

SOUND TRANSIT

MOTION NO. M98-61

A motion of the Finance Committee awarding Contract RTA/CR44-98 between Sound Transit and Raul V. Bravo & Associates to provide for Quality Control, Quality Assurance, and Inspection Services for the *Sounder* Commuter Rail procurement of thirty-eight (38) cab cars and coaches, and six (6) locomotives, in an amount not to exceed \$1,851,667.43, and a 5% contingency amount of \$92,583.

Background:

One of the basic tenets of providing reliable and safe vehicles built to specification, is to put into place a Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) and Inspections Services contract for major capital investments. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is vitally interested in this component in order to assure that federal dollars invested in a major capital component is adequately protected by proper oversight.

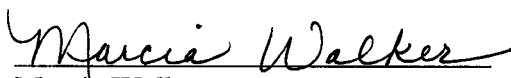
To this end, staff has circulated a Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide such services for Sound Transit for the *Sounder* commuter rail rolling stock. The proposal is for the provision of services for the first 38 cab cars and 6 locomotives necessary for the operation of the Seattle to Tacoma segment, with options for the remaining twenty (20) coaches and five (5) locomotives necessary for the Lakewood to Tacoma segment, which would require a future Board action. The firm, Raul V. Bravo & Associates, wrote the design specifications for the commuter rail cab cars/coaches and locomotives for Sound Transit and has history in the procurement of the commuter rail vehicles.

Motion:

It is hereby moved by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that a contract be awarded to Raul V. Bravo & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$1,851,667.43 for the purpose of Quality Assurance, Quality Control, and Inspection Services for *Sounder's* 38 cab cars and coaches, and 6 locomotives, and that the Executive Director is authorized to execute such contract. It is further moved that a contingency of 5% (\$92,583) be allocated for unanticipated issues which may arise during this process.

Approved by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, at a regular meeting thereof, on the 27th day of August, 1998.

ATTEST:


Marcia Walker
Board Administrator


Greg Nickels
Finance Committee Chair