



## **DBE/LBE Upcoming Opportunities Overview November 17, 2021**

### **Questions during Open Information Session**

1. Will this presentation be made available?

The presentation is available on our website: <https://www.sfcta.org/about-us/work-with-us>

2. Do your DBE requirements mirror Caltrans?

For procurements where we follow federal procurement requirements, we adhere to Caltrans' DBE program.

3. Are these respective procurements considered in a dark period where we cannot discuss publicly?

We are able to provide a general description about future procurements; however, specifics of a procurement will be disclosed in the final RFP.

4. For your Financial Advisory procurement, will you be considering a P3 (Public-Private Partnership)?

At this time, the Transportation Authority is not considering a P3 agreement for financial advisory services.

5. Does one need the Transportation Authority's LBE if we have a City and County of SF LBE?

No

6. When do you expect the on-calls (other than #1) to be released?

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority (Transportation Authority) Request for Qualifications for On-Call Project Management Oversight (PMO) and General Engineering Consultant Services is expected to be issued in January 2022.



The Treasure Island Mobility Management Agency (TIMMA) Request for Qualifications for On-Call Planning, PMO and General Engineering Consultant Services is expected to be issued in January 2022.

7. Will you share the attendee list (with organization names, at least) for this meeting?

Yes, the registration list is available on our website: <https://www.sfcta.org/about-us/work-with-us>.

8. Are you expecting to be a direct funding recipient from federal infrastructure legislation?

We are exploring many grant opportunities, including the federally-funded infrastructure legislation. This will be determined at a later time.

9. When will On-Call services RFPs (Item 1-3) be released?

The Transportation Authority On-Call Transportation Planning Services was issued on November 10, 2021. Responses are due December 15, 2021.

Transportation Authority On-Call Project Management Oversight and General Engineering Consultant Services is expected to be issued in January 2022.

TIMMA On-Call Planning, Project Management Oversight and General Engineering Consultant Services is expected to be issued in January 2022.

10. On Contracts that have DBE requirements (i.e. the current on-call transportation planning RFQ), do SBE firms count towards the DBE percentage?

The overall contract's goal requires DBE firms certified by the California Unified Certification Program. However, with each task order, we will establish individual task order goals and, depending on funding, a task order may have SBE requirements. Solicitations for individual task orders will include goal requirements and types of acceptable certifications.

11. If you recognize Caltrans DBE, do you also recognize Caltrans SBE?

Unfortunately, those are two different certifications. For federally-funded projects, we are subrecipients and must follow Caltrans' DBE program. For state-funded projects, we can accept Caltrans' DBE and SBE certificates.



12. Do all the DBE firms have to be San Francisco based or will Alameda County DBEs be considered?

DBE firms certified by the Transportation Authority do not need to be San Francisco based. DBE qualification is not geographically dependent.

13. Is your LBE the same as the City and County of San Francisco's Contract Monitoring Division LBE, or are those two different certifications? Are they interchangeable?

The Transportation Authority's LBE certification is separate from San Francisco's LBE certification. We do recognize and accept San Francisco LBE certificates.

14. Do you have a timeline for SFCTA On-Call Project Management Oversight and General Engineering Consultant Services and TIMMA On-Call Planning, Project Management Oversight and General Engineering Consultant Services?

Please see response to question #6.

15. I have certifications with a business license in Sacramento. How can I still be eligible?

A Sacramento-based business without a San Francisco-based office would not qualify as a LBE, but may be eligible as a DBE or SBE. To apply to the Transportation Authority's DBE/LBE Program or obtain information regarding accepted certifications, please visit <https://www.sfcta.org/about-us/work-with-us#panel-disadvantaged-local-business>

16. Can you share your agency DBE annual goal?

We strive to increase our DBE/SBE/LBE participation as much as possible. However, we do not have an agency annual DBE goal. Instead, we establish DBE, SBE, and/or LBE goals for each procurement, depending on funding sources, types of procurements, and available pool of DBE/SBE/LBE providers.

17. Please clarify the Alameda Co certified question: the answer given is NOT consistent with previous SFCTA LBE guidance.

The Transportation Authority's LBE requirements, where applicable, accept the City and County of San Francisco's LBE certificate and Transportation Authority LBE certificate.



### Questions during Planning Breakout Room

1. Please describe the scope of work for the Treasure Island East Bay Transit. Is this actually providing service or planning it?

The procurement is anticipated to be a Request for Information to help TIMMA plan the east bay and on-Island circulator shuttle transit services by understanding the capabilities of potential service providers / operators. The RFI questions are likely to include information about service level options (span, frequency), fare payment, vehicle type, and cost.

2. How do you award task orders through the on-call transportation planning contract?

We typically issue a mini-RFP to the prime consultants on the on-call bench. This is the approach we used for the current on-call.

3. How many contracts do you anticipate awarding through the on-call?

Between 10 and 12 total.

4. Please describe some example projects in the on-call.

Potential projects could include:

- Traffic circulation analysis and demand forecasting and data summaries for a corridor circulation study
- Facilitation services with an equity lens for a neighborhood transportation task force
- Planning services to develop multimodal safety improvement concepts for a neighborhood, or
- Evaluation of development-area transit service options in partnership with SFMTA Transit Division.

5. How do you ensure DBE goals are met through the on-call?

Our on-call contract bench as a whole will be expected to meet the 10% DBE goal. Prime applicants are expected to demonstrate how they could meet that goal. For each individual task order, a specific DBE goal based on the scope of work will be developed and included in the mini-bid process. Respondents to the mini-RFP are expected to demonstrate how they will meet the goal. Our Finance and Administration team tracks the invoicing from DBEs and reports on actual share of work conducted by DBEs for each contract.



### Questions during Capital Projects / Treasure Island Tolling Breakout

1. Will you be looking for Right of Way Advisory Services?

Yes.

2. Will you be looking for Structural Engineering Services?

Yes.

3. Will you be shortlisting as many firms as were shortlisted on the previous contract?

TBD based on qualifications of bidders, but likely 10-12 firms.

4. Will you be looking for Project Management Services?

Yes.

5. Will you be looking for license plate recognition as part of the TI Tolling RFP?

Yes, all tolling systems in the Bay Area use license plate recognition.

6. What will your DBE goal be and how will it be calculated?

DBE goals are calculated following Caltrans DBE Program requirements and vary from contract to contract based on tasks included.

7. When will I-280 Ocean Avenue RFP be released?

December or January.