# 2023 Landscape & Irrigation Services Maintain a safe and healthy environment for our passengers

Rider Experience and Operations Committee 12/01/22



# Why we are here

- The landscape maintenance and irrigation maintenance contracts that have been in place for the past 5 years are set to expire.
- Today we request the committee's authorization for approval of a new landscape and irrigation contract.





#### 2023 Landscape Services Cost



This 5-year landscape and irrigation services contract proposes a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$3,309,083 plus applicable taxes.

The proposed cost meets affordability within the Agency's Finance Plan.



## Landscape Contract Scope of Work

Sounder, ST Express, Tacoma Link and Link Garages

Plant health

Fertilization and Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

Turf-grass maintenance

· Mowing, edging, fertilization

Planter bed maintenance

Pruning, weeding, landscape debris removal, garbage pick up

**Irrigation Systems** 

 Monitoring for proper water coverage, winterization and system hardware maintenance



### Agency Environmental & Sustainability Goals

- Water conservation through well-maintained SMART controllers
  - Irrigation Central controls watering schedules via weather data.
  - Automatic shut-down of watering systems upon detection of a break.
  - "Cycle and Soak" program eliminates excess water run-off.
- Soil tests eliminate over-fertilization of shrubs and turf grass
  - Soil nutrient data findings determine future annual fertilization plans.
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
  - Managing principles guide weed control efforts.
  - Every two years adds a new layer of mulch to shrub beds for weed control and plant health.



#### Why are we combining two contracts?

- This procurement combines two expiring contracts, landscape maintenance and irrigation maintenance, into one scope of work creating a comprehensive System-Wide Landscape and Irrigation services contract.
- Combining these services can improve service quality, scheduling, and ensure greater accountability for overall maintenance success.

# Thank you.



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