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Action Requested: APPROVE

NAPA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Board Agenda Memo

TO: NVTA Board of Directors

FROM: Danielle Schmitz, Executive Director

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SUBJECT: Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Assessment Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Napa Valley Transportation Authority Board authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to execute NVTA Agreement No. 25-C40 for ADA Assessment Services with MV Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$260,400 over a five-year period.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

NVTA released a Request for Proposals (RFP) on September 11, 2025 for a firm to manage NVTA's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Assessment Services Program, RFP No. 25-R30. NVTA received three qualified proposals.

NVTA selected MV Transportation for their experience and overall value, as well as being local to the North Bay with offices in Santa Rosa. With the award of this contract, MV Transportation will assume all evaluation responsibilities for NVTA's ADA paratransit service, VineGo beginning March 1, 2026. Evaluations for services will continue to be conducted over the phone, as the current contractor has done since 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a fiscal impact? Yes, \$260,400 over a five-year period. The estimated cost per year is in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Estimated Yearly Costs for ADA Assessment Services

Expenditure	Mar 26-Feb 27	Mar 27-Feb 28	Mar 28-Feb 29	Mar 29-Feb 29	Mar 30-Feb 29
Plan				Option Year 1	Option Year 2
ADA Services	\$47,000 (+8,000 start- up costs)	\$48,000	\$50,000	\$53,000	\$54,400
Financing Plan					
TDA	\$55,000	\$48,000	\$50,000	\$53,000	\$54,400

CEQA REQUIREMENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND

NVTA's current Assessment Services contractor is ADARide. The contractor determines eligibility for VineGo paratransit services. ADA paratransit applications are submitted to NVTA staff and are then passed onto the ADA evaluator to conduct a phone interview to determine an applicant's eligibility. The applications are designed to garner as much information as possible from applicants to obtain an understanding of the applicant's inability to use traditional fixed route transit. NVTA uses the ADA assessment services consultant to supplement staff and to ensure efficient, thorough evaluation so that ADA services are dedicated to members of the community that most need them.

The NVTA Board approved a contract award to ADARide on June 22, 2022 to assume all evaluation responsibilities for NVTA's VineGo paratransit service. The contract award for the first three fiscal years totaled approximately \$157,000. The current contract expired on August 31, 2025, at which point NVTA entered into a six-month extension with ADARide for continued services. This contract extension is set to expire on February 28, 2026.

NVTA released an ADA evaluation Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 25-R30 on September 11, 2025. NVTA received three proposals: MV Transportation, ADARide, and Outsource Execs, LLC.

NVTA selected MV Transportation for their technical experience and understanding of the Agency's needs. With the award of this contract, MV Transportation will assume all evaluation responsibilities for NVTA's ADA paratransit assessment service on March 1, 2026.

NVTA will work with MV Transportation to ensure that they are properly onboarded and prepared to take over all evaluation needs. This includes exporting all client data from the current system and transferring over to MV Transportation's system, to ensure that renewal paperwork continues to be mailed to clients as necessary.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could decide not to authorize the award of the ADA Assessment contract to MV Transportation which could result in a lapse or significantly increase wait times to perform ADA evaluations.

If NVTA were to bring the ADA evaluation service in-house it would require NVTA to hire an employee at a higher cost than it would be to contract for services.

COUNTYWIDE PLAN GOALS MET BY THIS PROPOSAL

Goal 1 – Serve the transportation needs of the entire community regardless of age, income, or ability.

Approving this proposal would ensure that seniors and disabled members of the Napa community will continue to receive fair and timely paratransit evaluation services, and would ensure that NVTA's ADA paratransit service, VineGo, is used by those who qualify.

ATTACHMENT(S)

- 1) NVTA Agreement No. 25-C40
- 2) Public Comment and NVTA Staff Response



NAPA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (NVTA)

AGREEMENT NO. 25-C40

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this _____ day of December, 2025 "Effective Date", by and between the Napa Valley Transportation Authority, a joint powers agency under the laws of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "NVTA", and MV Transportation, Inc., a Corporation able to do business in CA, whose mailing address is 2711 N. Haskell Avenue, Suite 1500 LB-2, Dallas, TX, 75204, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR";

RECITALS

WHEREAS, NVTA wishes to obtain specialized services to perform all ADA determination evaluation services to provide communications, data and reporting services through an accessible Registrant Management web platform; and

WHEREAS, NVTA has authorized the NVTA Executive Director to enter into a contract for services at its December 17, 2025 meeting; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR is willing and has been determined to be qualified to provide such specialized services to NVTA under the terms and conditions set forth herein;

TERMS

NOW, THEREFORE, NVTA hereby engages in the services of CONTRACTOR, and CONTRACTOR agrees to serve NVTA in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein:

- 1. **Term of the Agreement**. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date first above written and shall expire three (3) years from the effective date of this agreement with the option to exercise two (2) one-year periods, unless earlier terminated as provided herein, except that the obligations of the parties under "Insurance" and "Indemnification" shall continue in full force and effect after said expiration date or early termination in relation to acts or omissions occurring prior to such dates during the term of the Agreement, and the obligations of CONTRACTOR to NVTA shall also continue after said expiration date or early termination in relation to the obligations prescribed by "Confidentiality," "Taxes," and "Access to Records/Retention)".
- 2. **Scope of Services**. CONTRACTOR shall provide NVTA those services set forth in CONTRACTOR's proposal (EXHIBIT A), attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. EXHIBIT A is provided solely to describe the services to be provided.

Any terms contained in EXHIBIT A that add to, vary or conflict with the terms of this Agreement are null and void.

3. **Compensation**.

- (a) <u>Rates.</u> In consideration of CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of the promised work, NVTA shall pay CONTRACTOR at the rate set forth in EXHIBIT B, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.
- (b) <u>Expenses.</u> Unless explicitly agreed in writing, no direct expenses, including travel or other expenses, will be reimbursed by NVTA.
- (c) <u>Maximum Amount.</u> Notwithstanding subparagraphs (a) and (b), the maximum payments under this Agreement shall be a total of \$260,400 for professional services and expenses; provided, however, that such amounts shall not be construed as guaranteed sums, and compensation shall be based upon services rendered.

4. **Method of Payment**.

- (a) Invoices. All payments for compensation shall be made only upon presentation by CONTRACTOR to NVTA of an itemized billing invoice in a form acceptable to the NVTA Director Administration, Finance and Policy which indicates, at a minimum, CONTRACTOR's name, address, Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number, itemization of the hours worked or, where compensation is on a per-task basis, a description of the tasks completed during the billing period, the person(s) actually performing the services and the position(s) held by such person(s), and the approved hourly or task rate. CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices not more often than every 30 days to NVTA Accounts Payable at 625 Burnell Street, Napa, CA 94559 or electronically to ap@nvta.ca.gov, who after review and approval as to form and content, shall submit the invoice to the NVTA Director Administration, Finance and Policy no later than fifteen (15) calendar days following receipt.
- (b) <u>Legal status.</u> So that NVTA may properly comply with its reporting obligations under federal and state laws pertaining to taxation, if CONTRACTOR is or becomes a corporation during the term of this Agreement, proof that such status is currently recognized by and complies with the laws of both the state of incorporation or organization and the State of California, if different, shall be maintained on file with the Secretary of NVTA's Board of Directors at all times during the term of this Agreement in a form satisfactory to the NVTA Director Administration, Finance and Policy. Such proof should include, but need not be limited to, a copy of any annual or other periodic filings or registrations required by the state of origin or California, the current address for service of process on the corporation or limited liability partnership, and the name of any agent designated for service of process by CONTRACTOR within the State of California.
- 5. **Independent Contractor**. CONTRACTOR shall perform this Agreement as an independent CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR and the officers, agents and employees of CONTRACTOR are not, and shall not be deemed, NVTA employees for any purpose,

including workers' compensation and employee benefits. CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's own risk and expense, determine the method and manner by which duties imposed on CONTRACTOR by this Agreement shall be performed; provided, however, that NVTA may monitor the work performed by CONTRACTOR. NVTA shall not deduct or withhold any amounts whatsoever from the compensation paid to CONTRACTOR, including, but not limited to amounts required to be withheld for state and federal taxes. As between the parties to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for all such payments.

- 6. **Specific Performance**. It is agreed that CONTRACTOR, including the agents or employees of CONTRACTOR, shall be the sole providers of the services required by this Agreement. Because the services to be performed by CONTRACTOR under the terms of this Agreement are of a special, unique, unusual, extraordinary, and intellectual or time-sensitive character which gives them a peculiar value, the loss of which cannot be reasonably or adequately compensated in damages in an action of law, NVTA, in addition to any other rights or remedies which NVTA may possess, shall be entitled to injunctive and other equitable relief to prevent a breach of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR.
- 7. **Insurance**. CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect throughout the term of this Agreement, and thereafter as to matters occurring during the term of this Agreement, the following insurance coverage:
- (a) <u>Workers' Compensation insurance.</u> CONTRACTOR will provide workers' compensation insurance as required by law during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall provide workers' compensation insurance for the performance of any of the CONTRACTOR's duties under this Agreement; including but not limited to, coverage for workers' compensation and employer's liability and a waiver of subrogation, and shall provide NVTA with certification of all such coverage's upon request by NVTA's Risk Manager.
- (b) <u>Liability insurance.</u> CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect during the term of this Agreement the following liability insurance coverage's, issued by a company licensed (admitted) to transact business in the State of California and/or having a A.M. Best rating of A VII or better:
- 1. <u>General Liability.</u> Commercial general liability [CGL] insurance coverage (personal injury and property damage) of not less than ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence, covering liability or claims for any personal injury, including death, to any person and/or damage to the property of any person arising from the acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR or any officer, agent, or employee of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.

- 2. <u>Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions.</u> Professional liability/errors and omissions insurance for all activities of CONTRACTOR arising out of or in connection with this Agreement in an amount not less than ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) per claim.
- 3. <u>Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance.</u> Comprehensive automobile liability insurance (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) on owned, hired, leased and non-owned vehicles used in conjunction with CONTRACTOR's business of not less than ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence.
- Certificates. All insurance coverage's referenced in 7(b), above, shall be (c) evidenced by one or more certificates of coverage or, with the consent of NVTA's Risk Manager, demonstrated by other evidence of coverage acceptable to NVTA's Risk Manager, which shall be filed by CONTRACTOR with NVTA's Deputy Executive Director prior to commencement of performance of any of CONTRACTOR's duties; shall be kept current during the term of this Agreement; shall provide that NVTA shall be given no less than thirty (30) days prior written notice of any non-renewal, cancellation, other termination, or material change, except that only ten (10) days prior written notice shall be required where the cause of non-renewal or cancellation is non-payment of premium; and shall provide that the inclusion of more than one insured shall not operate to impair the rights of one insured against another insured, the coverage afforded applying as though separate policies had been issued to each insured, but the inclusion of more than one insured shall not operate to increase the limits of the company's liability. For the commercial general liability insurance coverage referenced in 7(b)(1) and, where the vehicles are covered by a commercial policy rather than a personal policy, for the comprehensive automobile liability insurance coverage referenced in 7(b)(3) CONTRACTOR shall also file with the evidence of coverage an endorsement from the insurance provider naming NVTA, its officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insureds and waiving subrogation, and the certificate or other evidence of coverage shall provide that if the same policy applies to activities of CONTRACTOR not covered by this Agreement then the limits in the applicable certificate relating to the additional insured coverage of NVTA shall pertain only to liability for activities of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, and that the insurance provided is primary coverage to NVTA with respect to any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by NVTA. The additional insured endorsements for the general liability coverage shall use Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form No. CG 20 09 11 85 or CG 20 10 11 85, or equivalent, including (if used together) CG 2010 10 01 and CG 2037 10 01; but shall not use the following forms: CG 20 10 10 93 or 03 94. Upon request by NVTA's Risk Manager, the CONTRACTOR shall provide or arrange for the insurer to provide within thirty (30) days of the request certified copies of the actual insurance policies or relevant portions thereof.

- (d) <u>Deductibles/Retentions.</u> Any deductibles or self-insured retentions shall be declared to, and be subject to approval by, NVTA's Risk Manager, which approval shall not be denied unless the NVTA's Risk Manager determines that the deductibles or self-insured retentions are unreasonably large in relation to compensation payable under this Agreement and the risks of liability associated with the activities required of CONTRACTOR by this Agreement. At the option of and upon request by NVTA's Risk Manager if it is determined that such deductibles or retentions are unreasonably high, either the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insurance retentions as respect to NVTA, its officers, employees, agents and volunteers or CONTRACTOR shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration and defense expenses.
- 8. Hold Harmless/Defense/Indemnification. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall hold harmless, defend at its own expense, and indemnify NVTA and the officers, agents, employees and volunteers of NVTA from and against any and all liability, claims, losses, damages or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, for personal injury (including death) or damage to property, arising from, pertaining to, or relating to, or relating to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR or its officers, agents, employees, volunteers, Contractors and subcontractors in rendering services under this Agreement, excluding, however, such liability, claims, losses, damages or expenses arising from the sole negligence or willful acts of NVTA or its officers, agents, employees, volunteers, or other consultants or their subconsultants. Each party shall notify the other party immediately in writing of any claim or damage related to activities performed under this Agreement. The parties shall cooperate with each other in the investigation and disposition of any claim arising out of the activities under this Agreement.
- 9. **Employee Character and Fitness**. CONTRACTOR accepts responsibility for determining and approving the character and fitness of its employees (including volunteers, agents or representatives) to provide the services required of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, including completion of a satisfactory criminal/background check and period rechecks to the extent permitted by law. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Paragraph, CONTRACTOR, shall hold NVTA and its officers, agents and employees harmless from any liability for injuries or damages resulting from a breach of this provision or CONTRACTOR's actions in this regard.
- 10. **Termination for Cause**. If either party shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner that party's obligations under this Agreement or otherwise breach this Agreement and fail to cure such failure or breach within 20 days of receipt of written notice from the other party describing the nature of the breach, the non-defaulting party may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement by giving 10 days written notice to the defaulting party in the manner set forth in Paragraph 13 (Notices). NVTA hereby authorizes the NVTA Executive Director to make all decisions and take all actions required under this Paragraph to terminate the Agreement on behalf of NVTA for cause.

