EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
8:30 AM, MARCH 27, 2020
Foothill Transit Administrative Office
2nd Floor Board Room
100 South Vincent Avenue
West Covina, CA 91790


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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL: MEMBERS BARAKAT, BOYER, CALAYCAY, MOSS, STERNQUIST

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. PUBLIC COMMENT
   4.1. Executive Director Response to Public Comment

Public Comment: Members of the public shall have the right to address the Board on any item of interest which is within the jurisdiction of the Board before or during the Board’s consideration of the item. Presentation shall not exceed two minutes in length. Action may be taken on any item identified on the agenda. Persons wishing to comment should submit a “Request to Speak” form to the Secretary. Note: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA.

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5. EMERGENCY SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT AWARD – ARCADIA/IRWINDEALE TRANSIT SERVICES

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an emergency sole-source agreement in the amount of $103,968,371 with Transdev Services for a period of 24 months for the provision of continued transit services at Foothill Transit’s Arcadia/Irwindale operations and maintenance facility.

6. CLOSED SESSION: THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES

Consultation with Darold Pieper, General Counsel and G. Kent Woodman, Special Counsel

7. CLOSED SESSION REPORT
8. RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY ACTIONS

   Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 2020-01 proclaiming an emergency and authorizing emergency actions.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENT

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

11. ADJOURNMENT
March 27, 2020

To: Executive Board

Subject: Emergency Sole-Source Contract Award - Arcadia/Irwindale Transit Services

Recommendation

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an emergency sole-source agreement in the amount of $103,968,371 with Transdev Services for a period of 24 months for the provision of continued transit services at Foothill Transit’s Arcadia/Irwindale operations and maintenance facility.

Analysis

At the August 23, 2019, Executive Board meeting, the Board authorized issuance of Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 20-010 for the operation of transit services for Foothill Transit’s Arcadia/Irwindale facility.

As procurement activities were approaching a conclusion, it became apparent that the COVID-19 pandemic would have a negative impact on the day-to-day provision of service. In addition, the coordination and face-to-face interaction necessary in the coming months to transition from service under our existing Contract No. 16-021 with Transdev to service provision under Contract No. 20-010, potentially with a new contractor, is not compatible with the need to implement the social distancing necessary to help halt the spread of COVID-19.

On March 13, 2020, a national emergency was declared and at the March 18, 2020, meeting the Executive Board authorized cancelation of RFP No. 20-010. Additionally, the Board authorized the Executive Director to pursue one of two options. The first option was to negotiate acceptable terms and conditions and enter into an emergency sole-source agreement with Transdev to enable continued service out of Foothill Transit’s Arcadia/Irwindale facility for two years. The second option was to execute the available four-year option on Agreement No. 16-021 with Transdev.

In line with the Board’s authorization, negotiations were initiated immediately with Transdev to discuss terms and conditions for an emergency sole-source 24-month Transit Services agreement with Transdev to ensure service continuation until a new competitive procurement can be completed. The proposed agreement would include the essential terms in place in the current
Agreement No. 16-021 and would take effect on July 1, 2020, at the end of the base term of the current Agreement No. 16-021. The new agreement will incorporate the addition of the following elements:

- **Global Resources:** Transdev will continue to draw on their experiences from and introduce Foothill Transit to other properties that are either experiencing similar issues or implementing new ideas Foothill Transit may be interested in exploring. The team will facilitate these opportunities based on the availability, frequency, and budget preferences of Foothill Transit, to include web conferences.

- **Revamp of Bus Operation Control Center Procedures and Added Tools:** Separation between job function and physical location for window dispatchers and controllers to facilitate enhanced focus on real-time on-street service management; Automating Vehicle Assignments. This approach also optimizes the use of the Avail CAD/AVL Technology.

- **Network Design Study:** Transdev proposes conducting a Network Design Workshop that would provide the support of their in-house planning staff to assist Foothill Transit in identifying areas to increase customer satisfaction.

- **DriveCam Full Implementation:** Transdev has replaced SmartDrive with Lytx DriveCam’s newest camera system, which is not only triggered by G-Force events, it also uses artificial intelligence to detect much more such as rolling stops, distracted eye movement indicating an Operator who may be looking at a phone or other distraction instead of the road, Operators without a seatbelt, and more.

- **Fuel Efficiency and Savings:** Installation of DriveCam will help to reduce safety and speed violations which will also directly impact fuel efficiency.

- **Local Risk Manager:** The addition of a Risk Manager position to the local team. This individual will concentrate on Workers’ Compensation and Vehicle claims to improve response time and deploy necessary resources.

- **SafeMode:** SafeMode is technology that is based on behavioral modification research and focuses on Coach Operators. Transdev will develop an incentive program around the improvement of safety performance and fuel efficiency using SafeMode or a similar technology.

- **CityWay – Multimodal Trip Planning:** Transdev brings its expertise in new technologies dedicated to traveler information systems to foothill
Transit in the new term at no additional cost, offering to have CityWay serve in a technical advisor role as Foothill Transit begins the process of selecting a Maas provider.

- **New Media for Route Familiarization Training:** Transdev will develop a program to provide route familiarization training via video for operators.

- **Maintenance Performance and Development Team:** Transdev will launch its Maintenance Performance and Development Team to provide additional support and resources to the local maintenance team.

Foothill Transit’s Procurement Policy allows for the organization to conduct an emergency procurement when it is “immediately necessary for the preservation of life or property, or to prevent an immediate termination of a critical Foothill Transit function or activity.” Under the policy, the agency may limit competition to a sole source with the existence of an unusual and compelling urgency. This aspect of the Foothill Transit Policy is consistent with Federal procurement principles, which allow a sole source non-competitive procurement to be used when there is a public exigency or emergency, as reflected in the National Emergency declared on Friday, March 13, 2020.

Pricing over the 24-month term of this proposed agreement reflects a six percent increase over the pricing level for the first two years in the available four-year option on the current Agreement No. 16-021.

**Budget Impact**

Foothill Transit’s Business Plan and Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 is currently under development. Funds will be budgeted to compensate Transdev for provision of transit service at Foothill Transit’s Arcadia/Irwindale Operations and Maintenance Facility.

Sincerely,

Kevin Parks McDonald
Deputy Executive Director

Doran J. Barnes
Executive Director

Christopher Pieper
Director of Procurement and Treasurer

Michelle Lopes Caldwell
Director of Finance and Treasurer
March 27, 2020

To: Executive Board

Subject: Resolution Proclaiming an Emergency and Authorizing Emergency Actions

Recommendation

Adopt Resolution No. 2020-01 proclaiming an emergency and authorizing emergency actions.

Analysis

On March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of this and of other actions taken at the local and national levels of government to control the spread of the pandemic, Foothill Transit has experienced significant declines in ridership and commuter service has been suspended.

Other governmental authorities are implementing daily changes in actions, which have impacts on ridership, the availability, and the health and safety of Foothill Transit staff and contracted service staff. These necessitate that executive authority be provided to take emergency actions in response.

It is recommended that the Executive Board proclaim that an emergency exists throughout the Foothill Transit service area and that this emergency be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is ordered by the Executive Board.

It is also recommended that, during the period of this emergency, the Executive Director and his designees be authorized to take those personnel and contracting actions necessary to maintain appropriate levels of transit service, maintain readiness to resume normal transit operations, and provide for the health and economic welfare of both Foothill Transit and contracted staff.

Sincerely,

Kevin Parks McDonald
Deputy Executive Director

Doran J. Barnes
Executive Director

Attachment
A RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF FOOTHILL TRANSIT PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY ACTIONS
Resolution #2020-01

The Executive Board of Foothill Transit does resolve as follows:

1. Findings. The Executive Board hereby finds and declares the following:
   A. On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
   B. Conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the Foothill Transit service area caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
   C. Actions taken by the federal, state, county, and city governments to control the pandemic have resulted in significant declines in public transit utilization, and have required Foothill Transit to suspend normal office operations.
   D. As a result of daily changes in actions taken by other governmental authorities, and the resultant impacts on ridership, the availability, and the health and safety of Foothill Transit staff and contracted service staff, it is necessary to provide executive authority to take emergency actions in response.

2. Action. The Executive Board hereby:
   A. Proclaims that an emergency exists throughout the Foothill Transit service area and that this emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is ordered by the Executive Board.
   B. The Executive Director and his designees are authorized during the period of this emergency to take such personnel and contracting actions as they deem necessary to maintain appropriate levels of transit service, maintain readiness to resume normal transit operations, and provide for the health and economic welfare of both Foothill Transit and contracted staff.

3. Adoption. PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Executive Board held on March 27, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Darold Pieper, General counsel

By:______________________________

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Cynthia Sternquist, Chair

ATTEST:
Christina Lopez, Board Secretary

By:______________________________