

Tulare County Association of	Date:	Monday, October 17, 2022
Governments	Time:	1:00 PM
	Place:	Porterville Fire Department Training Facility, 500 N. Newcomb Street,
		Porterville, CA 93257
Technical Advisory Committee	Date:	Thursday, October 13, 2022
	Time:	1:30 PM
	Place	Tulare County Association of Governments
		210 N. Church Street, Suite B
		(Sequoia Conference Room)
		Visalia, CA 93291

# ADDENDUM

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#### VIII. ASSOCIATION ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

I. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of 2021-2022 Fiscal Audit for Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) Consultant Selection Action

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## AGENDA ITEM VIII-I

October 17, 2022 Prepared by Leslie Davis, TCAG Staff

## SUBJECT:

**Action:** Adoption of Resolution: Approval of 2021-2022 Fiscal Audit for Tulare County Regional Transit Agency (TCRTA) Consultant Selection

## BACKGROUND:

On March 18, 2021, TCAG staff sent out a Request for Proposal (RFP) to 50 firms for the preparation of the TCAG Fiscal Audits. The RFP identified \$86,000 as budgeted for the fiscal audit and \$15,000 for additional services as approved. Two (2) proposals were received. The proposals were from: Brown Armstrong CPAs of Bakersfield, and Price, Paige & Company, of Clovis. TCAG staff evaluated and scored the proposals based on the adopted scoring criteria including understanding of the work to be done, experience with similar kinds of work, quality of staff, capability of developing innovative or advanced techniques, local preference, and demonstration of DBE intent.

The audits will be performed for FY 2020/21, FY 2021/22 and FY 2022/23 and include, TCRTA and TDA audits for nine (9) member agencies as applicable. The 2 firms showed understanding of the work to be done and have sufficient experience with similar audits. The firms had good references, qualified staff and were under budget. The firm that scored the highest based on the TCAG adopted procurement procedures is Brown Armstrong CPA's. This firm has the best understanding of how TCAG functions and has prior experiences with other Council of Governments (COG's) and Transportation Agencies. The board approved the firm Brown Armstrong CPA's on Resolution No.2021-102 to perform the audits.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

TCRTA operations have continued to progress and all the member agencies of the JPA have been incorporated into TCRTA effective July 1, 2022. We have reviewed the preliminary draft general ledger with the outside auditors to determine the additional resources needed to complete the TCRTA audit for fiscal year 2021/2022 and 2022/2023. Brown Armstrong CPA's presented a proposal indicating the additional resources needed for FY 2021/2022 will be \$20,000. TCAG set aside funding that was approved in the budget to fund the FY 2021/2022 audit. TCRTA will provide the funding for the audit of the FY 2022/2023.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

In consultation with TCRTA Executive Director, staff recommends the approval of Brown Armstrong CPA's to provide the additional resources necessary to complete the FY 2021/2022 audit for TCRTA in the amount of \$20,000. Staff also recommend that TCRTA include the resources necessary to complete the FY 2022/2022 for \$25,000 within their FY 2023/2024 budget.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

No Fiscal Impact. The funding has already been approved within the TCAG FY 2022/2023 budget for the FY 2021/2022 audit for TCRTA.

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution approving a TCRTA FY 2021/2022 fiscal audit consultant.
- 2. Proposal from Brown Armstrong CPA's
- 3. Sole Source Contract Justification Form (under separate cover)

#### BEFORE THE TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of:

#### APPROVAL OF 2021/2022 FISCAL AUDIT ) TULARE COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSIT ) AGENCY(TCRTA)CONSULTANT SELECTION)

Resolution No. 2022-xxx

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2021, the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) requested proposals for consultant services to prepare fiscal audits of the agency and selected funds under its jurisdiction for fiscal years 2020/21, FY 2021/22 and FY 2022/23; and

WHEREAS, The audits will be performed for FY 2020/21, FY 2021/22 and FY 2022/23 and include, TCRTA and TDA audits for nine (9) member agencies as applicable. The 2 firms showed understanding of the work to be done and have sufficient experience with similar audits. The firms had good references, qualified staff and were under budget. The firm that scored the highest based on the TCAG adopted procurement procedures is Brown Armstrong CPA's. This firm has the best understanding of how TCAG functions and has prior experiences with other Council of Governments (COG's) and Transportation Agencies; and

WHEREAS, The board approved the firm Brown Armstrong CPA's on Resolution No.2021-102 to perform the audits as indicated; and

WHEREAS, a review of the TRCRTA preliminary draft general ledger for FY 2021/2022 with the outside auditors has determine the additional resources needed to complete the TCRTA audit for fiscal year 2021/2022 and 2022/2023; and

WHEREAS, Brown Armstrong CPA's presented a proposal indicating the additional resources needed for FY 2021/2022 will be \$20,000 and for FY 2022/2023 will be \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, the funding has already been approved within the TCAG FY 2022/2023 budget for the FY 2021/222 audit for TCRTA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that TCAG staff is authorized, in consultation with the TCRTA Executive Director, to approve Brown Armstrong CPA's to provide additional resources to complete the FY 2021/2022 audit for TCRTA in the amount of \$20,000.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted upon motion of Member \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_, at a regular meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

## TULARE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Amy Shuklian Chair, TCAG

Ted Smalley Executive Director, TCAG



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Contract No. Proposal

 Vendor Name:
 Brown Armsrong CPA's

 Project:
 Tulare County Regional Transit Agency Technical Proposal for Audit Serivces

 Notice: if this is a new project/task written notice must be given to TCAG and TCTA before sole source

 request can be made

This signed and completed form must be included as an internal attachment with each contract that provides for sole source acquisition of service and must not be more than 3 months older than the authorized signature date. If more space is needed, please attach additional page(s),

**1. Unique Features:** Specify the unique features or characteristics of the service that are requested (if contract value does not exceed \$25,000 additional explanation is not necessary)

**2. Special Needs:** Brown Armstrong CPA's was selected with Resolution No 2021-102 to perform audits for TCRTA. This is to include additional resources necessary to complete the Audit for FY 2021/2022.

**3. Other sources:** Brown Armstrong is already under contract to provide audit services and is familiar with our agencies and services.

**4. Quotes:** Attach three (3) informal quotes for Project/Task costs of \$25,000 or more:

I certify that the above statements are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that neither I, nor my family members, will gain or receive any additional benefit because I have recommended that these services are contracted solely from a designated vendor or contractor.

Submitted By:	Date:
Type Name and Title	
Chair, TCAG	Date:
Type Name	
TCAG	Date:
Type Name and Title	
TCRTA	Date:
Type Name and Title	