

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-40

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2006-144 WITH S. A. COMUNALE, INC.
PROJECT NO. 11.54 – AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER INSTALLATION AT THE
CENTRAL RAIL MAINTENANCE FACILITY (CRMF) IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$39,972.00 (RTA CAPITAL FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary to acquire construction services as provided under Project 11.54 – Automatic Sprinkler Installation at CRMF Office and Warehouse to replace the existing sprinkler system; and

WHEREAS, the bid of S.A. Comunale, Inc. located at 2900 Newpark Drive, Barberton, Ohio 44128, was received on February 7, 2007 in the amount of \$39,972.00 to perform said services; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the bid of S.A. Comunale, Inc., to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder for said services 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 S.A. Comunale, Inc. 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 S.A. Comunale, Inc. for Project 11.54 – Automatic Sprinkler Installation at CRMF Office and Warehouse.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Capital Fund, Engineering and Project Development Department budget in the amount of thirty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-two & 00/100 dollars (\$39,972.00).

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 2006-77; 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 S.A. Comunale, Inc. will exceed the 0% DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: March 27, 2007



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2006-144 WITH S.A. COMUNALE, INC. FOR PROJECT NO. 11.54 – AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER INSTALLATION AT THE CENTRAL RAIL MAINTENANCE FACILITY (CRMF) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,972.00 (RTA CAPITAL FUND, ENGINEERING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)	Resolution No.: 2007-40
	Date: March 22, 2007
	Initiator: Engineering and Project Development
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for the installation of a new sprinkler system in the office and warehouse located at the GCRTA Central Rail Maintenance Facility (CRMF) to replace the existing system.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** This project will provide labor, material and equipment for the installation of an Automatic Dry Pipe Sprinkler System. This work includes, but is not limited to system design, piping, couplings, hangers, backflow, sprinklers, and all appurtenances and testing. The work also includes connection of a flow switch on the sprinkler riser at the Rail Headquarters Building. This work is required for the Authority to meet the current fire safety and fire code requirements.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Invitation for Bid was posted on the GCRTA website and advertised in the local newspapers. Six (6) prospective bidders requested packages for this solicitation and three bids were received on February 7, 2007 as follows:

S. A. Comunale, Inc. 2900 Newpark Drive Barberton, Ohio, 44203	\$39,972.00
Mac Mechanical Corp. 1441 Dille Road Euclid, Ohio 41117	\$41,300.00
Steingass Mechanics Contracting 754 N. Progress Drive Medina, Ohio 44256	\$52,000.00

The Basis of Award was to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder. S.A. Comunale, Inc. was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

S.A. Comunale is an Ohio based firm since 1973. Their Fire Protection Division is currently working with the Cleveland Clinic Heart Division, Ohio State University's Thompson Library, and the Cleveland Municipal School District's Franklin Roosevelt Elementary School. They have successfully completed similar projects at the Bingham Building, John Hay High School and the IDEA Center at Playhouse Square.

A price analysis was performed and the Procurement Department determined the bid price to be fair and reasonable.

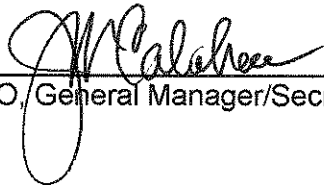
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- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 0% DBE goal was established for this procurement due to the lack of subcontracting opportunity.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement will be funded from the RTA Capital Fund, Engineering and Project Development Department budget in the amount of thirty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-two & 00/100 dollars (\$39,972.00). The price submitted was 8.7% below the Engineer's Estimate of \$43,800.00. The second low bid was less than 1% above the apparent low bid.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this bid. Rejection of all bids would delay the Authority's ability to meet the safety and fire code requirements.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the bid of S.A. Comunale, 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