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**SUBJECT: CRENSHAW/LAX TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT
INNOVATION THROUGH ALTERNATIVE TECHNICAL
CONCEPTS**

ISSUE

During the board deputy staff briefing on April 12, 2012, a question was raised as to whether there were any provisions in the Crenshaw Design-Build procurement documents that would allow for innovative ideas that the contractors can use to reduce cost.

BACKGROUND

The Crenshaw/LAX project, as authorized by the Board, adopted a design-build project delivery method that allows for efficiency in the final design process to be undertaken by the contractor as part of the design-build contract.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) documents will allow for an Alternative Technical Concept (ATC) process whereby, within certain limitations of a structured process, a proposer is able to include innovative ideas in their response to the RFP. Such innovative ideas may reduce cost or provide other efficiencies, subject to Metro's review and acceptance of an ATC. Proposers will be encouraged to submit ATCs that address one or more elements of the Work that improve aesthetic and functional design of the stations and structures, provide schedule milestone and cost savings, lessen community impacts and traffic interruptions, and/or those that may result in improved operation, maintenance and serviceability of the new Crenshaw/LAX LRT line.

Metro's review of ATCs includes compliance with design criteria and contractual requirements. The contemplated ATC review process allows for discussions with the

proposer, if determined necessary, in accordance with a structured and formal procedure described in the RFP, and permits the proposer to include those ATCs accepted by Metro in the proposer's technical and price proposal. The technical and price proposals will be evaluated to determine the proposals that are responsive and responsible and in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP to determine which proposal provides the best value to Metro.

Metro is currently in a two step process with release of a request for proposals last December 23, 2011. Statement of qualifications was received from interested proposers on March 12, 2012 and evaluation is in progress.

NEXT STEPS

Notify qualified proposers and invite to receive a Request for Proposals.