

January 2019
Item No. 4

ISSUE: Contracts and Expenses

Consent and VOTE: Consider approval of the following expenses in accordance with the MPO's proposed policies and procedures regarding contracts and expenses.

BACKGROUND:

Included on the following page is a list of expenses that exceed the limits set by the MPO's policy and procedures regarding expenditures.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of the contracts and expenses.

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**Expenses for Approval
January - 19**

VENDOR	PURPOSE	NOTES/INFORMATION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT BUDGETED
ESRI	Annual software subscription for ArcGIS	This cost was included in the Computers/Software line item of the MPO budget.	\$5,700	\$51,000

January 2019
Item No. 5

ISSUE: Des Moines Transload Facility Operator

REPORT and VOTE: Consider approval of the preferred operator for the Des Moines Transload Facility.

BACKGROUND:

The MPO issued Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking an operator to develop a rail transload facility in Des Moines with a respondent that has knowledge of, and prior successful experience with, developing and operating rail transload facilities. The deadline for submitting proposals was set for November 6, 2018.

A review committee consisting of representatives from the MPO staff, City of Des Moines, Freight Roundtable, and Greater Des Moines Partnership, interviewed operators on December 13-14, 2018. The Review Committee agreed on a preferred operator and will present their recommendation to the Executive Committee at the January 9, 2018, meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of the Transload Operator Review Committee's recommendation for preferred operator.

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