

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-10

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2006-141 WITH PARKWORKS, INC. TO MANAGE A SEVEN-MONTH PROGRAM IN BOTH 2007 AND 2008 DESIGNED TO CLEAN UP THE RTA RAIL RIGHT-OF-WAY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$70,000.00 (GENERAL FUND, RAIL DISTRICT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority desires maximizing clean-up opportunities of the areas along the Rapid Transit Lines; and

WHEREAS, Section 306.43 (H)(7) of the Ohio Revised Code states that competitive procedures are not required when the services or supplies are available from a qualified nonprofit agency pursuant to sections 4115.31 to 4115.35 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, ParkWorks, Inc. a private nonprofit organization located at 1422 Euclid Ave, Suite 733, Cleveland, Ohio, has offered to manage a seven-month program in both 2007 and 2008 designed to maximize the clean-up of debris along Rapid Transit Lines by recruiting and supervising volunteers, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for each year for an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 for the designated contract term; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the negotiated offer of ParkWorks, Inc. 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 ParkWorks, Inc., as negotiated, to manage an annual seven-month program designed to maximize clean up opportunities along the Rail Transit Lines be and the same is hereby accepted as being in the best interest of the Authority.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with ParkWorks, Inc. to perform this service.


Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the General Fund, Rail District Department budget, in an amount not to exceed thirty-five thousand & 00/100 dollars in both 2007 and 2008 for a total contract amount not to exceed seventy thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$70,000.00).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent appropriation of funds for future years, compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda thereto, if any, the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2006-77; bonding and insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the greater Cleveland transit Authority's board of Trustees expects that ParkWorks, Inc. will attempt to exceed the 0% DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: January 16, 2007



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



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	Date: January 11, 2007
	Initiator: Rail District Department
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- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to obtain a service provider to manage a seven-month program in both 2007 and 2008 designed to maximize cleaning of debris along Rapid Transit Lines by recruiting and supervising volunteers to perform this service.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** ParkWorks, Inc. is a qualified non-profit organization that works with Court Community Service (CCS) and community volunteers to recruit individuals to clean areas along Rapid Transit Lines. ParkWorks, Inc. staff administers all necessary paperwork, provides on-site supervision of work crews, and provides supplies and equipment. All events are coordinated with RTA staff. Crews work for 31 weeks, from April 2 – October 31, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** Section 306.43 (H) (7) of the Ohio Revised Code states that competitive procedures are not required when the services or supplies are available from a qualified nonprofit agency pursuant to sections 4115.31 to 4115.35 of the Revised Code. ParkWorks, Inc. is a private, non profit 501(c)3 organization. They began in 1977 as Rapid Recovery, a community-driven effort that focused on beautifying the right-of-way along the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Rapid Transit Lines. In a response to wider city needs, it became Clean-Land Ohio in 1981. The transition to ParkWorks, Inc. in 1998 was the result of a similar call to action to focus on the use of urban parks and green spaces as a community development tool. ParkWorks, Inc. obtains funds through private donations, foundations, government grants and project partnerships.

In the past, ParkWorks, Inc. has provided a five-month program for the Authority. Expanding the program to seven months exceeds the small purchase threshold and requires approval by the Board of Trustees.

A cost analysis has been performed and the Procurement Department has determined that the negotiated proposal is fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** The Office of Business Development does not conduct Affirmative Action reviews or establish DBE participation goals on contracts with local non-profit community development organizations where the contract activities serve to promote a larger community-based priority or initiative by supporting the utilization, training, development, and/or rehabilitation of persons from indicated hardship populations such as nonviolent ex-offender programs and socially and economically disadvantaged persons.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement will be funded through the General Fund, Rail District Department budget, in an amount not to exceed thirty-five thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$35,000.00) in both 2007 and 2008 for a total contract amount not to exceed seventy thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$70,000.00). The negotiated price is equal to the budgeted amount for this project.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will leave the Authority's Rail District Department without the ability to economically maintain the right-of-way along its Rapid Transit Lines.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees Operations Committee at their January 9, 2007 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the negotiated offer of ParkWorks, 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.



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer