

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-219

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2006-100 WITH PROJECT FOR PUBLIC SPACES FOR PROJECT 24P – FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE EAST 120th STREET STATION PLAN AND CONCEPT DESIGN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,880.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, PROGRAMMING AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary to procure consulting services for the East 120th Street Station Plan and Concept Study, as described under Project 24P; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Project For Public Spaces with an office located at 700 Broadway, 4th Floor, New York, New York 10003 to perform said services was received on October 5, 2006 in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, an amount of \$116,880.00 was agreed upon and Project For Public Spaces was determined to be the most technically qualified firm offering to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of Project For Public Spaces, as negotiated, to be in the best interest of the Authority 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 offer of Project For Public Spaces, as negotiated, to perform consulting services under Project 24P – East 120th Street Station Plan and Concept Design be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Project For Public Spaces for the performance of said services.

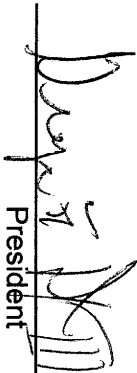
Section 3. That this contract is payable from the Development Fund, Planning & Programming Department budget, including but not limited to NOACA TLCl -07-A (\$93,750), Cleveland Foundation (\$10,000), Case Western Reserve (\$5,000) and 100% Local Match funds (\$8,130) for a total contract price of \$116,880.00 (\$75,000 in Federal funds which represents approximately 64% of the total cost).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda, thereto, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2006-077; 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 Project For Public Spaces to exceed the 10% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: December 19, 2006



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



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	Date: December 14, 2006
Initiator: Programming & Planning Department	

ACTION REQUEST:

Approval Review/Comment Information Only Other _____

1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract to provide Consulting Services for the East 120th Street Station Plan and Concept Design study.

2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** Project 24P is a land use/station area plan to provide the following:

- To define the location of the station, its entry points, head-house, pedestrian paths, and bridges that best serve the residents, businesses and campus.
- To suggest development alternatives that maximize the land use development and transit oriented development opportunities of the surrounding land uses.
- To provide an enhanced pedestrian experience along E. 119 as well as to and from all points of access to the station.
- To organize and rationalize the supply, design and need for off-street parking that enhances walk ability and transit usage while meeting the needs of the residents and businesses.

The study will have four primary deliverables:

- Transit Facility Location Concept Plan
- Station Area Land Use Plan
- E. 119th Street Improvement Plan
- The Parking Strategy

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) is seeking consultant services to complete a Master Planning Study for the E. 120th and Euclid Red Line Rapid Transit Station. The study is a joint partnership between RTA and The Little Italy Redevelopment Corporation with support from the Cleveland Foundation and Case Western Reserve. This Consulting contract will be with the GCRTA.

3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposal was posted on the GCRTA web site and advertised in the local newspapers. Ten (10) prospective proposers downloaded this solicitation. Five proposals were received on October 5, 2006.

These services were solicited through a competitive negotiated procurement, utilizing the Brooks Act procedures. Under this process, the Authority's evaluation panel selects the most technically qualified firms to interview, based on the written proposals received. Interviews are conducted and based on this process the single most technically qualified firm is selected and asked to submit a cost proposal. The Authority then negotiates with that firm. Should the Authority determine that a mutual agreement cannot be reached with the most qualified firm, it may reject that proposal and repeat the process with the next most qualified firm. In this instance negotiations were held with the first ranked firm and an acceptable price was reached. A cost analysis was performed and the Procurement Department has determined the negotiated price to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.

4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 10% DBE goal was established for this procurement. Project for Public Spaces has committed to meet the DBE goal through the utilization of Bemba K. Jones & Associates, Inc. in an amount of at least \$11,633.00.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: That this contract is payable from the Development Fund, Planning & Programming Department Budget, including but not limited to NOACA TLCl-07-A (\$93,750), Cleveland Foundation (\$10,000), Case Western Reserve (\$5,000) and 100% Local Match funds (\$8,130) for a total contract price of \$116,880.00 (\$75,000 in Federal funds which represents approximately 64% of the total cost). This price is approximately 2% above the estimate for this project.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will impact the design schedule for renovation of the East 120th Street Station.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was reviewed by the Board of Trustees Planning and Development Committee at their December 5, 2006 meeting and recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the offer of Project For Public Spaces 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.



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer