

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-116

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2008-143B WITH SENIOR TRANSPORTATION CONNECTION OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL PARATRANSIT SERVICE, AS REQUIRED FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS WITH TWO, ONE-YEAR OPTIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,445,040.00 FOR THE BASE TERM AND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$540,473.00 FOR EACH OPTION YEAR FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,525,986.00 (GENERAL FUND, PARATRANSIT DISTRICT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 requires the Authority to provide paratransit service to all individuals who are not able to use fixed route bus or train service due to a disability and are within  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile of a fixed route; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County located at 323 Lakeside Avenue West, Suite 400, Cleveland, Ohio 44113 to provide supplemental paratransit services was received on June 17, 2008 for a period of three years with two, one-year options; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County, after negotiations, to provide supplemental paratransit service for a period of three years with two, one-year options, to be advantageous to 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 proposal of Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County, as modified by negotiations, to provide supplemental paratransit service, as required, for a period of three years with two (2) one-year options, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County to provide supplemental paratransit service, as required, for a period of three years with two, one-year options.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable out of the General Fund, Paratransit District Department budget in an amount not to exceed one million four hundred forty-five thousand forty & 00/100 dollars (\$1,445,040.00) for the base three years and in an amount not to exceed five hundred forty thousand four hundred seventy-three 00/100 dollars (\$540,473.00) for each option year for a total contract amount not to exceed two million five hundred twenty-five thousand nine hundred eighty-six 00/100 dollars (\$2,525,986.00).


Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon appropriation of funds for future years; compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2008-061; bonding and insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County will attempt to exceed the 20% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: August 19, 2008

  
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President

Attest:   
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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



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

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	<b>Date:</b> August 14, 2008
	<b>Initiator:</b> Paratransit District Department
<b>ACTION REQUEST:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract to provide supplemental paratransit service for a period of three years with two, one-year options.
  
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** In order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 the Authority must provide paratransit service to all eligible individuals. Eligibility for paratransit service is determined by the Authority in accordance with established FTA and ADA guidelines. The Authority is currently not able to meet the demand for service with the existing resources necessitating that additional support is obtained for this service. The project manager anticipates that a multiple award might be necessary in order to increase the Authority's flexibility and to have back up service to assist in meeting demand.
  
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposal was posted on the procurement website and advertised in the local newspapers. Twenty-one (21) prospective proposers downloaded the solicitation and six (6) responded on June 17, 2008. After evaluation by a panel of Authority employees in accordance with established Procurement Department policies and procedures, the evaluation panel determined that a multiple award would be in the best interest of the Authority. The proposal of Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County to provide supplemental paratransit service was determined to be one of the most advantageous to the Authority. After negotiations, an amount not to exceed \$1,445,040.00 for the base term was agreed upon. It is anticipated that Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County will provide approximately 13.5% of the supplemental service, as required. The balance of the required service will be awarded under a separate resolution.

Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County (STC) is a non-profit organization incorporated in 2005. STC was created to become the centralized coordinating unit for senior transportation service in Cuyahoga County. Other clients include, City of Middleburg Heights, City of Maple Heights, Cuyahoga County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MRDD).

A cost/price analysis was performed and the Procurement Department has determined the negotiated rates to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 20% DBE goal has been established for this procurement. Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County has committed to achieving the goal through the utilization of City News Ohio (African American owned) in the amount of \$505,197 or 20%.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The contract will be funded through the General Fund, Paratransit District Department budget in an amount not to exceed one million four hundred forty-five thousand forty & 00/100 dollars (\$1,445,040.00) for the base three years and in an amount not to exceed five hundred forty thousand, four hundred seventy-three & 00/100 dollars (\$540,473.00) for each option year for a total contract amount not to exceed two million five hundred twenty-five thousand nine hundred eighty-six & 00/100dollars (\$2,525,986.00).
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would limit the Authority's ability to provide paratransit service to many eligible individuals and cause the Authority to be non-compliant with ADA requirements.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed at the August 5, 2008 Operations Committee Meeting. It is recommended that the offer of Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County 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