



Agenda Item No. 1

To: Building and Operating Committee/Committee of the Whole
Meeting of June 25, 2009

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Subject: **AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FAST FERRY MANAGEMENT, INC., RELATIVE TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 2007-FT-8, CONSULTANT TO PROVIDE PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT FOR NEW HIGH-SPEED FERRY VESSELS**

Recommendation

The Building and Operating Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize execution of the First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Fast Ferry Management, Inc., Silverdale, WA, in the amount of \$71,753, to provide project management services, relative to Request for Proposals No. 2007-FT-8, *Consultant to Provide Project Management and Construction Oversight for New High-Speed Ferry Vessels*, with the understanding that requisite funds are available in the FY 09/10 Ferry Transit Division Capital Budget.

Summary

On April 16, 2007, the District entered into an agreement with Fast Ferry Management, Inc. (FFMI) to provide professional services necessary to acquire a new high-speed ferry. The services included preparation of technical and bid specifications necessary to issue a request for bid (RFB); evaluation of the proposals received in response to the RFB; negotiation of a contract with the selected shipyard; and provision of project/contract management and oversight throughout construction and delivery of the vessel.

During our negotiations for construction of the new vessel, the District became aware that two existing high-speed ferries, the *M.V. Snohomish (Napa)* and *M.V. Chinook*, were being offered for sale by Washington State Ferries (WSF). After a review of the condition and particulars of the two vessels, the District entered into negotiations with WSF for the purchase. During this process and the evaluation of the vessels, it was necessary to use the services of FFMI to assist the District along the way. FFMI principle, Mr. Martin Robbins, has an intimate and unique

knowledge of the two vessels, as he was previously employed by WSF during their design and construction and has subsequently managed the design and construction of three sister ships as well.

Because the District will require project management and oversight services for the design services and construction/alteration of the *M.V. Snohomish (Napa)* and *M.V. Chinook*, we requested that FFMI provide us with a revised scope of work and cost proposal to provide the necessary services. Additionally, we have determined that similar services are necessary for the upcoming repowering of the *M.V. Del Norte*, and FFMI has provided a scope of work and cost proposal for this work as well.

In view of the similarity of services needed for the three projects, coupled with the special experience and expertise FFMI can offer, staff believes it is prudent and in the best interest of the District to amend the current agreement with FFMI to include oversight and project management services for all three vessels. Staff has reviewed the revisions to both the scope of work and the cost proposal submitted by FFMI and finds them to be acceptable.

Fiscal Impact

The projects associated with this item are included in the FY 08/09 Ferry Transit Division Capital Budget as follows:

- Purchase and Rehabilitate *M.V. Snohomish (Napa)* at a total cost of \$11,705,000 and is funded with \$10,531,285 Federal Transit Administration funds, \$1,058,161 State I-Bond funds, and \$115,555 District funds (90% FTA / 9% State / 1% District).
- Purchase and Rehabilitate *M.V. Chinook* at a total cost of \$11,705,000 and is funded with \$7,955,185 Federal Transit Administration funds, \$1,058,161 State I-Bond funds, and \$2,691,654 District funds (68% FTA / 9% State / 23% District).
- Repower *M.V. Del Norte* at a total cost of \$4,407,000 and is 100% grant funded with \$3,173,854 Carl Moyer grant funds and \$1,233,146 Federal Transit Administration funds.

The proposed services of FFMI, including those previously accomplished as part of RFP No. 2007-FT-8, will be provided at a total sum not to exceed \$346,753, inclusive of all costs and expenses. This figure represents an increase of \$71,753 to the April 16, 2007 agreement with FFMI. No budget adjustment is necessary, as there are sufficient funds available in the respective capital project budgets as listed above to finance this Amendment.