- 11. **Termination for Convenience**. This Agreement may be terminated by NVTA for any reason and at any time by giving no less than 60 days written notice of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof. NVTA hereby authorizes the NVTA Executive Director to make all decisions and take all actions required under this Paragraph to terminate the Agreement on behalf of NVTA.
- 12. **Payment of Contractor's Close-Out Costs.** [needs approved language inserted]
- 13. Disposition of Title to and Payment for Work upon Expiration or Termination.
- (a) Upon expiration of this Agreement or earlier termination of Agreement, all finished or unfinished documents and other materials, if any, and all rights therein shall become, at the option of NVTA, the property of and shall be promptly returned to NVTA, although CONTRACTOR may retain a copy of such work for its personal records only. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, any copyrightable or patentable work created by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement shall be deemed a "work made for hire" for purposes of copyright or patent law and only NVTA shall be entitled to claim or apply for the copyright or patent thereof.
- (b) CONTRACTOR shall be entitled to receive compensation for any satisfactory work completed prior to receipt of the notice of termination or commenced prior to receipt of the notice and completed satisfactorily prior to the effective date of the termination; except that CONTRACTOR shall not be relieved of liability to NVTA for damages sustained by NVTA by virtue of any breach of the Agreement by CONTRACTOR whether or not the Agreement expired or was otherwise terminated, and NVTA may withhold any payments not yet made to CONTRACTOR for purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due to NVTA from CONTRACTOR is determined.
- 14. **No Waiver**. The waiver by either party of any breach or violation of any requirement of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any such breach in the future, or of the breach of any other requirement of this Agreement.
- 15. **Notices**. All notices required or authorized by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered in person or by deposit in the United States mail, by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested. Any mailed notice, demand, request, consent, approval or communication that either party desires to give the other party shall be addressed to the other party at the address set forth below. Either party may change its address by notifying the other party of the change of address. Any notice sent by mail in the manner prescribed by this paragraph shall be deemed to have been received on the date noted on the return receipt or five days following the date of deposit, whichever is earlier.

NVTA
Danielle Schmitz

CONTRACTOR MV Transportation, Inc.

Executive Director
625 Burnell Street
Napa, CA. 94559

Dennis Shipman, Senior Vice President 2711 N. Haskell Avenue, Suite 1500 LB-2 Dallas, TX 75204

- 16. Compliance with NVTA Policies on Waste, Harassment, Drug/Alcohol-Free Workplace, and Computer Use. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to comply, and requires its employees and subconsultants to comply, with the following policies, copies of which are on file with the Board Secretary of NVTA and incorporated by reference herein. CONTRACTOR also agrees that it shall not engage in any activities, or permit its officers, agents and employees to do so, during the performance of any of the services required under this Agreement, which would interfere with compliance or induce violation of these policies by NVTA employees or consultants.
- (a) NVTA Policy for Maintaining a Harassment Free Work Environment effective November 18, 2015.
- (b) NVTA Drug and Alcohol Policy adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors on November 18, 2015.
- (c) Napa County Information Technology Use and Security Policy adopted by resolution of the Napa County Board of Supervisors on April 4, 2005. To this end, all employees and subconsultant's of CONTRACTOR whose performance of services under this Agreement requires access to any portion of the NVTA computer network shall sign and have on file with NVTA prior to receiving such access the certification attached to said Policy.
- (d) NVTA System Safety Program Plan adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors on November 18, 2015.
- 17. **Confidentiality**. Confidential information is defined as all information disclosed to CONTRACTOR which relates to NVTA's past, present, and future activities, as well as activities under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall hold all such information as CONTRACTOR may receive, if any, in trust and confidence, except with the prior written approval of NVTA, expressed through its Executive Director. Upon cancellation or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall return to NVTA all written and descriptive matter which contains any such confidential information, except that CONTRACTOR may retain for its files a copy of CONTRACTOR's work product if such product has been made available to the public by NVTA.

18. **No Assignments or Subcontracts**.

(a) A consideration of this Agreement is the personal reputation of CONTRACTOR; therefore, CONTRACTOR shall not assign any interest in this Agreement or subcontract any of the services CONTRACTOR is to perform hereunder without the prior written consent of NVTA, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. The inability of the assignee to provide personnel equivalent in experience, expertise, and numbers to those provided by CONTRACTOR, or to perform any of the remaining

services required under this Agreement within the same time frame required of CONTRACTOR shall be deemed to be reasonable grounds for NVTA to withhold its consent to assignment. For purposes of this subparagraph, the consent of NVTA may be given by its Executive Director.

- (b) <u>Effect of Change in Status.</u> If CONTRACTOR changes its status during the term of this Agreement from or to that of a corporation, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, general partnership, or sole proprietorship, such change in organizational status shall be viewed as an attempted assignment of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR. Failure of CONTRACTOR to obtain approval of such an assignment under this Paragraph shall be viewed as a material breach of this Agreement.
- 19. **Amendment/Modification**. Except as specifically provided herein, this Agreement may be modified or amended only in writing signed by both Parties. Only NVTA, through its Board of Directors in the form of an amendment of this Agreement, may authorize extra and/or changed work beyond the scope of services prescribed by EXHIBIT A. The failure of the CONTRACTOR to secure such authorization in writing in advance of performing any of the extra or changed work shall constitute a waiver of any and all rights to adjustment in the contract price or contract time and no compensation shall be paid for such extra work.

