



CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL  
**MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

November 20, 2019  
**AGENDA ITEM #10**

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Approve a stipend for and authorize issuance of  
a Request for Detailed Proposals to deliver the  
183 North Mobility Project under a Design-  
Build Agreement

Strategic Plan Relevance:	Regional Mobility
Department:	Engineering
Contact:	Justin Word, P.E., Director of Engineering
Associated Costs:	Statutory stipend of 0.2% of successful Proposer's Design-Build Price Proposal to each unsuccessful shortlisted Proposer
Funding Source:	Funding will ultimately be provided through a combination of toll revenue bonds and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) funds.
Action Requested:	Consider and act on draft resolution

**Project Description** - The 183 North Mobility Project ("Project") will expand capacity along a nine mile stretch of US 183 between SH 45 North and MoPac by adding two tolled express lanes in each direction in the middle of US 183. Additionally, the Project will expand the existing US 183 to four non-tolled general-purpose lanes in each direction, construct a shared use path, and construct sidewalks along the frontage roads between SH 45 North/RM 620 and Loop 1. The project also includes the addition of a direct connector between the existing express lanes on MoPac and the proposed express lanes on US 183 as well as additional operational improvements south along MoPac. This Project will allow for improved commutes from north Austin and Williamson County to and from downtown Austin.

The Mobility Authority's current cost estimate for the Design-Build agreement is approximately \$350 million.

**Previous Actions/Brief History of the Project** - On April 27, 2016, the Mobility Authority

received environmental approval for the development of the 183 North Project through the issuance of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) by the Texas Department of Transportation (“TxDOT”).

On April 26, 2017, the Mobility Authority exercised its option as a local toll project entity to develop, finance, construct, and operate the 183 North Project.

On January 31, 2019, the Texas Transportation Commission approved the release of \$104.2 million in federal funding for the non-tolled portion of the Project.

On May 24, 2019, the Mobility Authority received five Statements of Qualification, from which the following three Proposers were short-listed:

1. Capital Express Partners
2. Colorado River Constructors
3. Great Hills Constructors

Consequent to Board approval on July 24, 2019 draft Requests for Detailed Proposals (RFDP) documents were issued to these short-listed Proposers on August 9, 2019, with a subsequent revision issued on October 2, 2019.

Mobility Authority staff and consultants have prepared the Request for Detailed Proposals (RFDP) for the design-build agreement to construct the 183 North Mobility Project. We are currently working with the Texas Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration to obtain formal approval of the RFDP and authorization to issue the RFDP to the shortlisted Proposers.

**Action requested/Staff Recommendation -**

Consistent with the Procurement Policies and applicable law, the Mobility Authority will include a payment provision in the RFDP that entitles each unsuccessful shortlisted team that submits a qualifying response to receive a stipend of 0.2% of the successful Proposer’s Design-Build Price Proposal. Issuance of these payments will be based on the terms and conditions in the RFDP, and entitles the Mobility Authority to use all work product submitted by the Proposer, including concepts, ideas, technology, techniques, methods, processes, drawings, reports, plans and specifications.

The Executive Director recommends Board authorization to release the RFDP to the shortlisted Proposers.

**Funding** - Funding will ultimately be provided through a combination of toll revenue bonds and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) funds.

Backup Provided:                      Draft Resolution for Board Consideration

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-0XX**

**APPROVING A STIPEND AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A  
REQUEST FOR DETAILED PROPOSALS TO DEVELOP THE 183 NORTH  
MOBILITY PROJECT UNDER A DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the 183 North Mobility Project includes construction of two express lanes in each direction along a 9-mile stretch of US 183 between SH 45/RM 620 and MoPac, the addition of a fourth general purpose lane in each direction and connections from the 183 North Express Lanes to the MoPac Express Lanes, as well as new shared use path connections, new sidewalks, and cross-street connections for bicycles/pedestrians (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17-023, dated April 26, 2017, the Board exercised its option as a local toll project entity to develop, finance, construct, and operate an approximately 8.0-mile section of managed lanes on U.S. 183 between SH 45 North and MoPac as part of the Project; and

WHEREAS, by Minute Order No. 115406, dated January 31, 2019, the Texas Transportation Commission approved the release of \$104.2 million in federal funding for the non-tolled portion of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 370, Subchapter K, authorizes the Mobility Authority to use a design-build method to develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, Mobility Authority Policy Code (“Policy Code”) Chapter 4, Article 20, Subchapter A implements applicable state law and establishes the process the Mobility Authority will use to solicit proposals for a design-build contract to develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2019, the Executive Director issued a Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) to solicit qualifications submittals from teams interested in pursuing the development of the Project through a design-build contract; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 19-043, dated July 24, 2019, the Board of Directors approved the selection of short-listed teams (“Proposers”) qualified to receive draft Requests for Detailed Proposals (“RFDP”) for a design-build contract to develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, draft RFDP documents were issued to the Proposers on August 9, 2019, with a subsequent revision issued on October 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Section 370.409 of the Transportation Code and Section 401.068 of the Policy Code provide for the payment by the Mobility Authority of a stipend to each unsuccessful Proposer that submits a responsive proposal to the RFDP, for work product contained in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the stipend must be specified in the initial RFDP in an amount of at least two-tenths of one percent of the design-build contract amount, but may not exceed the value of the work product contained in the proposal to the Mobility Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mobility Authority staff have provided the Board with a copy of the RFDP proposed for issuance, including a stipend in the amount of two-tenths of one percent of the design-build contract amount as provided therein; and

WHEREAS, the design-build procurement process contemplates the issuance of various addenda to the RFDP; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends that the Board approve the proposed stipend amount and authorize issuance of the RFDP, including any addenda, to the Proposers.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board approves the payment a stipend to the unsuccessful Proposers in the amount of two-tenths of one percent of the design-build contract amount as provided in the Request for Detailed Proposals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is authorized to issue the Request for Detailed Proposals, including any addenda, to the Proposers.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Approved:

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Geoffrey Petrov, General Counsel

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Robert W. Jenkins, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Directors