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**SUBJECT:** 

EXTENSION OF THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (PMA) CONTRACTS NOS. PM022 –

URS CORPORATION AND PM023 – CARTER

**BURGESS INC.** 

## **ISSUE**

To advise the Board of the current status of the Project Management Assistance (PMA) Contracts. The PMA Contracts are currently authorized through December 31, 2001. Staff is in the process of extending these Contracts through February 28, 2002 in order to provide continued needed support to MTA Construction and Engineering Staff. There will be no increase required to the Board approved Contract Value or AFE for this extension period. It is anticipated that Staff will submit a request for additional funding to provide continued PMA support through the end of fiscal year 2002.

## **DISCUSSION**

The MTA Board in May and August 2001 approved the award of PMA Contracts, Nos. PM022 and PM023 and an AFE amount and a Not-To-Exceed contract value of \$1,016,172.

The PMA Contract continues to provide a cost effective means of obtaining a wide range of highly qualified expertise to support periodic needs, which arise on the construction programs. The PMA Contracts are a labor hour contract and there is minimal risk in any extension as the Contractors can only bill for support actually provided.

The two-month extension to the PMA Contracts are required to provide continued specialized technical expertise, such as continued value engineering, cost reduction and claims avoidance studies, and specialized engineering, not available through MTA staff, to support the Major Transit Corridor Projects (Eastside Corridor Light Rail Transit Project, San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Project, Mid-City/Westside Bus Rapid Transit Project) and Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs).

The PMA Contracts remain within the Board approved AFE because of effective and discriminate Project Management oversight and control, therefore additional AFE or Contract Value will not be required for the two-month contract extension.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

None

## **NEXT STEPS**

Staff will extend the PMA Contracts, Nos. PM022 and PM023 within the Board approved AFE and Contract Values. With the expected approval of the Transit Corridors Environmental Documents at the first of the year, it is anticipated staff will return to the Board in January/February to request additional authority and funding to extend PMA support for critical project execution needs through the end of fiscal year 2002.