SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.: DRPA-14-065

SUBJECT: PARTSWG Regional Transit Tunnel Evacuation Planning and Exercise

COMMITTEE: Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: May 7, 2014

BOARD ACTION DATE: May 22, 2014

PROPOSAL: That the DRPA Commission authorizes staff to enter into an agreement with a successful GSA vendor, for not to exceed $730,000 to provide services, and other related hardware/software to support regional, transit tunnel evacuation planning and exercise activities on behalf of the Philadelphia Regional Transit Security Working Group agencies who are signatories to the PARTSWG Regional Cooperative Agreement using 2011 DHS Transit Security Grant Program funding in an amount not-to-exceed $730,000.

PURPOSE: To enter into an agreement with a successful GSA vendor on behalf of Philadelphia Regional Transit Security Working Group to provide services, and other related hardware/software to support regional transit tunnel evacuation, planning, and exercise activities on behalf of the Philadelphia Regional Transit Security Working Group agencies who are signatories to the PARTSWG Regional Cooperative Agreement using 2011 DHS Transit Security Grant Program funding in an amount not-to-exceed $730,000.

BACKGROUND: The Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) provides grant funding to the nation’s key high-threat urban areas to enhance security measures for their critical transit infrastructure including bus, ferry and rail systems. It is one of six grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the nation’s critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The TSGP is an important component of the Department’s effort to enhance the security of the Nation’s critical infrastructure. The program provides funds to owners and operators of transit systems (which include intra-city bus, commuter bus, and all forms of passenger rail) to protect critical surface transportation
infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major
disasters, and other emergencies. The Philadelphia Region
encompasses Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, and
a portion of Delaware. The Philadelphia Region is considered a Tier I
region, that is it receives the highest priority for these federal grants.
The Philadelphia Area Regional Transit Security Working Group
(PARTSWG) is comprised of recipient representatives of
DRPA/PATCO, SEPTA, DART, and NJT. The DRPA has been the
chair of the working group since its inception in 2005 and has been
applying for all regional projects and forwarding purchase orders to
PEMA on behalf of the region. The PARSTWG votes to share
projects as a regional effort. This status as a regional project often
allows DRPA/PATCO to receive aid in the area which it would not
have qualified for alone. Additionally, since the DRPA is
administering these regional projects, the agency is eligible for the
Management and Administration portion of these grants.

This project shall support the creation/update of transit tunnel
evacuation procedures, as well as all of the planning involved and an
exercise of the procedures on a regional basis.

SUMMARY:

| Amount:                      | $730,000 (100% grant funded) |
| Source of Funds:            | 2011 TSGP Grant              |
| Capital Project#:          | N/A                          |
| Master Plan Status:        | N/A                          |
| Other Fund Sources:        | N/A                          |
| Duration of Contract:      | 09/30/2016                   |
| Other Parties Involved:    | FEMA, TSA, DHS               |
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the DRPA Commission authorizes staff to enter into an agreement with a successful GSA vendor, for not to exceed $730,000 to provide services, and other related hardware/software to support regional, transit tunnel evacuation planning and exercise activities on behalf of the Philadelphia Regional Transit Security Working Group agencies who are signatories to the PARTSWG Regional Cooperative Agreement using 2011 DHS Transit Security Grant Program funding in an amount not-to-exceed $730,000.

RESOLVED: The Chair, Vice Chair and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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