RESOLUTION NO. 81-82

A RESOLUTION


(Original was framed and presented to Mr. Gonzales.)
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (SDHPT) TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR MEDIAN TRANSITWAY DESIGN AND RELATED DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS ON THE NORTH FREEWAY (IH-45).

WHEREAS, SDHPT has contracted with the firm of Turner, Collie & Braden, Inc., for the rehabilitation study of the North Freeway; and

WHEREAS, the contract was amended in January 1981 under the terms of Resolution No. 80-163 to include additional work to accommodate Metro transitway goals for the North Freeway; and

WHEREAS, a plan has been identified to implement an exclusive high occupancy vehicle transitway in the median within the general limits of the Contraflow project which would also operate during the freeway reconstruction; and

WHEREAS, in order to expedite transitway implementation, it is necessary to amend the agreement to include design of the median transitway and related improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director is authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with SDHPT for median transitway design and related design improvements.

Section 2: The Executive Director is authorized to allocate $4,089,163 from budgeted funds to such agreements with the SDHPT as are necessary to incorporate the additional design work.
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Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 28th day of October, 1981.
APPROVED this 28th day of October, 1981.

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Heraldo H. Acosta
Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

David A. Boggs, Assistant Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis Gardner, Legal Counsel
DECLARING THAT THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY (METRO) IS IN FULL CONCURRENCE WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (SDHPT) APPLICATION TO THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (UMTA) FOR PARTIAL FUNDING OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE NORTH FREEWAY MEDIAN TRANSITWAY.

WHEREAS, the SDHPT and METRO do mutually agree in the positive impacts an UMTA sponsored Contraflow project has had in significantly increasing person movement and transit and vanpool utilization on the North Freeway; and

WHEREAS, the SDHPT and METRO desire to replace the Contraflow project on the North Freeway with an exclusive median transitway due to Contraflow's operational cost and its impact on non-peak traffic level of service; and

WHEREAS, the SDHPT and METRO are seeking to secure joint funding of this median transitway as an incremental part of the North Freeway corridor's improvement program from the Federal Highway Administration and UMTA; and

WHEREAS, the SDHPT is preparing a grant application to UMTA for partial funding of design and construction of the median transitway on the North Freeway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Board is supportive and concurs in the SDHPT application for UMTA partial funding for design and construction of the North Freeway median transitway.
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Section 2: METRO plans to operate such a facility and this median transitway is a vital part of METRO's regional plan.

Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 28th day of October, 1981.
APPROVED this 28th day of October, 1981.

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

David A. Boggs, Assistant Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis Gardner, Legal Counsel
RESOLUTION NO. 81-85

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE (TTI) FOR OPERATIONAL PLANNING OF THE GULF FREEWAY TRANSITWAY AND RELATED FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, TTI has been retained by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (SDHPT) to perform all freeway related operational studies and evaluations since inception of the Gulf Freeway transitway project; and

WHEREAS, TTI has been performing numerous park & ride evaluations in the Gulf Corridor as part of a regional park & ride planning study jointly funded by SDHPT and MTA; and

WHEREAS, SDHPT has endorsed TTI as possessing unique qualifications in performing detailed planning activities that address SDHPT and MTA operational objectives; and

WHEREAS, when completed, this planning work will provide necessary information to the SDHPT and MTA by which subsequent engineering and operations management of the transitway, interchanges, park & ride lots, transit terminals, and related improvements can be implemented in an effective manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director be authorized to negotiate and execute and the Assistant Secretary to attest to a sole source agreement the the Texas Transportation Institute for Operational Planning of the Gulf Freeway transitway and related facility improvements.
Section 2: Maximum compensation shall be $157,376.
Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 28th day of October, 1981.
APPROVED this 28th day of October, 1981.

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

David A. Boggs, Assistant Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis Gardner, Legal Counsel
RESOLUTION NO. 81-86

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER THREE (3) TO THE CONTRACT WITH B. BELL BUILDERS, INC., FOR THE POLK STREET BUS MAINTENANCE FACILITY.

WHEREAS, the MTA entered an agreement with B. Bell Builders, Inc., for "Design, Supply and Delivery only of Electrical Switchgear and Motor Control Centers" for the Polk Street Maintenance Facility on June 11, 1980; and

WHEREAS, additional work is necessary to complete the increased requirements for the motor controls and electrical switchgear panels because of the addition of a Dynamometer and modifications to HVAC in the Maintenance building after the electrical procurement contract was issued.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director be authorized to execute Change Order Number Three (3) to the agreement with B. Bell Builders, Inc., for electrical switchgear and motor control centers for the Polk Street Facility.

Section 2: Amount of this change order is $18,122 increasing the total amount of the original agreement to $119,290.

Section 3: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this 28th day of October, 1981.

APPROVED this 28th day of October, 1981.

ATTEST:

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

Secretary
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APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

David A. Boggs, Assistant
Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis Gardner, Legal Counsel
RESOLUTION NO. 81-87

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING PETITIONING THE CITY OF HOUSTON FOR ABANDONMENT OF SWOPE STREET.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority Polk Street Maintenance Facility abuts on Swope Street; and

WHEREAS, the current status of Swope Street as a public thoroughfare will create major traffic flow problems once the Polk Street Maintenance Facility commences operations (estimated to be January 1, 1982), which problems would create a potentially dangerous situation for the buses and any other traffic which might use that street; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated area of Swope Street is only two (2) blocks long and used, for all practical purposes, only by METRO in connection with the Polk Street Maintenance Facility; and

WHEREAS, the METRO staff has determined that it would be in the best interest of the public for Swope Street to be abandoned; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to petition the City of Houston along with all other owners of real property abutting on the street to be abandoned and receive the City's approval of such abandonment; and

WHEREAS, the City will require payment of the appraised market value of the street by the abutting landowners in order to approve such abandonment.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1: The Executive Director be authorized to petition
the City of Houston for abandonment of Swope Street and to take any
and all other actions deemed necessary by the Executive Director
in furtherance of such petition; provided, however, that the amount
to be paid for the abandonment of Swope Street is subject to the
prior approval of the Board.

Section 2: This resolution shall be effective immediately
upon its passage.

PASSED this 28th day of October, 1981.
APPROVED this 28th day of October, 1981.

Daniel C. Arnold, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

David A. Boggs, Assistant
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Dennis Gardner, Legal Counsel