



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 9-B
Action Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: February 16, 2024

Re: Authorization to Execute a Contract Amendment for Construction of the Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the contract with Clark Construction Group, LLC of Bethesda, Maryland for Construction of the Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project, in the amount not to exceed \$1,292,393, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$129,239, for a total amount of \$1,421.632. This will increase the authorization for this contract from \$8,710,439 to a total amount not to exceed \$10,132,071.

Summary:

Rehabilitation efforts at the Fredericksburg Station have required more extensive demolition, repair, and restoration than anticipated following the original site survey, which was completed prior to soliciting bids and beginning construction. A contract amendment is needed to increase the total authorization for this contract to complete the project.

Background:

In 2011, concrete modifications and repairs were performed on both platforms at the Fredericksburg Station. The current length of each platform is approximately 400 feet. South of these platforms are the original platforms, which are not used due to uneven surfaces, cracking, and delamination. The scope of work for the current construction project includes concrete modifications and repairs extending approximately 125 feet to the south of each of the platforms that are presently used, improving the boarding capacity for VRE and Amtrak trains.



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Due to the lengthening of the platforms, an additional stair tower has been added at the southeast corner of the station for a safe passenger egress option that does not require crossing Princess Anne Street at-grade. The project also includes repairs to the adjacent Charles Street and Sophia Street bridges, concrete repairs under the existing station, and new coatings on all surfaces for the station.

On March 20, 2015, the VRE Operations Board approved a request to issue an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for construction of Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation. On May 17, 2022, an IFB was issued, and bids were received on June 28, 2022. In July 2022, following this competitive solicitation process, the Operations Board authorized the CEO to execute a contract with Clark Construction Group, LLC (“Clark”) for the construction of the Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project. Clark was given Notice-to-Proceed with construction in November 2022 and is scheduled to achieve substantial completion in April of this year.

Rehabilitation efforts have required more extensive demolition, repair, and restoration than originally anticipated. The scope of the project and construction efforts have been minimized where possible, but in keeping with the intent of the rehabilitation project, extra demolition, support, repair, and coatings have been needed at each work location, along with corresponding impacts to schedule. Authorization of additional funds will allow for work to be completed, including the extra effort required to accomplish more extensive repairs and restoration, with the least impact to schedule.

Fiscal Impact:

The Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation effort is included as a separate project within VRE’s broader Facilities Asset Management (FAM) program in the current FY2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). These asset management activities are funded through federal 5337 State of Good Repair (SGR) funds with associated state and local matching funds. As the Fredericksburg Station project has evolved, VRE staff have continued to work cooperatively with the Federal Transit Administration to program additional 5337 funds towards the project.

**Virginia Railway Express
Operations Board Resolution**

9B-02-2024

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Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project**

WHEREAS, in July 2022, following a competitive solicitation process, the Operations Board authorized the CEO to execute a contract with Clark Construction Group, LLC for the construction of the Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project; and,

WHEREAS, Clark Construction Group, LLC received Notice-to-Proceed with construction in November 2022; and,

WHEREAS, rehabilitation efforts at the Fredericksburg Station have required more extensive demolition, repair, and restoration than anticipated by the original site survey and design; and,

WHEREAS, in keeping with the intent of the rehabilitation project, extra demolition, support, repair, and coatings have been needed at each work location, along with corresponding impacts to schedule; and,

WHEREAS, VRE and Clark Construction Group, LLC are currently negotiating the amount needed beyond the original contract authorization to complete the project, and VRE estimates that the maximum amount needed will not exceed \$1,292,393, plus 10% contingency for potential remaining unforeseen conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the contract with Clark Construction Group, LLC of Bethesda, Maryland for Construction of the Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation Project, in an amount not to exceed \$1,292,393, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$129,239, for a total amount of \$1,421,632. This will increase the authorization for this contract from \$8,710,439 to a total amount not to exceed \$10,132,071.

Approved this 16th day of February 2024



Ralph Smith
Secretary



Meg Bohmke
Chair