



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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December 13, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to Agreement No. 28052 with PB Farradyne, Inc., for Program Evaluation Services related to the East - West Corridor Bus Speed Improvement Program, to extend the Agreement for one year. (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6)

### DISCUSSION

In 1995, the City of Long Beach received \$5.9 million in grant funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and the County of Los Angeles to fund a series of bus speed improvements on Anaheim Street between the I-710 Freeway and Pacific Coast Highway and other associated intersections. The first phase of the project, completed in 1999, involved various signalization improvements and modifications at the intersections of Pacific Coast Highway at Clark Avenue, Pacific Avenue at Ocean Boulevard, Cherry Avenue at Anaheim Street, and Gardenia Avenue at Anaheim Street.

The second phase of the project, with which PB Farradyne is assisting the City, includes a communications intertie between the City's Traffic Management Center, the Long Beach Transit Operations Center, and City Hall; design of intersection corner "bulb outs" with streetscape features at non-signalized intersections to facilitate buses at five bus stop locations; preparation of traffic signal coordination plans along Anaheim Street and the parallel arterial streets; traffic signal upgrades at five intersections; new traffic signal installations with curb extensions at two intersections; traffic signal modifications at each of the signalized intersections along Anaheim Street for future bus signal priority purposes; a public outreach campaign to ensure these enhancements are accepted by the community; and a project evaluation process, as required by the MTA, to determine the effectiveness of the various improvements.

On January 22, 2002, the City Council authorized an agreement with PB Farradyne, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,596,430, to provide engineering and other related services to implement Phase Two of the East-West Corridor Bus Speed Improvements Project along the Anaheim Street corridor.

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PB Farradyne's tasks are substantially complete, except for the project evaluation process. The installation of the bus signal priority equipment required coordination with two software vendors and the evaluation could not begin until after the completion of construction, which was delayed by changes in the project scope and inclement weather. Since the final task will not be completed before the agreement expires on November 30, 2005, authorization is requested to extend the agreement for one additional year without additional costs.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin on November 30, 2005, and by Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on December 2, 2005.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on December 13, 2005 to avoid a delay in completing the project.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funds to cover the agreement are budgeted in Capital Improvement Project No. PW5240 in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Department of Public Works (PW). The funding sources are two grants from the MTA and the County of Los Angeles. The requested time extension will not result in any project cost increase.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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