20. Interpretation; Venue.

- (a) <u>Interpretation.</u> The headings used herein are for reference only. The terms of the Agreement are set out in the text under the headings. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California without regard to the choice of law or conflicts.
- (b) <u>Venue</u>. This Agreement is made in Napa County, California. The venue for any legal action in state court filed by either party to this Agreement for the purpose of interpreting or enforcing any provision of this Agreement shall be in the Superior Court of California, County of Napa, a unified court. The venue for any legal action in federal court filed by either party to this Agreement for the purpose of interpreting or enforcing any provision of this Agreement lying within the jurisdiction of the federal courts shall be the Northern District of California. The appropriate venue for arbitration, mediation or similar legal proceedings under this Agreement shall be Napa County, California; however, nothing in this sentence shall obligate either party to submit to mediation or arbitration any dispute arising under this Agreement.
- 21. **Compliance with Laws**. CONTRACTOR shall observe and comply with all currently applicable Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, and codes, including but not limited to the Federal laws contained in Attachment 1, and as amended from time to time. Such laws shall include, but not be limited to, the following, except where prohibited by law:
- (a) <u>Non-Discrimination.</u> During the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR and its subconsultant's shall not deny the benefits thereof to any person

on the basis of sex, race, color, ancestry, religion or religious creed, national origin or ethnic group identification, sexual orientation, marital status, age (over 40), mental disability, physical disability or medical condition (including cancer, HIV and AIDS), nor shall they discriminate unlawfully against any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, race, color, ancestry, religion or religious creed, national origin or ethnic group identification, sexual orientation, marital status, age (over 40), mental disability, physical disability or medical condition (including cancer, HIV and AIDS), or use of family care leave. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the evaluation and treatment of employees and applicants for employment are free of such discrimination or harassment. In addition to the foregoing general obligations, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12900, et seq.), the regulations promulgated there under (Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 7285.0, et seg.), the provisions of Article 9.5, Chapter 1, Part 1, Division 3, Title 2 of the Government Code (sections 11135-11139.5) and any state or local regulations adopted to implement any of the foregoing, as such statutes and regulations may be amended from time to time. To the extent this Agreement subcontracts to CONTRACTOR services or works required of NVTA by the State of California pursuant to Agreement between NVTA and the State, the applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Government Code section 12990 (a) through (f), set forth in Chapter 5 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations are expressly incorporated into this Agreement by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full, and CONTRACTOR and any of its subconsultant's shall give written notice of their obligations there under to labor organizations with which they have collective bargaining or other agreements.

- (b) <u>Documentation of Right to Work.</u> CONTRACTOR agrees to abide by the requirements of the Immigration and Control Reform Act pertaining to assuring that all newly-hired employees of CONTRACTOR performing any services under this Agreement have a legal right to work in the United States of America, that all required documentation of such right to work is inspected, and that INS Form 1-9 (as it may be amended from time to time) is completed and on file for each employee. The CONTRACTOR shall make the required documentation available upon request to NVTA for inspection.
- (c) <u>Inclusion in Subcontracts.</u> To the extent any of the services required of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement are subcontracted to a third party; CONTRACTOR shall include all of the provisions of this Section, and any applicable Federal provisions contained in Attachment 1 in all such subcontracts as obligations of the subconsultant.
- 22. **Taxes**. CONTRACTOR agrees to file federal and state tax returns or applicable withholding documents and to pay all applicable taxes or make all required withholdings on amounts paid pursuant to this Agreement and shall be solely liable and responsible to make such withholdings and/or pay such taxes and other obligations including, without limitation, state and federal income and FICA taxes. CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify and hold NVTA harmless from any liability it may incur to the United States or the State of California because of CONTRACTOR's failure to pay or withhold, when due, all such taxes and obligations. If NVTA is audited for compliance regarding any withholding or

other applicable taxes or amounts, CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish NVTA with proof of payment of taxes or withholdings on those earnings.

- 23. Access to Records/Retention. NVTA, any federal or state grantor agency funding all or part of the compensation payable hereunder, the State Controller, the Comptroller General of the United States, or the duly authorized representatives of any of the above, shall have access to any books, documents, papers and records of CONTRACTOR which are directly pertinent to the subject matter of this Agreement for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts and transcriptions. Except where longer retention is required by any federal or state law, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all required records for at least seven (7) years after NVTA makes final payment for any other work authorized hereunder and all pending matters are closed, whichever is later.
- 24. **Authority to Contract**. CONTRACTOR and NVTA each warrant hereby that they are legally permitted and otherwise have the authority to enter into and perform this Agreement.

25. Conflict of Interest.

- (a) <u>Covenant of No Undisclosed Conflict.</u> The parties to the Agreement acknowledge that they are aware of the provisions of Government Code section 1090, et seq., and section 87100, et seq., relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. CONTRACTOR hereby covenants that it presently has no interest not disclosed to NVTA and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any material manner or degree with the performance of its services or confidentiality obligation hereunder, except as such as NVTA may consent to in writing prior to the acquisition by CONTRACTOR of such conflict. CONTRACTOR further warrants that it is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of NVTA relating to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees that if such financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement, NVTA may terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving written notice without further obligation by NVTA to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Statements of Economic Interest.</u> CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that NVTA has developed and approved a Conflict of Interest Code as required by state law which requires CONTRACTOR to file with the Elections Division of the Napa County Assessor-Clerk Recorder "assuming office", "annual", and "leaving office" Statements of Economic Interest as a "consultant", as defined in section 18701(a)(2) of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, unless the NVTA Executive Director has determined in writing that CONTRACTOR, although holding a "designated" position as a consultant, has been hired to perform a range of duties so limited in scope as to not be required to fully comply with such disclosure obligation. CONTRACTOR agrees to timely comply with all filing obligations for a consultant under NVTA's Conflict of Interest Code unless such a determination is on file on the filing dates for each of the required Statements of Economic Interest.

- 26. **Non-Solicitation of Employees**. Each party agrees not to solicit for employment the employees of the other party who were directly involved in the performance of the services hereunder for the term of this Agreement and a period of six (6) months after termination of this Agreement except with the written permission of the other party, except that nothing in this Paragraph shall preclude NVTA from publishing or otherwise distributing applications and information regarding NVTA job openings where such publication or distribution is directed to the general public.
- 27. **Third Party Beneficiaries**. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to create any rights in third parties and the parties do not intend to create such rights.
- 28. **Attorney's Fees**. If either party commences legal action of any kind or character to either enforce the provisions of this Agreement or to obtain damages for breach thereof, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to all costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in connection with such action.
- 29. **Severability**. If any provision of this Agreement, or any portion thereof, is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, such provision shall be severable and shall not in any way impair the enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement.
- 30. **Entirety of Contract**. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties regarding this Agreement and supersedes all previous agreements, promises, representations, understandings and negotiations, whether written or oral, among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- 31. **Extensions Authorized.** The Executive Director is delegated authority to execute amendments to extend the term of this Agreement, if needed from time to time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF , this Agreement was date first above written.	executed by the parties hereto as of the
"NVTA"	"CONTRACTOR" MV Transportation Inc.
By DANIELLE SCHMITZ, Executive Director	By DENNIS SHIPMAN, Senior Vice President
ATTEST:	
By LAURA SANDERLIN, Board Secretary	By NAME, Title, Signature
Approved as to Form:	
By OSMAN MUFTI, NVTA General Counsel	

ATTACHMENT 1 – FEDERAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

1. AMENDMENTS

Any changes in the activities to be performed under this Agreement shall be incorporated in written amendments, which shall specify the changes in work performed and any adjustments in compensation and schedule. All amendments shall be executed by the NVTA Executive Director or a designated representative and CONTRACTOR. No claim for additional compensation or extension of time shall be recognized unless contained in a duly executed amendment.

2. TERMINATION

Consultant's failure to perform any term or condition of this Agreement as a result of conditions beyond its control such as, but not limited to, war, strikes, fires, floods, acts of God, governmental restrictions, power failures, or damage or destruction of any network facilities or servers, shall not be deemed a breach of this Agreement, and may be cause for termination of the Agreement.

3. RETENTION OF RECORDS

Consultant agrees to keep, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, all records pertaining to the project for audit purposes for a minimum of three (3) years following final payment to Consultant or four (4) years following the fiscal year of the last expenditure under this Agreement, whichever is longer, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Consultant agrees to maintain same until NVTA, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.

4. AUDITS

Consultant agrees to grant NVTA or any agency that provides NVTA with funds for the Project, including but not limited to, the U.S. Department of Transportation, FTA, the Comptroller General of the United States, the State, and their authorized representatives access to Consultant's books and records for the purpose of verifying that funds are properly accounted for and proceeds are expended in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. All documents shall be available for inspection during normal business hours at any time while the Project is underway, and for the retention period specified herein. The Consultant agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

Consultant further agrees to include in all its third-party contracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the Consultant agrees that NVTA, the U.S. Department of Transportation, FTA, the Comptroller General of the United States, the State, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall have access to and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of such subconsultant, during normal business hours, for the term specified above. The term "contract" as used in this clause excludes agreements not exceeding \$25,000.

5. LICENSE TO WORK PRODUCTS (reserved)

6. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/ CIVIL RIGHTS

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 2000d); Section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 6102); Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12132; and 49 U.S.C. § 5332 for federally funded projects, Consultant agrees that it will not, on the grounds of race, religious creed, color, national origin, age, physical disability, or sex, discriminate or permit discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment

7. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE)

The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is the policy of the Napa Valley Transportation Authority to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this bid specification. These requirements apply to all bidders/offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal of $\underline{0}$ percent has been established for this contract. The bidder/offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 49 CFR Part 26 (Attachment 1), to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this contract.

The bidder/offeror will be required to submit the following information:

- (a) the names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract;
- (b) a description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
- (c) the dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating;
- (d) Written documentation of the bidder/offeror's commitment to use a DBE subconsultant whose participation it submits to meet the contract goal;
- (e) Written confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the commitment made under (d); and
- (f) if the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts.

The consultant, subrecipient, or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The consultant shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts. Failure by the consultant to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

The prime consultant agrees to pay each subconsultant under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 15 days from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from NVTA. The prime consultant agrees further to return retainage payments to each subconsultant within thirty days after the subconsultants work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time

frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the NVTA. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontracts.

Failure to comply with the terms of this provision may result in any or all of the following actions including but not limited to:

- 1. A finding of material breach of contract
- 2. Suspension of payment of invoices
- 3. Bringing to the attention of the Department of Transportation any false, fraudulent, or dishonest conduct in connection with the program, so that DOT can take the steps (e.g., referral to the Department of Justice for criminal prosecution, referral to the DOT Inspector General, action under suspension and debarment or Program Fraud and Civil Penalties result) provided in 26.109.

The obligation of the bidder/offeror is to make good faith efforts. The bidder/offeror can demonstrate that it has done so either by meeting the contract goal or documenting good faith efforts. Examples of good faith efforts are found in Appendix A to Part 26. Forms 1 and 2 should be provided as part of the solicitation documents.

8. INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS

In the event that this project is funded by FTA in whole or in part, all contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Consultant shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any NVTA requests which would cause NVTA to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

9. ACCESS REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (Reserved)

10. STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN

Consultant shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency that are contained in the State energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 6321)

11. DEBARMENT

Consultant certifies that neither it nor any of its participants, principals, or subconsultants is or has been debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, as they are defined in 49 CFR Part 29, by any Federal agency or department. Consultant is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by NVTA. If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to NVTA, the

Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR 29, Subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

12. CLEAN AIR AND WATER POLLUTION ACTS

Consultant agrees to comply with the applicable requirements of all standards, orders, or requirements issued under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR Part 15). The Consultant agrees to report each violation to NVTA and understands and agrees that NVTA will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. (2) The Consultant also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

13. LOBBYING

Consultant agrees to comply with the restrictions on the use of federal funds for lobbying activities set forth in 31 U.S.C. § 1352 and 49 CFR Part 20. In addition, in the event the Agreement exceeds \$100,000, Consultant agrees to comply with the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. 1352, as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, P.L. 104-65 and shall file the certification required by 49 CFR Part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award coved by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient. APPENDIX A, 49 CFR PART 20--CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements (To be submitted with each proposal or offer exceeding \$100,000).

14. INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Consultant shall hold harmless, defend at its own expense, and indemnify NVTA and the officers, agents, employees and volunteers of NVTA from any and all liability, claims, losses, damages or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, for personal injury (including death) or damage to property, from claims that to the extent they arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligent acts or omissions of Consultant or its officers, agents, employees, volunteers, consultants and subconsultants in rendering professional services under this Agreement which constitute negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct, excluding, however, such liability, claims, losses, damages or expenses arising from the negligence or willful acts of NVTA

or its officers, agents, employees or volunteers or any third parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties agree that Consultant's obligation to defend the NVTA is solely limited to reimbursing NVTA for its reasonable costs for defending a claim including reasonable attorney's fee, incurred by NVTA which are ultimately determined to be due to Consultant's negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct. Each party shall notify the other party immediately in writing of any claim or damage related to activities performed under this Agreement.

15. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Consultant shall comply with any and all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and requirements of the federal, state or local government, and any agency thereof, including, but not limited to NVTA, the U.S. DOT and FTA, which relate to or in any manner affect the performance of this Agreement. Those law, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and procedural requirements that are imposed on NVTA as a Recipient of federal or state funds are hereby in turn imposed on Consultant (including, but not limited to, 49 CFR Part 18, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments"), and are herein incorporated by this reference and made a part hereof.

16. BUY AMERICA REGULATIONS

Consultant agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49CFR Part 661 which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless steel, iron, and manufactured products used in FTA-funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general wavier. An Offeror must submit to the FTA recipient the appropriate Buy America certification with all proposals on FTA-funded contracts, except those subject to a general wavier. The Buy America Certification may be found on file in the offices of NVTA. Proposals or offers that are not accompanied by a completed Buy America certification must be rejected as nonresponsive. This requirement does not apply to lower tier subconsultants.

17. COMPLIANCE WITH FTA REGULATIONS

Consultant shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between NVTA and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Consultant's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

18. DAVIS-BACON ACT

(a) Minimum wages

(i) All laborers and mechanics employed or working upon the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week, and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account (except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (29 CFR part 3)), the full amount of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment computed at

rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the Consultant and such laborers and mechanics.

Contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under section 1(b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of paragraph (1)(iv) of this section; also, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in 29 CFR Part 5.5(a)(4). Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein: Provided, That the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination and the Davis-Bacon poster (WH-1321) shall be posted at all times by the Consultant and its subconsultants at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.

- (ii)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics, including helpers, which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (1) Except with respect to helpers as defined as 29 CFR 5.2(n)(4), the work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
- (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
- (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination; and
- (4) With respect to helpers as defined in 29 CFR 5.2(n)(4), such a classification prevails in the area in which the work is performed.
- (B) If the consultant and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (C) In the event the consultant, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1)(ii) (B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.
- (iii) Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the consultant shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly cash equivalent thereof.
- (iv) If the consultant does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, the consultant may consider as part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, Provided, That the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the consultant, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the consultant to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.
- (v)(A) The contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification and wage rate and fringe benefits therefore only when the following criteria have been met:
- (1) The work to be performed by the classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination; and
 - (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry; and
- (3) The proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.
- (B) If the consultant and the laborers and mechanics to be employed in the classification (if known), or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, Washington, DC 20210. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

- (C) In the event the consultant, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Administrator for determination. The Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination with 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.
- (D) The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraphs (1)(iv) (B) or (C) of this section, shall be paid to all workers performing work in the classification under this contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

(b) Withholding

The NVTA shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld from the consultant under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime consultant, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, which is held by the same prime consultant, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, Trainees, and helpers, employed by the consultant or any subconsultant the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or under the Housing Act of 1949 in the construction or development of the project), all or part of the wages required by the contract, the NVTA may, after written notice to the consultant, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

(c) Payrolls and basic records

(i) Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the consultant during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the site of the work (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937, or under the Housing Act of 1949, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address, and social security number of each such worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the consultant shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is

financially responsible, and that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records which show the costs anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing such benefits. Consultants employing apprentices or Trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprenticeship programs and certification of trainee programs, the registration of the apprentices and Trainees, and the ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

- (ii)(A) The Consultant shall submit weekly for each week in which any contract work is performed a copy of all payrolls to the NVTA for transmission to the Federal Transit Administration. The payrolls submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR part 5. This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents (Federal Stock Number 029-005-00014-1), U.S. Government printing office, Washington, DC 20402. The prime Consultant is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subconsultants.
- (B) Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the consultant or subconsultant or his or her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:
- (1) That the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under 29 CFR part 5 and that such information is correct and complete;
- (2) That each laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in Regulations, 29 CFR part 3;
- (3) That each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rates and fringe benefits or cash equivalents for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.
- (C) The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph (3)(ii)(B) of this section.
- (D) The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the consultant or subconsultant to civil or criminal prosecution under section 1001 of title 18 and section 231 of title 31 of the United States Code.
- (iii) The consultant or subconsultant shall make the records required under paragraph (3)(i) of this section available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the Federal Transit Administration or the Department of Labor, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the consultant or subconsultant fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the Federal agency may, after written notice to the consultant, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds.

Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

(d) Apprentices and Trainees

(i) Apprentices - Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or with a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, or if a person is employed in his or her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or a State Apprenticeship Agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice. The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeymen on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the consultant as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any worker listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a consultant is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman's hourly rate) specified in the consultants or subconsultants registered program shall be observed. Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeymen hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination. In the event the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or a State Apprenticeship Agency recognized by the Bureau, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the consultant will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

(ii) Trainees - Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, Trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. The ratio of Trainees to journeymen on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training

Administration. Every Trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for the Trainee level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the Trainee program. If the Trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, Trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices. Any employee listed on the payroll at a Trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a Training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any Trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a Training program, the consultant will no longer be permitted to utilize Trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

- (iii) Equal employment opportunity The utilization of apprentices, Trainees and journeymen under this part shall be in conformity with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Executive Order 11246, as amended, and 29 CFR part 30.
- (e) Compliance with Copeland Act requirements: The consultant shall comply with the requirements of 29 CFR part 3, which are incorporated by reference in this contract.
- (f) Subcontracts: The consultant or subconsultant shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses contained in 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1) through (10) and such other clauses as the Federal Transit Administration may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subconsultants to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime consultant shall be responsible for the compliance by any subconsultant or lower tier subconsultant with all the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5.
- (g) Contract termination: debarment A breach of the contract clauses in 29 CFR 5.5 may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a consultant and a subconsultant as provided in 29 CFR 5.12.
- (h) Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act requirements: All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts contained in 29 CFR parts 1, 3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.
- (i) Disputes concerning labor standards: Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of this contract shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR parts 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes

between the consultant (or any of its subconsultants) and the contracting agency, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

(i) Certification of eligibility:

- (i) By entering into this contract, the consultant certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the consultant's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (ii) No part of this contract shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (iii) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U.S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

19 CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

- (a) Overtime requirements: No consultant or subconsultant contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- (b) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages: In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the consultant and any subconsultant responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such consultant and subconsultant shall be liable to the United States for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
- (c) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages: The (write in the name of the grantee) shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the consultant or subconsultant under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime consultant, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime consultant, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such consultant or subconsultant for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
- (d) Subcontracts: The consultant or subconsultant shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subconsultants to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime consultant shall be responsible for compliance by any subconsultant or lower tier

subconsultant with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

20. NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

- (a) Consultant acknowledges and agrees that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to NVTA, Consultant, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.
- (b) The Consultant agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subconsultant who will be subject to its provisions.

21. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACT

- (a) The Consultant acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Consultant certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Consultant further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Consultant to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.
- (b) The Consultant also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under

the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Consultant, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate. (3) The Consultant agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subconsultant who will be subject

22. CARGO PREFERENCE-U.S.FLAG

- (a) Agreement Clauses. "Use of United States-flag vessels:
- (1) Pursuant to Pub. L. 664 (43 U.S.C. 1241(b)) at least 50 percent of any equipment, materials or commodities procured, contracted for or otherwise obtained with funds granted, guaranteed, loaned, or advanced by the U.S. Government under this agreement, and which may be

- transported by ocean vessel, shall be transported on privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels, if available.
- (2) Within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer (through the prime Consultant in the case of subconsultant bills-of-lading).
- (b) Consultant and Subconsultant Clauses. "Use of United States-flag vessels: The consultant agrees-
- (1) To utilize privately owned United States-flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment material, or commodities pursuant to this contract, to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-flag commercial vessels.
- (2) To furnish within 20 days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States. a legible copy of a rated, 'on-board' commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in paragraph (b) (1) of this section to the Contracting Officer (through the prime consultant in the case of subconsultant bills-of-lading).
- (3) To insert the substance of the provisions of this clause in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract.

