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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: February 23, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: **Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to Enter into an Agreement with Gillig, LLC., Via State of Virginia Cooperative Agreement E194-81688 to Procure Two 35-Foot Low-Floor Battery Electric Zero Emission Transit Buses, Depot Slow Charger, On-Route Fast Charger and Associated Costs for Installation in the Amount of \$2,460,653**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution

FUNDING: The purchase will be funded by Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Targeted Airshed Grant Program funds and will impact the Transit Services Division Fiscal Year 2020/21 budget. There is no impact to the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: On November 22, 2019, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released a Request for Applications No: EPA-OAR-OAQPS-20-01 for the 2019 Targeted Airshed Grant Program to assist local, state and/or tribal air pollution control agencies to develop plans and conduct projects to reduce air pollution in nonattainment areas that EPA determines are the top five most polluted areas relative to ozone, annual average fine particulate matter (PM2.5), or 24-hours PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The overall goal of the Targeted Airshed Grant Program is to reduce air pollution in the nation's areas with the highest levels of ozone and PM2.5 ambient air concentrations. Western Nevada County is eligible under the Ozone Nonattainment Area category.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB), in coordination with the Transit Services Division and the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District, submitted an application for the proposed project to assist the Transit Services Division in meeting the CARB mandated Innovative Clean Transit Regulation (effective October 1, 2019) for transit agencies to purchase 100 percent zero emissions vehicles beginning in 2026 (for small agencies).

The Transit Services and the Purchasing Division have collaborated to determine the best approach to procure the proposed buses and charging infrastructure and identified a competitively awarded Contract with the State of Virginia (Contract No. E194-81688) which was awarded to Gillig, LLC of Livermore, CA, for battery powered electric buses, charging infrastructure and associated installation.

Purchasing Policy section 4.5(B), allows for purchases to be made from other public agency's competitive solicitations. Therefore, staff is recommending the Board approve a Resolution for the purchase of two 35-foot Low-Floor Battery Electric Zero Emission Transit Buses and all necessary infrastructure charging equipment, including the purchase and installation of

overnight trickle chargers for the bus yard, and overhead on-route fast charging, in the amount of \$2,460,653.

Item Initiated by: Robin Van Valkenburgh, Transit Services Manager

Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Director of Public Works

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