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**MEETING DATE:** July 25, 2025

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Justin Fornelli, Chief, Program Delivery

**SUBJECT:** Construction and Maintenance Agreement with Riverside County Transportation Commission for the Expansion of the Perris-South Station and Layover Facility

**Issue**

Approval is required to execute the Construction and Maintenance Agreement between the Riverside County Transportation Commission and the Authority for the expansion of the Perris-South Station and Layover Facility.

**Recommendation**

Contracts, Operations, Maintenance, and Safety Committee recommended (4-0) that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute the Construction and Maintenance Agreement between the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the Authority that will provide \$5,794,800 of RCTC funding for Authority support services to the expansion of the Perris-South Station and Layover Facility.

**Strategic Commitment**

This report aligns with the Strategic Business Plan commitment of:

- **Safety is Foundational:** We will stay on the leading edge by deploying new technologies and processes to enhance the safety and security of our riders, our fellow employees, and the communities we serve. The Authority's support to the expansion of the Perris-South Station and Layover Facility will ensure that all work will be undertaken in compliance with Authority safety practices, standards and criteria to maintain safe and reliable operation of the railroad through the facility during expansion construction.

## **Background**

The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), in partnership with the Authority, Caltrans and the City of Perris, is expanding the Perris-South Metrolink Station and Layover Facility to support future increased passenger and service capacity. This station serves as the terminus for the Metrolink 91/Perris Valley Line. Expansion will add a second passenger platform and a new 1100' signalized siding track at the station, platform canopies and additional passenger amenities. The second platform and track will add flexibility and reliability by accommodating two trains simultaneously in the station for boarding and alighting. A fourth track will be constructed at the Perris-South Layover and Maintenance Facility, enhancing operational efficiency and future service levels by increasing overnight train storage capacity.

The project plans and specifications have been reviewed by Authority staff through a prior Cooperative Agreement with RCTC and comply with Authority standards and requirements.

## **Discussion**

The Construction and Maintenance (C&M) Agreement between RCTC and the Authority addresses the roles and responsibilities of both parties through construction of the facility expansion and provides \$5,794,800 of RCTC funding for Authority support services to include Project Management, coordination, procurement of Ticket Vending Devices (TVDs) and Passenger Information Phones (PIPs), execution of signal scope under 49 CFR 246 requirements and provision of railroad operational protection throughout the construction period. RCTC shall provide to the Authority an advanced deposit of \$811,272, being 3 months of Authority support costs, within 45 days of Agreement execution and before Authority shall commence support. Authority shall invoice RCTC quarterly for payment of all expenses incurred and retain the deposit to pay costs through the project life, with support costs for the final quarter then being drawn down against the deposit. Authority support to the project is essential to ensure that all work will be undertaken in compliance with Authority safety practices, standards and criteria to maintain safe and reliable operation of the railroad and passenger services through the station.

The total estimated project cost is \$71.8 million with construction estimated to be \$45.3 million, commence in late 2025 and be completed for operational service in 2027. RCTC has secured construction funding through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), administered by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The project Plans, Specifications and Estimate are complete. RCTC will bid the Project for construction and lead the management of the project.

Upon completion of construction, the Authority will operate and maintain the expanded track infrastructure and signal/communication systems along with the new station TVDs and PIPs. RCTC will operate and maintain the station platforms, associated platform furniture and the station facilities, landscaping and parking.

RCTC's Commission approved execution of the C&M Agreement at their June 11th meeting.

## **Budget Impact**

There is no budgetary impact as a result of this report since this is a Third Party funded Agreement. Cash flow impact will be mitigated by an advance deposit as described in the discussion section.

## **Next Steps**

Upon Board Authorization, the Construction and Maintenance Agreement for the expansion of Perris-South Station and Layover Facility will be executed by both parties.

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