

TO: MVTA Board

Date: 2-10-09

FROM: Tom Bright/Mike Abegg

SUBJECT: Scoping proposal for bus simulator room build-out @ Burnsville Bus Garage

Requested Action

Approve a contract between Minnesota Valley Transit Authority and Bonestroo to provide a scope of work and cost estimate to renovate/build-out space at the Burnsville Bus Garage to accommodate the installation of the specialized bus driver training simulator being built for MVTA by Realtime Technologies, Inc. as part of the Urban Partnership Agreement (UPA).

Background

As described in the background distributed with the Board packet, MVTA requires the services of an architectural/engineering consultant to provide a scope of work & cost estimate for the build-out/renovation of space at BBG to house the specialized bus driver training simulator being built by Realtime Technologies, Inc.

MVTA sent a Request For Proposal to URS, BWBR and Bonestroo, and representatives from all three consultants attended an informational scoping meeting at BBG with staff from Realtime Technologies. Based on relevant experience, understanding of the project, thoroughness of the proposal, and immediate and projected costs, staff recommends working with Bonestroo on this project. It is assumed that upon future Board approval, and at additional cost, Bonestroo will also provide plans, specifications and a minimal level of project administration for the actual build-out of the simulator space.

URS:	\$5630
BWBR	\$9000
Bonestroo:	\$1640 (to be credited back against future design costs)

Impact

Approving a contract between Minnesota Valley Transit Authority and Bonestroo will provide MVTA with competent architectural/engineering services at a reasonable cost.

Recommendation

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