



SUBJECT: Single Source Approval – Transit Study

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Transit Department

Report Number: TR-07-17

Wards Affected: All

File Numbers: 465-13, 770-09

Date to Committee: May 1, 2017

Date to Council: May 15, 2017

Recommendation:

Authorize the Manager of Procurement Services to issue a Purchase Order to Jarrett Walker and Associates, 1327 SE Tacoma, Suite 166, Portland, Oregon, USA in the amount of \$127,448 (plus HST) for consulting services associated with the development of the Integrated Transit Mobility Plan.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for staff to single source the procurement of consulting services to Jarrett Walker and Associates for the second phase of development of the City's Integrated Transit Mobility Plan in accordance with the City of Burlington Procurement By-law's section 14.8.

The development of the Integrated Transit Mobility Plan contributes directly to the following strategic goals:

A City that Grows

A City that Moves

A Healthy and Greener City

Background and Discussion:

Jarrett Walker is an international consultant in public transit network design and policy, with over 20 years of experience in projects across North America, Australia, New

Zealand and the UK. He is a well-known innovator in leading the redesign of transit networks and in describing transit issues to the public in understandable terms.

In providing consulting services, Jarrett Walker and Associates specializes in helping transit agencies understand and refine the various kinds of transit service, their different purposes, values and expectations, and build understanding of how such distinctions support clear conversations about transit.

Jarrett Walker and Associates is currently working with staff on the first phase of the Integrated Transit Mobility Plan primarily focusing on data collection, existing system evaluation and service concepts.

The benefits of utilizing the services of Jarrett Walker and Associates include:

- Building upon the momentum, unique approach and service concepts demonstrated by Jarrett Walker in his presentation to the Committee of the Whole and the public at the Inspire Burlington: New Directions in Transportation event at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre in November 2016;
- Development of plans that reflect both community values and technical facts that build an agency's capacity to have clearer conversations in the future;
- A process of building understanding at every step of the planning process including public engagement to help residents, businesses and other stakeholders think about the real choices that transit requires us to make and the difficult choices Transit staff face year-to-year and day-to-day;
- Development of alternatives that will fully consider the concept of linking transit planning to community planning and urban structure;
- A systemic analysis and public engagement approach that promotes the use of public transportation as a means to promote inclusion, resilience and individual freedom; and,
- Informative City Council engagement at a key milestone in the project.

Alignment to the Official Plan - The City's new Official Plan will include a close alignment between transit, active transportation, roads and land use. This will be achieved through the intensification framework, the growth management strategy and the justified frequent transit network. This is an alignment of land use and transportation (in all forms) that is unprecedented in the City's Official Plan. The work that has been done to date in the Official Plan, including the Council workshop with Jarrett Walker, has brought this very close policy alignment together. It is important that this alignment continue through the completion of the Official Plan.

Mobility Hubs - The City's four mobility hubs are priorities for growth to 2031 and beyond. Mobility hubs succeed when the necessary conditions such as frequent transit, density and walk-ability within a connected first mile/last mile community are either

present or planned to be present. The transit work is essential for the mobility hubs, including timing and phasing of transit work, to align with growth planning. Coupled with the Official Plan, the work that Jarrett Walker and Associates will complete creates the conditions for successful development and implementation of the mobility hub plans.

Financial Matters:

The total cost for the second phase of the work proposed for Jarrett Walker and Associates is \$127,448 plus HST.

Total Financial Impact

Not applicable.

Source of Funding

The second phase of the Integrated Transit Mobility Plan will be funded through The Mobility Strategy for Halton (Report PW-03-17/LPS-13-17) and Public Transit Infrastructure Funding (PTIF).

Other Resource Impacts

Not applicable.

Public Engagement Matters:

The Integrated Transit Mobility Plan process will include public engagement at various stages of the project.

Conclusion:

As an international leader in the Transit Planning industry, Jarrett Walker and Associates provide a unique approach and concepts to transit service delivery. A forward thinking approach to the review of the existing transit system is essential given the current state of transit in Burlington, the City's Strategic Plan, the new Official Plan and the importance of transit as Burlington grows bold into the future.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report Approval:

All reports are reviewed and/or approved by Department Director, Director of Finance and Director of Legal. Final approval is by the City Manager.