

PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

ON-CALL HIGHWAY PROGRAM PROJECT DELIVERY
AE67946000 through AE67946003

1.	Contract Number: AE67946000, AE67946001, AE67946002, AE67946003	
2.	Recommended Vendor: HNTB Corporation (AE67946000) Parsons Transportation Group (AE67946001) TranSystems Corporation (AE67946002) WKE, Inc. (AE67946003)	
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: 1/17/2020	
	B. Advertised/Publicized: 1/18/2020	
	C. Pre-Proposal Conference: 1/28/2020	
	D. Proposals Due: 2/25/2020	
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: In-process	
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: 3/5/2020	
	G. Protest Period End Date: 5/25/2020	
5.	Solicitations Picked-up/ Downloaded: 230	Proposals Received: 9
6.	Contract Administrator: Andrew Conriquez	Telephone Number: 213-922-3528
7.	Project Manager: Isidro Panuco	Telephone Number: 213-418-3208

A. Procurement Background

This Board Action is to approve Contract Nos. AE67946000, AE67946001, AE67946002, and AE67946003 issued to provide On-Call Highway Program Project Delivery support services. Board approval of contract awards are subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest.

This Architectural and Engineering (A&E) qualifications-based Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy. The RFP was issued with an SBE/DVBE goal of 33% (SBE 30% and DVBE 3%). Task orders will be issued on a fixed-price basis.

Work for each Contract will be authorized through the issuance of separate task orders. Each future task order will contain a specific statement of work for a scope of services.

Task orders will be issued to a contractor after discussions are conducted. If one contractor is unable to perform the work under a task order, the task order will be issued to the next highest ranked contractor.

Three amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on January 29, 2020, increased the proposal page limit;
- Amendment No. 2, issued on February 6, 2020, included Exhibit 11 – Noncollusion Affidavit as part of Volume II;
- Amendment No. 3, issued on February 11, 2020, updated Exhibit A – Scope of Services and extended the proposal due date.

A pre-proposal conference was held on January 28, 2020 and was attended by 85 participants representing 42 companies. There were 6 questions asked at the pre-proposal conference and responses were provided. In addition, 17 questions were received after the pre-proposal conference and responses were released prior to the proposal due date.

A total of 230 firms downloaded the RFP and were included in the planholders list. A total of 9 proposals were received on February 25, 2020.

B. Evaluation of Proposals

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of staff from Metro and Caltrans District 7 was convened and conducted a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposals received.

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

- Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Contractors Team 40 percent
- Management Plan, Availability and Controls 30 percent
- Degree of Skills and Experience of Team Members 30 percent

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other, similar A&E on-call project delivery support services procurements. Several factors were considered when developing these weights, giving the greatest importance to the experience and capabilities of the firms on the contractors' team.

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

During the week of March 23, 2020, the PET completed its independent evaluation of the nine proposals received and determined that four were deemed the most highly qualified to provide the services required. The four firms within the competitive range are listed below in alphabetical order:

1. HNTB Corporation
2. Parsons Transportation Group
3. TranSystems Corporation
4. WKE Inc.

Five firms were determined to be outside the competitive range and not included for further consideration. Proposers who were outside the competitive range did not clearly demonstrate their project managers or project experience and availability of key personnel was limited.

Qualifications Summary of Recommended Firms

HNTB Corporation

Founded in 1914, HNTB has been involved in planning, engineering, environmentally clearing and producing plans, specifications and estimates for highway and bridge structures in Southern California. HNTB Corporation has numerous offices across the United States and has designed many roads, airports bridges, tunnels, rail and transit systems.

In their proposal, HNTB described their experience with transportation projects such as planning, engineering, environmental, specifications and estimates and highway improvements. They demonstrated how they would address challenges of delivering projects planning through construction, while working with stakeholders and communities. In addition, HNTB has worked on multiple Los Angeles County projects such as SR710/North Study Alternatives Analysis, I-605 /Beverly Boulevard Interchange Improvements, and I-105 Express Lanes PA/ED.

Parsons Transportation Group

Serving Los Angeles since 1944, Parsons is one of the largest engineering and construction companies with more than 15,000 employees worldwide. Their highway experience consists of planning, design, and program/construction management of more than 10,000 miles of freeways and 4,500 bridges throughout the world.

Parsons' proposal demonstrated experience in all phases of support services, feasibility studies, alternatives analysis, and environmental services. In addition, Parsons has delivered multiple feasibility studies, alternatives analysis, PA/ED, PS&E, Managed Lanes, program management (PM), and construction management (CM) services, worth more than \$10 billion throughout Southern California.

TranSystems Corporation

TranSystems has been focused on helping clients solve transportation challenges since its inception.. TranSystems has provided engineering and architectural planning, design and construction solutions to enhance the movement of goods and people across today's integrated transportation infrastructure.

