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**Board Report** 

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## SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 18, 2016

### SUBJECT: BUS PEST CONTROL

### ACTION: AWARD CONTRACT FOR BUS PEST CONTROL SERVICES

#### RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a five-year, firm fixed unit rate contract, PS4269500 to **ISOTECH Pest Management for bus pest control services** in an amount not-to-exceed \$4,961,610, effective April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2021.

#### <u>ISSUE</u>

Metro operates a fleet of approximately 2,200 buses that are serviced nightly at eleven maintenance facilities. Bus transportation services are provided to a service area of 1,433 square miles with average monthly boardings of over 27,000,000. Due to the large service area and volume of patrons, there is a potential for pests to migrate onto and populate Metro vehicles.

#### DISCUSSION

This contract will provide Metro bus divisions with pest control services for the bus fleet. The objective is to eliminate pest activity using equipment and/or products that target pests in and around their harborage/breeding areas.

Effective pest control services are necessary to provide a clean, safe and sanitary environment for Metro patrons and employees.

Bus pest control services are currently being performed under a contract with ISOTECH Pest Management which is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2016. Pest control services of Metro rail cars and facilities are administered under a separate contract.

### DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Award of this contract shall ensure that the application of pest control products onboard Metro equipment is performed by a licensed contractor with certified technicians that have the training and experience to safely perform this service.

# FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding of \$248,080 for the new contract is included in the FY16 budget in cost center 3120 Quality Assurance Department, under project 306002, Operations Maintenance and line item 50320, Service Contract Services. Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center manager and the Executive Director, Maintenance will ensure that the balance of funds is budgeted in future years.

## Impact to Budget

The source of funds for this procurement will come from State and local funding sources that are eligible for Bus and Rail Operating or Capital Projects. These funding sources will maximize the use of funds for these activities. No other sources of funds were considered for this activity because it directly supports bus operations. This activity is part of on-going maintenance costs as pest control services are required to provide a clean and sanitary environment.

# ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

An alternative is to have Metro employees perform these services; however, this is not an acceptable alternative. The application of the required products to effectively eliminate unwanted pests on Metro equipment requires a California State Technician Certification. Metro employees do not possess the necessary state technician certification, equipment or experience to safely and effectively apply the necessary pest control chemicals.

### NEXT STEPS

Upon approval by the Board, staff will execute Contract PS4269500 to ISOTECH Pest Management to provide bus pest control services throughout Metro bus facilities effective April 1, 2016.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary Attachment B - DEOD Summary

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