

MOTION NO. M2014-56

Contract for Vegetation and Pest Management Services of Sound Transit Properties

MEETING:	DATE:	TYPE OF ACTION:	STAFF CONTACT:
Operations and Administration Committee	7/17/2014	Final Action	Ahmad Fazel, DECM Executive Director Nancy Bennett, Property Management Manager

PROPOSED ACTION

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a one-year contract, with four one-year options to extend, with AtWork! to provide vegetation and pest management services on Sound Transit properties for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$1,848,026.

KEY FEATURES SUMMARY

- The scope of work includes clearing and removing vegetation and pest management on railroad right-of-way owned by Sound Transit from Tacoma to Tillicum as well as some of the larger vacant parcels of land that Sound Transit owns.
- The work requires specialized, large scale equipment such as brush cutters and flail mowers, will be completed on a task order basis, and will be billed on a per-acre basis.
- This contract is designed for wide-spread clearing of vegetation and will not include services typically thought of as ornamental.
- This contract will not cover maintenance at any of Sound Transit's operating facilities. Landscaping and vegetation management services for properties in revenue service are covered under a separate contract.

BACKGROUND

Sound Transit manages and maintains approximately 23 miles of railroad right of way. This contract will maintain all large areas of land covered in natural vegetation that are vacant or non-operational portions of right-of-way.

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FISCAL INFORMATION

The 2014 Adopted Budget for DECM Maintenance Services is \$522,000. Within that amount \$159,708 has been spent as of the end of May 2014. The proposed action would commit no more than \$200,000 for AtWork! vegetation and pest management services contract this year, leaving a remaining uncommitted balance of \$162,371 in the DECM Maintenance Services for the rest of the year.

The total AtWork! vegetation and pest management services contract amount is not to exceed \$1,848,026 within five years.

This action is within the Adopted Budget and sufficient funds remain after approval of this action to fund the remaining work in DECM Maintenance Services as contained in the current cost estimates.

Current Year Budget	Adopted 2014 Budget	Spent to date 2014	Contract Expenditures	Remaining 2014 Budget
DECM Maintenance Services	522	160	200	162

Contract Spending Plan	Prior Year(s) Spending	Expected 2014 Spending	Future Expenditures	Total
AtWork!	0	200	1,648	1,848

Contract Budget	Current Approved Contract Value	Spent to Date	Proposed Action	Proposed Total Contract Value
AtWork!	0	0	1,848	1,848
Contingency	0	0	0	0
Total Contract	0	0	1,848	1,848
Percent Contingency	0%	0%	0%	0%

Notes:

Amounts are expressed in \$000s.

Spent to date amounts are as of May 31, 2014.

Design, Engineering & Construction Management budget is located on page 82 of the Adopted 2014 Budget book.

Budget for future years will be requested in future budgets.

SMALL BUSINESS/DBE PARTICIPATION AND APPRENTICESHIP UTILIZATION

Participation by Small Businesses and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)

Sound Transit promotes and encourages small business participation, which also includes Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). Small Business and DBE goals are based upon an examination of subcontracting opportunities contained in the work of this contract and the number of Small Businesses/DBEs available to perform such subcontracting work.

Sound Transit determined that Small Business and DBE subcontracting opportunities are unfeasible or improbable based upon the work described in this contract, so Small Business/DBE goals were not established or required.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Not applicable to this action.

TIME CONSTRAINTS

A one month delay would impact this contract due to specific projects that need vegetation cleared and noxious weed management.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

JI 6/18/2014

LEGAL REVIEW

JW 7/11/2014

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MOTION:


It is hereby moved by the Operations and Administration Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a one-year contract, with four one-year options to extend, with AtWork! to provide vegetation and pest management services on Sound Transit properties for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$1,848,026.

APPROVED by the Operations and Administration Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on July 17, 2014.



Paul Roberts
Operations and Administration Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator