

PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

I-105 EXPRESSLANES FINAL SEGMENTS 2 AND 3 DESIGN PLANS
SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES/AE77613000

1.	Contract Number: AE77613000	
2.	Recommended Vendor:	
3.	Type of Procurement (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	Procurement Dates:	
	A. Issued: August 18, 2021	
	B. Advertised/Publicized: August 19 and 30, 2021	
	C. Pre-Proposal Conference: September 9, 2021	
	D. Proposals Due: October 19, 2021	
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: February 25, 2022	
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: February 23, 2022	
	G. Protest Period End Date: April 25, 2022	
5.	Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded: 152	Proposals Received: 3
6.	Contract Administrator: Victor Zepeda	Telephone Number: (213) 922-1458
7.	Project Manager: Philbert Wong	Telephone Number: (213) 418-3137

A. Procurement Background

This Board Action is to approve Contract No. AE77613000 for the preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) Segments 2 and 3 issued in support of the Interstate 105 (I-105) ExpressLanes implementation. Board approval of contract awards are subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest.

Prior to the release of the solicitation, two virtual Metro Connect Industry Forums were conducted for the I-105 projects on June 3, 2021 and July 23, 2021. The June 3rd event was attended by 138 individuals and the July 23rd event was attended by 88 individuals. The events were held to inform the SBE/DBE/DVBE community of the upcoming I-105 contracting opportunities and to increase SBE/DBE/DVBE participation.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is firm fixed price. The RFP was issued with a total SBE/DVBE goal of 25% (SBE 22% and DVBE 3%).

Two (2) amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on August 27, 2021, provided a link to supporting documentation referenced in the Statement of Work;

- Amendment No. 2, issued on September 24, 2021, corrected exhibit form names;

A virtual pre-proposal conference was held on September 9, 2021 and was attended by 55 individuals representing 31 companies. There were four sets of questions and responses were released prior to the proposal due date.

A total of 152 firms downloaded the RFP and were registered in the plan holder's list. A total of three (3) proposals were received on October 19, 2021.

Evaluation of Proposals

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of staff from Metro's Alternative Delivery/Construction Management, ExpressLanes, and Capital Projects Engineer, and California Department of Transportation was convened and conducted a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposals received.

The proposals were evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria and weights:

1. Firm/Team Qualifications	20 Points
2. Project Manager, Key Staff, and Subconsultant Qualifications	25 Points
3. Project Understanding and Approach	35 Points
4. Work Plan	<u>20 Points</u>
	100 Points

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other, similar Architect and Engineers (A&E) procurements. Several factors were considered when developing these weights, giving the greatest importance to qualifications.

This is an A&E, qualifications-based procurement; therefore, price cannot be used as an evaluation factor pursuant to state and federal law.

Of the three proposals received, all three were determined to be within the competitive range and are listed below in alphabetical order:

1. AECOM
2. Parsons Transportation Group
3. WSP USA

On December 10, 2021, the evaluation committee met and interviewed the firms. The firms' project managers and key team members presented their team's qualifications and responded to the evaluation committee's questions. In general, each team's presentation addressed the requirements of the RFP, experience with all aspects of the required tasks, and stressed each firm's commitment to the

success of the project. Each team was asked questions relative to each firm's proposal and previous experience.

Qualifications Summary of Recommended Firm:

WSP USA, Inc.

WSP USA, Inc. (WSP) demonstrated past similar PS&E experience, proposed a team that possesses transportation experience and will be dedicated 100% to this project, and demonstrated the importance of coordination with all entities involved in this project and time frames.

After a thorough review of proposals and interviews, the PET's recommendation in the order of ranking is shown in the table below:

1	Firm	Average Score	Factor Weight	Weighted Average Score	Rank
2	WSP USA, Inc.				
3	Firm/Team Qualifications	94.33	20.00%	18.87	
4	Project Manager, Key Staff and Subconsultant Qualifications	92.95	25.00%	23.24	
5	Project Understanding and Approach	94.34	35.00%	33.02	
6	Work Plan	94.80	20.00%	18.96	
7	Total		100.00%	94.09	1
8	Parsons Transportation Group				
9	Firm/Team Qualifications	90.25	20.00%	18.05	
10	Project Manager, Key Staff and Subconsultant Qualifications	92.45	25.00%	23.11	
11	Project Understanding and Approach	93.00	35.00%	32.55	
12	Work Plan	95.93	20.00%	19.19	
13	Total		100.00%	92.90	2
14	AECOM				
15	Firm/Team Qualifications	91.75	20.00%	18.35	
16	Project Manager, Key Staff and Subconsultant Qualifications	91.56	25.00%	22.89	

17	Project Understanding and Approach	91.17	35.00%	31.91	
18	Work Plan	93.53	20.00%	18.71	
19	Total		100.00%	91.86	3

C. Cost Analysis

The recommended price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon an independent cost estimate (ICE), cost analysis, technical evaluation, fact finding, and negotiations.

Proposer Name	Proposal Amount	Metro ICE	Award Amount
WSP USA, Inc.	\$41,587,012.88	\$44,674,560	\$39,935,928.06

Staff successfully negotiated \$1,651,084.82 in cost savings from WSP's proposal.

D. Background on Recommended Contractor

The recommended firm, WSP USA, Inc., has a local office in Los Angeles, CA with its headquarters in Montreal, Canada. Established 130 years ago in New York, WSP specializes in transportation, bridges, wind energy, commercial and mixed-use type projects. WSP has provided services to Metro for over 20 years as a transportation (such as ExpressLanes/toll projects) consultant and has performed satisfactorily.