



## **NAPA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY Board Agenda Letter**

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**TO:** Board of Directors  
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**SUBJECT:** Membership into the National Joint Powers Alliance

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) Board approve NVTA's membership in the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA).

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

None

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The NJPA is a national cooperative offering purchasing solutions on behalf of its members. The contract opportunities offer both time and money savings for their members by consolidating the efforts of numerous individually prepared solicitations to one national, cooperatively shared process. Joining the NJPA could provide substantial savings on the cost of future purchases.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No fee to join the NJPA

### **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 AND DISCUSSION**

The NJPA is a national cooperative offering purchasing solutions on behalf of its member agencies, which include government, education, and non-profit agencies nationwide. These cooperative purchasing opportunities leverage the aggregation of volume from members nationwide.

Nearby member organizations include City of Napa, Napa Superior Court, Napa Valley College, Napa Unified School District, Napa County Office of Education, County of Napa, Napa Sanitation District and Justin-Siena High School.

The no fee, lifetime membership could yield substantial savings for anticipated equipment, services, and materials purchases relating to the Vine Transit Maintenance Facility or similar projects NVTa will deliver. Except for a few offerings, nearly all solicitations through the organization meets federal and state procurement requirements.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None