successful transition while a new Security procurement is completed.

During the procurement process for the new contract that is being evaluated, Agency Policy 301 – Responsible Contractor was fully used in developing the RFP and the evaluation criteria.

Fiscal information

The proposed modification will amend the current contract by \$2.0 million for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$4.0 million and will be funded from the Services category within the Safety department's annual operating budget. The Services category budget is \$37.7 million of which a total of \$3.5 million is estimated to be spent on the contract in 2022 and is within the agency's budget authority. After approval of this modification, the remaining annual budget amount will be used to fund other department expenditures anticipated in the 2022 annual budget. The balance of the contract will be included in future annual budget requests. This service is non-taxable.

This action does not have an impact on the affordability of the Agency's Finance Plan.

Safety (SFT)
(in thousands)

Cost Category	2022 Annual Operating Budget ¹	YTD Actuals ²	This Action (Current Year Impact Only)	YTD Actuals Plus Action (Current Year Only)	Remaining Annual Operating Budget
Salaries and Benefits	\$9,622	\$3,557	\$	\$3,557	\$6,065
Services	37,651	13,243	3,500	16,743	20,908
Materials and Supplies	756	160		\$160	596
Utilities	7	3		\$3	4
Miscellaneous	184	48		\$48	136
Leases and Rentals	3			\$	3
Total Annual Operating Budget	\$48,222	\$17,010	\$3,500	\$20,510	\$27,711

Contract Spending Plan	Forecasted Spend for Remainder of 2022			Total
	Spending to Date ³	2022	Future Spending	
PPC SOLUTIONS INC	\$770	\$2,730	\$500	\$4,000

Contract Detail	Board Approved Contract Value	Proposed Action	Proposed Revised Board Approved Contract Value
PPC SOLUTIONS INC	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Contingency			
Contract Sub-Total (without taxes)	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Estimated Taxes			
Contract Total (with taxes)	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Percent Contingency	0%	0%	0%

Notes:

¹2022 Annual Operating Budget is located on page 71 of the Adopted Budget book.

²YTD Actuals as of May 31, 2022.

³Spending to Date as of May 31, 2022.

Disadvantaged and small business participation

Participation by small businesses and disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs)

Sound Transit promotes and encourages small business participation, which also includes disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs). Consistent with Sound Transit Policies and federal regulations, Sound Transit has established small business/DBE goals for this contract/agreement. These goals are based upon an examination of subcontracting opportunities contained in the work of this contract/agreement and the number of small businesses/DBEs available to perform such subcontracting work.

PPC Solutions, Inc. is currently a certified DBE firm in Washington State. PPC Solutions is DBE certified to perform security guard services and intends to perform 100 percent of the contract with its own forces.

For this specific contract/agreement, the following goals were set, and the successful Bidder/Proposer has committed to the following small business/DBE participation:

Small Business and disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) goals	
Sound Transit small business goal: 11%	Small business commitment: 0%
DBE goal: 3%	DBE commitment: 100%

Public involvement

Not applicable to this action.

Time constraints

A one-month delay could result in a lapse of security service.

Environmental review – KH 7/5/22

Legal review – AJP 7/8/22



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APPROVED by the Rider Experience and Operations Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on July 15, 2022.



Kristina Walker
Rider Experience and Operations Chair

Attest:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator