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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Michael Kodama, Executive Director
Karen Z. Heit, Deputy Executive Director

DATE: June 10, 2020

SUBJECT: APPROVE FY 2020-2021 PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS FOR LILLIAN BURKENHEIM, ALLYN RIFKIN, WALTER BEAUMONT, DENNIS BROOKS AND TONI PENN

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ISSUE

Eco-Rapid Transit staff requests approval of professional services contract modifications for Lillian Burkenheim, Allyn Rifkin, Walter Beaumont and Dennis Brooks. This extends the contracts for an additional one year term.

Eco-Rapid Transit requests approval of a one-year professional services contract for Toni Penn to serve as Accounting Manager for Eco-Rapid Transit.

BACKGROUND

Eco-Rapid Transit operates with a team of part-time professionals and administrative staff. Most of the work is directly related to current and anticipated projects that will start or are in place during fiscal year 2020-21. The contract modifications would be an amount up to:

Lillian Burkenheim, Community Planning & Development Director	\$18,000
Walter Beaumont, Community Planner	\$18,000
Toni Penn, Accounting Manager	\$12,000
Allyn Rifkin, Transportation Planning/Engineering	\$10,000
Dennis Brooks, Project Manager	\$6,000

Eco-Rapid Transit is fortunate to have the services of these dedicated professionals who have played key roles in the development of the transit corridor. Allyn Rifkin (since 2012), Lillian Burkenheim (2013), Walter Beaumont (2015), Dennis Brooks (2013) and our administrative staff (2009) have quietly helped the JPA for many years, creating this opportunity to turn ideas and a vision into real projects that will benefit our communities for many years to come.



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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Discuss information presented and offer action items; and/or
2. Approve Professional Services Contract Modifications for Lillian Burkenheim, Walter Beaumont, Toni Penn, Allyn Rifkin and Dennis Brooks.



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