In their proposal, TranSystems established that they can be a key resource for Metro Highway planning. They have performed work on over 100 tasks order for Metro and

Caltrans District 7. TranSystems offers a wide-range of experience in all modes of transportation in the fields of highway planning, analysis and implementation experience working with local, State and Federal agencies.

WKE, Inc.

Established in 2007, WKE is a Southern California-based transportation planning and design consulting firm, providing its clients with engineering services for the construction of new and modified civil and structural projects. WKE offers 80 bridge and highway engineers dedicated solely to transportation engineering located in two offices in Los Angeles and Santa Ana.

The proposal submitted by WKE, Inc., demonstrated that they are a transportation planning and design firm who can provide relevant project knowledge, solid highway project experience and expertise and an unwavering commitment to the quality of their product. Their capabilities span the full range of project development and specialty technical areas.

Following is a summary of the PET evaluation scores:

	Firm	Weighted Average Score	Factor Weight	Average Score	Rank
1	HNTB Corporation				
2	Experience & Capabilities of the Firms on the Contractor's Team	83.00	40.00%	33.20	
3	Management Plan, Availability and Controls	78.67	30.00%	23.60	
4	Degree of Skills and Experience of Team Members	85.00	30.00%	25.50	
5	Total		100.00%	82.30	1
6	Parsons Transportation Group				
7	Experience & Capabilities of the Firms on the Contractor's Team	81.80	40.00%	32.72	
8	Management Plan, Availability and Controls	80.00	30.00%	24.00	
9	Degree of Skills and Experience of Team Members	85.00	30.00%	25.50	
10	Total		100.00%	82.22	2
11	WKE Inc.				
12	Experience & Capabilities of the Firms on the Contractor's Team	80.00	40.00%	32.00	
13	Management Plan, Availability and Controls	77.33	30.00%	23.20	
14	Degree of Skills and Experience of Team Members	79.00	30.00%	23.70	

15	Total		100.00%	78.90	3
16	TranSystems Corporation				
17	Experience & Capabilities of the Firms on the Contractor's Team	75.40	40.00%	30.16	
18	Management Plan, Availability and Controls	76.87	30.00%	23.06	
19	Degree of Skills and Experience of Team Members	80.80	30.00%	24.24	
20	Total		100.00%	77.46	4

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C. Cost

Work will be performed through the issuance of separate task orders. Each task order will require an independent cost estimate (ICE), cost analysis, technical analysis, fact finding, and negotiation to determine the fairness and reasonableness of price.

D. Background on Recommended Contractor(s)

HNTB Corporation

HNTB has worked with Riverside County Transportation Commission, Orange County Transportation Authority, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, and Metro. The proposed project manager has over 20 years of project manager experience. The knowledge and experience the project manager brings working with Caltrans District 7 in the past may be a benefit to Metro in navigating the Caltrans approval process to facilitate time within budget completion for Metro' highway on-call program. In addition, HNTB Corporation demonstrated experience in transportation planning, engineering, specifications and estimates and environmental clearing.

Parsons Transportation Group

Parsons has a diverse range of experience working on complex projects and with stakeholders such as Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration, Councils of Government, Corridor Cities and Resource Agencies. The Parsons Project Manager has decades of experience including over 22 years working with Caltrans. In addition, the project manager has experience working with construction oversight, contractor management, project planning and development, goal setting, environmental, public outreach and public relations, coordination and regular meetings with multiple federal, state, and local agencies and stakeholders.

TranSystems Corporation

TranSystems Corporation has delivered on over 100 task orders, small and large, throughout Southern California for Caltrans and Metro's transportation projects. The Project Manager has over 40 years of experience working on transportation projects. TranSystems Project Manager has extensive knowledge of Metro and Caltrans requirements, approval processes, procedures, design guideline and State and Federal regulations. In addition, the Project Manager has knowledge and understanding of key stakeholders and local agencies.

WKE, Inc.

WKE, Inc., services include the planning and design of freeway corridor widenings, High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) improvements, managed lanes, freight corridors, railroad grade separations, bridge seismic retrofitting, and freeway interchange and street widening projects. The proposed Project Manager has managed the delivery of over 120 SRs and PA/EDs, and 80 PS&Es for major freeway widening and interchange reconstructions with Caltrans oversight and approvals. The Project Manager also worked at Caltrans District 7 for 12 years and managed the PS&E for the I-105/I-405 Five-Level Freeway-to-Freeway Interchange. He served as the Project Manager for Highway Program Planning On-Call Task Order contracts for transportation agencies in Southern California including Caltrans District 7, Orange County Transportation Authority, Transportation Corridor Agencies, Riverside County Transportation Department, Orange County Department of Public Works, and the Port of Long Beach.