# What is a Public Private Partnership (P3)?



A P3 is a contractual agreement between a government agency, such as the Arizona Department of Transportation, and a private entity, such as a contractor, that allows the private entity to

have greater participation in the delivery of a transportation project.

## Why P3?



Using traditional project delivery methods, ADOT bears all of the risks and responsibilities for a project. A P3 procurement gives

ADOT more flexibility in managing projects, and encourages innovation from the private entity. The P3 approach for qualified projects has significant benefits.

## **P3 Benefits**



➡ Expedited delivery.



- → Cost certainty.
- → More flexibility in managing projects.
- ➔ Innovation.
- ➔ Competitive bidding.

## **1** PROJECT IDENTIFICATION AND SELECTION

- Determine overall project direction and goal.
- Identify size and scope of project.
- Evaluate and select projects to deliver as P3 projects.

#### DETAILED PROJECT EVALUATION BEGINS

- Gather stakeholder input.
- Refine the project scope.
- Conduct a cost/ benefit analysis.
- Conduct a risk/ cost analysis.
- Establish the type of P3 delivery method, such as Design-Build, Design-Build-Operate-Maintain, or Design-Build-Operate-Maintain-Finance.

# PROCUREMENT PROCESS BEGINS

ADOT generally follows a two-step process for bids: 1) Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and then 2) Request for Proposals (RFP).

- ✓ After the RFQ is issued, respondents are evaluated on their experience with multiple aspects of completing comparable projects. Outside consultants, experts and/or other government agencies assist with evaluations.
- Eligible proposers then receive an RFP.
- A "short list" of qualified-proposer finalists are selected from the list of eligible proposers that submitted an RFP.\*
- The finalists are reviewed and the final Developer team is recommended based on the "best value" bid, determined by factors such as price, qualifications/experience of the team and the team's technical approach.

\*Proposers can identify portions of a proposal or other submission considered to be trade secrets or confidential commercial, financial or proprietary information. This facilitates competitive bidding, innovation and flexibility; encourages proposers to engage in public private partnerships; and ultimately identifies the "best value" bid.

