

## **Justification to Extend Transit Security Service with Security Experts and Leaders (SEAL)**

### **Explanation**

Security Experts and Leaders (SEAL) will continue to provide transit security services on a month-to-month basis to RTA until RTA secures either a new contract or a formal agreement for similar services. This extension will continue through May 31, 2025.

On average, RTA pays \$25,872 to SEAL per week for transit security services. This includes services that were added in September 2022 and August 2023 to provide coverage for the transit hubs implemented with New Links and the Canal Street Ferry Terminal, respectively.

### **Calculation**

With this service agreement, the projected total cost to continue services at current levels through May 31, 2024 is approximately \$1,520,033. This is the estimated amount needed for services from June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025, at an average rate of \$25,872/week for 52 weeks. This includes a 3% contingency to help support special events such as Carnival season, public meetings hosted by RTA, and other ad hoc requests for specialized security services. See calculation, below:

$\$22/\text{hr rate} \times 24 \text{ hrs per day} = \$528 \text{ per day} \times 7 \text{ days} = \$3696 \text{ weekly}$

$\$3696 \times 7 \text{ hubs (Willow Barn, Duncan Plaza, Lake Forest, Admin Front Desk, NOLA East, Rear Gate, Money Room)} = \$25,872 \text{ weekly} \times 52 \text{ weeks} = \$1,345,344$

In August 2022, Canal Street service was added at a rate of \$22/hr. Canal Street service is 114 hrs per week  $\times 52 \text{ weeks} = 5,928 \text{ hours} \times \$22/\text{hr} = \$130,416$ .

Total amount estimated from June 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025: \$1,475,760

Including the 3% contingency, we estimate needing \$1,520,033 to cover invoices from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025, approximately 52 weeks.

$\$1,475,760 + 3\% (\$44,272.80) \approx \mathbf{\$1,520,033}$

**Total requested service agreement amount: \$1,520,033**