



**San Francisco
County Transportation
Authority**

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RESOLUTION NO. 26-51

RESOLUTION APPROVING A TWO-YEAR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH HNTB CORPORATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,050,000 FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE EXTENSION BRIDGING STUDY

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Avenue Extension (PAX) is a future rail project, which is planned to grade separate existing at-grade rail crossings of the Caltrain corridor at Mission Bay Drive and 16th Street; and

WHEREAS, In September 2018, through approval of Resolution 19-12, the Transportation Authority Board adopted the 7th Street to Pennsylvania Avenue alignment as the preferred long-term configuration for grade separating the Caltrain corridor to the south of The Portal project; and

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority is serving as lead agency for the planning and conceptual design phases of the PAX project, working in cooperation with Caltrain and other partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, In July 2022, Transportation Authority completed the PAX Project Initiation Study, which developed and evaluated a range of initial design options for the PAX project; and

WHEREAS, In March 2023, through approval of Resolution 23-38, the Transportation Authority Board appropriated \$2,500,000 in Prop K sales tax funds for the PAX Bridging Study, to further advance planning and conceptual design for the PAX project; and

WHEREAS, The initiation of the PAX Bridging Study was deferred for a period of time, in order to allow related projects, including The Portal, to further progress; and

WHEREAS, In October 2025, the Transportation Authority issued a Request for Proposals, seeking consultant services for the PAX Bridging Study; and

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority received six proposals by the due



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date of December 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, In January 2026, a review panel comprised of staff from the Transportation Authority and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency interviewed the four top-ranked firms; and

WHEREAS, Based on the results of this competitive selection process, the review panel recommended a contract award contract to the highest-ranked firm, HNTB Corporation, to provide the requested services; and

WHEREAS, At its March 25, 2026, meeting, the Community Advisory Committee considered and unanimously adopted a motion of support for the staff recommendation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Transportation Authority hereby approves a two-year professional services contract with HNTB Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 for consulting services for the Pennsylvania Avenue Extension Bridging Study; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Director is hereby authorized to negotiate contract payment terms and non-material contract terms and conditions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That for the purposes of this resolution, "non-material" shall mean contract terms and conditions other than provisions related to the overall contract amount, terms of payment, and general scope of services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That notwithstanding the foregoing and any rule or policy of the Transportation Authority to the contrary, the Executive Director is expressly authorized to execute agreements and amendments to agreements that do not cause the total agreement value, as approved herein, to be exceeded and that do not expand the general scope of services.



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The foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority at a regularly scheduled meeting thereof, this 28th day of April 2026, by the following votes:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Dorsey, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, Walton, and Wong (9)

Absent: Chan and Fielder (2)

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 Myrna Melgar Date
 Chair

ATTEST: DocuSigned by:

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 Tilly Chang Date
 Executive Director