ACTION ITEM

Bus Shelter & Shelter Installation Service Contracts

Action:  A. Recommend Approval to Continue the Contract with Brasco International Inc., for the Purchase of Bus Shelters and Increase the Total Not to Exceed Limit to $2,148,650.

B. Recommend Approval to Continue the Contract with Certus Builders for Installation of Bus Shelters and Increase the Total Not to Exceed Limit to $1,125,000.

CONSENT OR ACTION ITEM

Staff Resource:  Henry Lukasik, Director of Maintenance

Background:

Bus Shelters

• PSTA currently has 5,108 bus stops throughout Pinellas County, of which approximately 690 have bus shelters.

• In March 2015, the Board approved a three year contract with two one-year renewals with Brasco International, Inc., for the purchase of manufactured bus shelters at a total cost not to exceed $1,148,650. This amount was based on the amounts of capital funding for shelters PSTA had included in the adopted 5-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

• As we begin Year 3 of the potentially 5-year agreement, since 2015, PSTA has purchased a total of 134 new shelters at a total cost of $1,100,390, leaving only $48,260 in authorized value left.

• While PSTA has been installing shelters according to its own phased-in plan, PSTA has also been successful in obtaining nearly $400,000 of community support through the PSTA Shelter Match Program to obtain 50% reimbursement of PSTA’s expenditures for shelters, pads and amenities. St. Petersburg, Madeira Beach, and Dunedin are just some of the cities that have already partnered with PSTA for additional shelters.

• Since these City supported shelters have also been purchased from Brasco, the planned 5-year contract value has been reached in just over two years.
• With goal to continue both the PSTA-funded phased shelter installations plus seek more community support, there is a need to increase the amount of funding to meet current and future community demand.

• PSTA is recommending increasing the authorized value of the Brasco contract by $1,000,000. This would allow for approximately 120 additional shelters to be purchased over the next 3 years and bring the Brasco contract value up to $2,148,650.

Shelter Installation Services

• Just like the Brasco contract, in December 2015, the Board approved a three (3) year contract with two (2) one (1) year renewals with Certus Builders for installation of newly purchased bus shelters in addition to other related services (i.e. concrete construction, maintenance of traffic, removal of existing shelters, etc.).

• The Board approved a total not to exceed limit of $375,000 but since 2015, they have installed 50 shelters and spent $317,039, leaving only a balance of $57,961 remaining.

• PSTA is recommending increasing the authorized value of installation work related to shelters by $750,000 bringing the contract value up to $1,125,000.

• The total cost for installation of the additional purchased bus shelters is approximately $750,000.

Fiscal Impact:

• Both contracts are eligible, for that portion that is not reimbursed through the Shelter Match Program, to be 100% federally funded by a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant and is included in the approved Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

• PSTA anticipates further participation in PSTA’s Shelter Match program and will continue its phased-in shelter replacements per the adopted CIP so the increases in contract values will be fully funded.

Recommendation:

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