

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-40

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2006-013B WITH THOMAS BROS. LANDSCAPING INC. TO PROVIDE LANDSCAPING SERVICES AT THE SHAKER SQUARE RAIL LOCATION, AS SPECIFIED, FOR THE 33 MONTH PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,900.00 (GENERAL FUND – RAIL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority has a requirement to obtain a full range of landscaping and turf maintenance services, as specified, at the Shaker Square location from of April 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc., located at 3690 East 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Cleveland, OH 44105 for the furnishing of said services was received on Monday, March 6, 2006, at unit prices resulting in an estimated amount not to exceed \$36,900.00 for the 33 month period; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the bid of Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. to be a responsive bid from a responsible bidder and recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the bid of Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. for providing landscaping services, as specified, at the Shaker Square location from April 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008 be and the same is hereby accepted as the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. for furnishing of landscaping services, as specified, at the Shaker Square location for the 33 month period.

Section 3. That the contract shall be payable out of the General Fund, Rail District Department budget, in an amount not to exceed thirty-six thousand nine hundred & 00/100 dollars (\$36,900.00).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon funding for future years and compliance by the contractor to the Specification and Addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2005-051; bonding and insurance requirements; and all applicable laws relating to the contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects that Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. will attempt to exceed the 18% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: March 21, 2006

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President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority  
**STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS**

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	Date: March 16, 2006
	Initiator: Rail District Department
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- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for the furnishing of a full range of landscaping and turf maintenance services, as specified, for the Shaker Square location for the period of April 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Landscaping and turf maintenance at the Shaker Square rail location is an integral aspect of maintaining the public image of the Authority.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The solicitation was posted on the procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. This contract will be a split award. Twenty (20) companies downloaded the bid package and three (3) bids were received for the Shaker Square portion of the solicitation as follows:

**TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE**

Thomas Bros. Landscaping 3690 East 103 <sup>rd</sup> Street Cleveland, Ohio 44105	\$21,900.00 plus \$15,000.00 for mulch \$36,900.00
Yardmaster, Inc. 1447 North Ridge Rd. Painesville, OH 44077	\$24,300.00 plus \$15,000.00 for mulch \$39,300.00
Wake Forest Garden Center 4583 Lee Road Cleveland, OH 44128	\$33,297.00 plus \$15,000.00 for mulch \$48,297.00

Thomas Bro. Landscaping, Inc. is a 100% DBE Cleveland landscaping firm in business since 1983. Its clients currently include Laketran, Cleveland CMHA and residential areas. Thomas Bros. Landscaping has satisfactorily participated as a DBE subcontractor on previous Authority landscape projects. This will be their first project as a prime contractor.

A cost analysis has been performed and the Procurement Department has determined that the price of Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. is fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0. **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A DBE goal of 18% was established for this procurement. The prime contractor, Thomas Brothers Landscaping, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio is a RTA certified DBE (African – American Male) firm. Thomas Brothers will perform approximately 100% of the base contract work with its own forces.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This procurement will be funded through the RTA General Fund, Rail District Department budget, in an amount not to exceed thirty-six thousand nine hundred & 00/100 dollars (\$36,900.00) for the 33 month period.
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Reject this bid. Rejection of this award would delay procurement of this service and cause the Authority to be without landscaping services at the Shaker Square location.
- 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the bid of Thomas Bros. Landscaping, Inc. be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer to enter into a contract.
- 9.0 **ATTACHMENTS:** None.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.

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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer