

**RESOLUTION NO. 35-17**

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission  
on the date of May 4, 2017  
on the motion of Commissioner  
duly seconded by Commissioner

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES TO PREPARE A UNIFIED CORRIDOR INVESTMENT STUDY FOR SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

WHEREAS, Highway 1 and Soquel Ave/Drive are two of the most heavily traveled roadways in Santa Cruz County, are often congested and have safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, Highway 1 serves as the backbone for the movement of people and goods through the majority of the urban area in Santa Cruz County, providing access to schools, commercial, residential, and recreational destinations; and

WHEREAS, Measure D requires an analysis of the rail corridor and its future potential use to better serve Santa Cruz County residents and visitors. Analysis (including environmental and economic analysis) will be performed to answer important community questions about possible future transit and other transportation uses of the corridor through an open, transparent public process; and

WHEREAS, a unified corridor study is needed to evaluate and prioritize transportation investments in the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has awarded the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304 Sustainable Communities planning grant to prepare a Unified Corridor Investment Study that identifies through a scenario analysis the projects that will advance the goals of the project; and

WHEREAS, the RTC's approved FY16/17 budget and work program includes funds for consultant services to prepare a Unified Corridor Investment Study for the Highway 1, Soquel Ave/Drive and the Santa Cruz Branch Rail Line;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THAT:

1. The Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc for an amount up to \$450,000 to prepare the Unified Corridor Investment Study; and
2. The Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and execute amendments to this agreement provided that the amendments are consistent with the RTC's approved budget and work program.
3. The Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract with the second highest ranked consultant team, in the event that negotiations with the highest rank consultant are unsuccessful.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS

NOES: COMMISSIONERS

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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Zach Friend, Chair

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George Dondero, Secretary

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