ATTACHMENT E-1

Local Agency Proposer DBE Commitment (Consultant Contracts)

AGENCY: LOCATION:					
PROJECT DES	CRIPTION:				
CONTRACT G	OAL: \$				
PROPOSAL DA	ATE:				
PROPOSER'S N	NAME:				
WORK ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION OR SERVICES TO BE SUBCONTRACTED	DBE Cert. No. AND EXPIRATION DATE	NAME OF DBEs (Must be certified on the date the proposals are opened - include DBE address and phone number)	PERCENTAGE AMOUNT OF EACH DBE	
	Agency to Complete:		Total Claimed Participation	\$	
Federal Aid Pro	ject Number:				
Federal Share:				%	
Proposal Award	Date:				
	ertifies that the UDBE certification(s) has bee omplete and accurate.	n verified and all			
Print Name Local Agency R	Signature Representative	Date	Signature of Proposer		
(Area Code) Te	lephone Number:		Data	o Codo) Tol. No	
For Caltrai	ns Review:		Date (Are	a Code) Tel. No.	
Print Name Caltrans Distri	Signature ect Local Assistance Engineer	Date	Local Agency Bidder - UDBE Co	ommitment (Rev 3/09)	

EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

CONTRACTOR shall provide NVTA with the following services:

Contractor shall provide ADA determination services and communications and data/reporting through an accessible Registrant management web platform. NVTA will continue to handle non-determination activities such as receiving, scanning, and forwarding applications & renewals.

The Contractor's Registrant management web platform must be able to import NVTA's existing basic information on Registrants. The data can be exported from the current system into Excel and includes basic demographic information on the Registrant as well as information like Evaluation Date, Expiration Date, Disability, VineGO ID, Mobility device, Status (Temporary, Conditional, Unrestricted, or Auto-Renewal a.k.a. Auto-Recertification). Contractor is required to protect highly sensitive personal identifiable information (PII) and provide NVTA with a detailed explanation of how your firm protects client information, as well as what protocols are in place in the event of a data breach.

Contractor is to fulfill the requirements outlined below:

- Employ qualified staff to perform the functional evaluations.
- Make reasonable arrangements to effectively communicate with applicants in languages other than English specifically Spanish and Tagalog, as well as sign language, during interviews.
- Ensure that all application materials (online and paper) including the health care evaluation form are, at minimum, available in English, Spanish and Tagalog. This includes ensuring that recertification materials are mailed to Registrants in the language they have identified as their preferred language.
- Send out the required application materials to Registrants within a minimum of ninety (90) days
 of their paratransit expiration date. This would be either a full application packet or a single-page
 auto-recertification form, depending on the Registrant's certification status. Contractor is
 expected to honor any Registrants with auto-recertification status. All recertification forms must
 be sent in the language identified by the Registrant as their primary/preferred language.
- Ensure that staff is available to provide the services required for determining ADA eligibility, including Spanish-speaking staff members.
- Provide ADA eligibility background information to Registrants during telephone conversations, and based on the applicant's decision to proceed, confirm a phone evaluation date and time.
- Conduct telephone interviews with applicants.
- Make the determination of eligibility for ADA paratransit service. NVTA shall retain the right to make any final determination on eligibility should the Authority deem it necessary.
- Determine whether and under which of the ADA defined eligibility categories an applicant is eligible.
- Determine whether the need exists for a Registrant to travel with a personal care attendant to successfully complete a paratransit trip.

- Identify specific trips, if any, for which a Registrant is ineligible to use paratransit service, e.g., trips for which the Registrant can use fixed-route transit. These Registrants would receive conditional or "trip-by-trip" eligibility.
- Notify NVTA of any certifiable OR un-certifiable Registrants that may benefit from a transit training program.
- Must notify NVTA of determination recommendations within twenty-one (21) days of the evaluation interview.
- Notify NVTA of any new applicant in need of preemptive eligibility prior to final approval of eligibility e.g. medical appointments within 21-day determination period.
- Maintain an ADA Registrant management system and statistical information. The required reports are further described in Section E.
- Produce and mail Registrant VineGo ID cards and VineGo information pamphlet after receiving a Regional Eligibility Database (RED) ID number from NVTA staff.
- Ensure staff who work under this contract are aware of, and sensitive to applicants with disabilities. Contractor's staff must be knowledgeable about medications used to treat a wide variety of disabilities and be qualified to assess functional abilities of individuals with a wide variety of disabilities.
- Complete a reference check and background screening process for all proposed employees and new hires sufficient for the qualification of staff providing services for people with disabilities.
- Become highly familiar with the on-demand and fixed-route networks of the Vine, as well as the local street networks, so as to make the most informed recommendations on eligibility, considering such factors as distance from bus stops, access challenges, etc.
- Have knowledge of and adhere to Federal statutes as it relates to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations.

ADA ELIGIBILITY PROCESS AND ASSESSMENT

The Contractor is required to be available for telephone or video conference interviews during normal business hours, although it is not necessary to have office hours five days a week. Given the expected number of applicants, NVTA feels it is sufficient to be available to conduct interviews a minimum of three days per week, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00PM.

Applicants should be able to schedule an appointment for up to two (2) weeks in advance. The Contractor shall contact each applicant the day before to remind them of the appointment for the interview. Every effort shall be made by the Contractor to accommodate an interview request within the shortest timeframe possible, based on the existing schedule.

To ensure that applicants for ADA paratransit service meet the minimum requirements, there will be a telephone interview for all new applicants. A phone interview shall be required for any re-certifying applicants, who were not already classified as "auto-renewal." Auto-renewal Registrants will receive a one-page recertification form by mail, to be sent out by the Contractor. Once the completed form is received, the Registrant shall be recertified for a period of five (5) years. The goals for the eligibility process are to ensure accessibility to the ADA paratransit program for people who need it to support the use of fixed-route service for people who are able to use it for some or all of their trips, and to provide a fair and equitable process for recommending ADA eligibility.

People shall not be qualified or disqualified based on a specific diagnosis or disability alone. An applicant shall be certified as eligible if, and only if, a person's functional disability prevents the use or navigation of the fixed-route bus system. The goal of the Contractor shall be to ensure that only applicants who meet the eligibility criteria are enrolled for Paratransit Services. Paratransit eligibility shall only be conferred to those individuals whose disability prevents access to or the independent use of accessible fixed-route bus service. The age of a person, a language barrier, or the duration of a particular trip on fixed-route services is not a basis for paratransit eligibility.

The Contractor shall adhere strictly to the paratransit eligibility described above in order to ensure that only applicants who are truly eligible receive paratransit services.

The five (5) major steps in the process for determining an applicant's eligibility shall be:

- 1. Respond to NVTA when ADA applications have been received.
- 2. Arrange for a telephone or video conference interview with applicants.
- 3. Conduct personal interview.
- 4. Make recommendations on ADA eligibility and forward to NVTA for review.
- 5. If approved, print/mail VineGo ID card to Registrant once RED ID number is received by contractor.

