

MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD MINUTES CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AUGUST 5, 2025

A special meeting of the Mass Transit Department Board was called to order at 11:41 a.m. Board Chair Renard Johnson was present and presiding and the following Board Members answered roll call: Alejandra Chávez, Josh Acevedo, Deanna Maldonado-Rocha, Cynthia Boyar Trejo, Ivan Niño, Art Fierro, Lily Limón, and Chris Canales.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:

Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Fierro, and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}.)

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo, Niño,

Fierro, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

CONSENT AGENDA – REQUEST TO EXCUSE ABSENT MASS TRANSIT BOARD MEMBERS:

1. NO ACTION was taken on this item.

CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS:

2.

*RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, University of Texas at El Paso ("UTEP") contracts with Van Wagner to offer Marketing Partner packages on behalf of UTEP's Intercollegiate Athletics Department ("UTEP Athletics"); and

WHEREAS, entering into an Agreement for the purchase of a Marketing Partner package allows the Marketing Partner to obtain benefits such as advertising opportunities during UTEP's athletic games and UTEP Athletics social media postings; and

WHEREAS, UTEP games are attended by citizens and non-citizens of the City and therefore messages displayed during the games and on UTEP Athletics social media reach a large and unique population; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into this Agreement as a Marketing Partner to use the advertising opportunities offered by UTEP and Van Wagner in order to educate the public about services provided by the Mass Transit Department of the City ("Sun Metro") as well as encourage participation in the various services; and

WHEREAS, the Marketing Partner package the City wishes to purchase is for an initial term of one year at a cost of \$35,000.00 and two, one-year options to extend the contract, each option at a cost of \$35,000, for a total contract cost of \$105,000.00; and

WHEREAS, entering into this Agreement serves the public purpose of promoting the visual image of the City as well as nurturing and promoting a healthy and sustainable community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BOARD OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the Mass Transit Department Board of the City of El Paso finds the above recitals to be true and correct.

That the City Manager or designee(s) be authorized to sign a Marketing Partner Agreement between the City of El Paso and Van Wagner for the City to obtain advertising opportunities for the services provided by Sun Metro and as further described in the Agreement for an initial term of one year at a cost of \$35,000.00, and two, one-year options to extend the contract for a total cost of \$105,000.00.

That the City Manager or designee be authorized to administratively exercise future options without the need for further Mass Transit Department Board approval.

That the City Manager or designee be authorized to take actions necessary and effectuate any budget transfers, sign all related agreements, amendments to such agreements and related documents after review and approval by the City Attorney's office, necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

REGULAR AGENDA – OTHER BIDS, CONTRACTS, PROCUREMENTS:

3. Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Maldonado-Rocha, and unanimously carried to AUTHORIZE the Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue Purchase Order(s) for Solicitation 2025-0136 Camera Systems, Parts and Service to Iris Infrared & Intelligent Sensors NA, Inc., the sole and authorized distributor of IRIS cameras a proprietary on-board camera system for a term of three (3) years for an estimated amount of \$2,499,564.00. Supplier will be required to provide an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year. This contract will allow Sun Metro to replace the camera systems in the current vehicle fleet and software licenses.

Contract Variance:

No Contract Variance

Department: Sun Metro – Mass Transit

Award to: Iris Infrared & Intelligent Sensors NA, Inc.

City & State: Cedar Rapids, IA

Item(s): All

Initial Terms: 3 Years
Total Contract Time: 3 Years

Initial Term Estimated Award: \$2,499,564.00 Total Estimated Award: \$2,499,564.00

Account(s): 560-3210-60040-533020-P6016-G6022TSGP-Project P6022TSGP

Funding Source(s): 2022 Transit Security Grant

District(s): All

Non-Competitive Procurement under Local Government General Exemption: Section 252.022 (7) a procurement of items that are available from only one source, (D) Captive Replacement Parts or Components.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Mass Transit (Sun Metro) Departments recommend award as indicated to Iris Infrared & Intelligent Sensors NA, Inc., under the exemption listed above.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar

Trejo, Niño, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Board Member Fierro

4. Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Canales, and unanimously carried to AUTHORIZE the Director of Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing to issue Purchase Order(s) for Solicitation 2025-0462 Trapeze Software and Equipment Maintenance to Trapeze Software Group, Inc., dba Vontas, the sole and authorized distributor of the Transit Master & Response Master CAD & A VL software for a term of five (5) years for an estimated amount of \$2,066,911.00. Supplier will be required to provide an updated sole source letter and affidavit each year. This contract will allow Sun Metro to maximize dispatchers efficiency. Transit Master CAD/AVL software automatically coordinates real-time includes; automated vehicle monitoring, single point of log-on, intelligent decision support.

Contract Variance:

The difference based in comparison to the previous contract is as follows: An increase of \$681,892.00, which represents a 49.23% increase due to additional scope of work: 1) the Infotainment and 2) management system for the in-bus signs and the on-street signs and increased operational costs due to rising wages and expenses for tech companies.

Department: Sun Metro – Mass Transit

Award to: Trapeze Software Group, Inc., dba Vontas

City & State: Cedar Rapids, IA

Item(s):AllInitial Term:5 YearsTotal Contract Time:5 Years

Initial Term Estimated Award: \$2,066,911.00 Total Estimated Award: \$2,066,911.00 Account(s): 560 – 3215 – 60060 – 522020 – P6005

Funding Source(s): Sun Metro Operating Funds

District(s): All

Non-Competitive Procurement under Local Government General Exemption: Section 252.022 (7) (A) items that are available from only one source because of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies, (D) captive replacement parts or components for equipment.

The Purchasing & Strategic Sourcing and Mass Transit (Sun Metro) Departments recommend award as indicated to Trapeze Software Group, Inc., dba Vontas under the exemptions listed above.

It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of this award.

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar

Trejo, Niño, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Board Member Fierro

ADJOURN

Motion made by Board Member Limón, seconded by Board Member Canales, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

AYES: Board Chair Johnson and Board Members Chávez, Acevedo, Maldonado-Rocha, Boyar Trejo,

Niño, Limón, and Canales

NAYS: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Board Member Fierro

Approved as to content:

Anthony DeKeyzer, Director of Mass Transit