

## CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 24-02

Approval to Issue Notice to Proceed-2 (NTP-2) for the Merced to Madera Project Section

Whereas, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for planning, constructing, and operating an intercity high-speed passenger train network that is fully integrated with the state's existing intercity transportation services (Public Utilities Code §§ 185030 and 185031);

Whereas, the Authority may enter into contracts with private and public entities for the design, construction and operation of high-speed rail trains including all tasks and segments thereof pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 185036;

Whereas, on February 17, 2022, the Authority Board of Directors (Board) authorized Authority staff to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for design services for the Merced to Madera project section for a contract value up to \$41 million for Notice to Proceed (NTP) -1 work on or after March 18, 2022 (Board Resolution #HSRA 22-05). The RFQ qualified the offeror for design services, which included all of the NTP-1, NTP-2 and NTP-3 work;

Whereas, on August 17, 2022, the Board authorized the execution of Agreement No. HSR 22-02 for design services for Merced to Madera project section with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. (Stantec). Board Resolution #HSRA 22-15 also authorized a contract value up to \$41 million for the NTP-1 work and required additional Board approval(s) prior to exercising the optional NTP-2 and NTP-3 work;

Whereas, on May 11, 2023, the Board approved the issuance of NTP-3 for the Merced to Madera Project Section to proceed with the Merced station relocation design for an amended contract value up to \$6.8 million. Board Resolution #HSRA 23-02 A authorized a total approved contract value for NTP-1 and NTP-3 work up to \$47.8 million; and

**Whereas**, staff recommends that the Authority exercise the optional NTP-2 work, which will authorize Stantec to proceed with the final design to 100% and provide construction ready documents.

## Therefore, it is resolved:

Authority staff are hereby authorized to issue NTP-2 under Agreement No. HSR 22-02 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$103.4 million and extend the contract term through April 30, 2026. The total approved contract value, which includes the NTP-1, NTP-2, and NTP-3 work, is in the not-to-exceed amount of \$151.2 million.

Vote: 8-0

Yes: Schenk; Richards; Camacho; Miller; Ghielmetti; Williams; Cohen; Perea

No:

Absent: Escutia

Date: January 18, 2024

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