ADA APPLICATION, CERTIFICATION, ENROLLMENT, AND DENIAL PROCESS

The United States Department of Transportation final regulations specify that the entire certification process shall be concluded within 21 calendar days of the scheduling of the evaluation interview. If the certification process is not completed within this time limit, the regulations state that the applicant shall be presumed eligible to receive service until the process has been completed. The Contractor is expected to schedule and complete its interviews and reports with enough time available to allow for the notification of the Registrant within the 21- day time limit. The paratransit service application and certification process are:

- 1. All potential applicants will contact either NVTA or Contractor to clarify ADA eligibility criteria and to receive an application, Healthcare form, and/or receive a link to an online application, whichever the Registrant prefers.
- 2. If application is received by NVTA, then NVTA scans and sends completed applications to the Contractor via email. The Contractor will then arrange a telephone interview. The Contractor may be asked to request a copy of a photo as part of the initial application.
- 3. The Contractor shall conduct a confidential interview, with the applicant's privacy protected, at the scheduled time. The interviewer shall ask questions to assess an applicant's ability to use fixed- route services, and obtain any additional information as needed to determine paratransit eligibility. Depending on the Registrant's condition, Registrant could also receive conditional eligibility or temporary eligibility, as well as the eligibility for the applicant to travel with a personal care attendant. In some cases, a third-party caregiver may participate with the applicant in the interview and may assist the applicant with answering questions. The third-party caregiver may or may not be required to provide Registrant background information to be used in the evaluation process.

- 4. The Contractor will complete a form with their recommendation on ADA eligibility and send it to NVTA following the assessment within seven (7) business days. The report documents will include the recommendation forms. The Contractor will be available between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday (or other times as specified by NVTA Staff) to consult by phone with NVTA staff if clarifications are required.
- 5. Denied applicants shall be notified by Contractor in writing via a letter addressed from NVTA. The letter shall provide the Registrant with instructions for appealing the determination. The denied applicants shall also be provided with information informing them of other mobility options available to them. The reasons for denial shall be stated and all information documented during the evaluation process shall be provided. NVTA may contact the Contractor to provide additional information as part of the appeals process. Currently, Registrants have thirty-one (31) days from denial to appeal a denial.

REPORTING AND DATA REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor must upload Registrant profiles and certification information to a web-based Registrant portal daily. NVTA will download any new Registrant profiles (approvals, denials and recertifications) daily and input Registrant information into the Regional Eligibility Database (RED), used by all paratransit operators in the Bay Area. This database feeds into Trapeze, the software used by VineGo dispatchers to schedule rides. It is essential that all Registrants are available to view within the Contractor's web-based portal within one day of a decision being made. This will ensure that Registrants are being inputted to the RED Program and are therefore able to book rides as quickly as possible after approval.

All existing Registrant data must be imported to the Contractor's web-based portal at the beginning of the contract, including any existing classifications (i.e., auto-recert, PCA, etc.). All Registrant data should be available to download at any time from the Contractor's web-based portal, in the form of an Excel document.

NVTA should be able to download complete eligibility reports from a web-based portal.

STAFF REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor is required to have a team of qualified staff who should, collectively, be able to demonstrate knowledge and abilities including but not limited to:

- Familiarity with functional and cognitive abilities required in the use of fixed route transit buses, their prognosis and medications used to treat individuals with a wide range of disabilities.
- Knowledge of ADA paratransit eligibility criteria and service requirements.
- Familiarity with the Vine family of services.
- Sensitivity to people with disabilities, including physical, cognitive and psychiatric disabilities.
- Ability to communicate effectively in person and in writing.
- Ability to communicate in other languages in addition to English, with the assistance of language interpreter services if necessary. Specifically Spanish and Tagalog.

 Staff conducting interviews and performing evaluations should have appropriate experience and professional training in human health and medical fields. Such staff may include, but not be limited to, certified physical therapists, occupational therapists, rehabilitation specialists, orientation and mobility specialists, and professionals with training in cognitive and psychiatric impairments.

MEETINGS

At the start of the new contract, NVTA would like to have an in-person kick-off meeting at NVTA's Bus Maintenance Facility located at 96-101 Sheehy Court Napa, CA 94558. NVTA plans to hold online or phone meetings with the Contractor on an as-needed basis for the purpose of discussing service problems, proposed solutions, and to maintain open and frequent communications. Unless otherwise notified, the Contractor's Project Manager shall attend all meetings. NVTA maintains the right to sit in on interviews to observe the eligibility process.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7550. As required by Government Code section 7550, each document or report prepared by CONTRACTOR for or under the direction of NVTA pursuant to this Agreement shall contain the numbers and dollar amounts of the Agreement and all subcontracts under the Agreement relating to the preparation of the document or written report. The Agreement and subcontract dollar amounts shall be contained in a separate section of the document or written report. If multiple documents or written reports are the subject of the Agreement or subcontracts, the disclosure section may also contain a statement indicating that the total contract amount represents compensation for multiple documents or written report

Response to Public Comment dated November 19, 2025 from ADA Ride

Two main points were raised by ADA Ride in the Public Comment on the ADA Eligibility Contract Recommendation.

1) Service Hours NVTA Staff notes the commentor's understanding that service hours refer to the time spent conducting evaluations. This new contract is structured with a fixed administrative cost and a cost per evaluation, not by service hours. Based on experience from the past three years, staff expect that the number of ADA eligibility evaluations for 2026-2028 will remain at or below the volume of 200 annually. The table below demonstrates that in each of the past three years, the actual number of evaluations - and corresponding service hours - was under budget. Consequently, NVTA staff anticipates that the annual number of evaluations will not exceed 200.

Fiscal Year	Budget for Service Hours for 200 Annual Evaluations	Actual Spending based upon 99 to 156 Annual Evaluations	Yearly Remaining Balance
FY 22-23	\$44,044	\$33,126	\$14,918
FY 23-24	\$48,822	\$39,867	\$8,955
FY 24-25	\$54,002	\$40,179	\$13,824
FY 25-26*	\$55,000		
FY 26-27	\$48,000		
FY 27-28	\$50,000		

^{*}Contract would start in March 2026 and FY 25-26 to 27-28 are from MV proposal

If more evaluations are required in a given year, NVTA will be charged a set per-evaluation fee. If, over five years, the number of evaluations exceed the budget, NVTA staff would go to the Board to approve additional budget. This process applies to all three contractors who bid on the contract, so the 'service hours' are not specific to any contractor.

- 2) **Price** Per the RFP, evaluations were based upon the following factors.
- Understanding of the Work to be done
- Firm, Entity/Individual Background, and Experience with/ Similar Public Entities
- Qualifications of Proposer and Project Staffing
- Cost Rates Value

Costs were one factor, and it was divided between a fixed administrative cost and a cost per evaluation. The ADA Ride proposal was less per evaluation than MV, but higher in the administrative costs per month. If there is a high number of evaluations, then the ADA Ride proposal would cost slightly less per year, but the small cost difference did not outweigh the scores on the other evaluation criteria.