

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-20

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2011-012 WITH TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION FOR PROJECT 23V3 – ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE SEVEN GRADE CROSSING ON THE LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$162,777.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary to procure A/E services for the rehabilitation of the seven grade crossings on the Light Rail System, as described under Project 23V3; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of TranSystems Corporation with offices located at 55 Public Square, Suite 1900, Cleveland, Ohio 44113 to perform said services was received on February 16, 2011 in response to a request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, an amount of one hundred sixty-two thousand seven hundred seventy-seven & 00/100 dollars (\$162,777.00) was agreed upon and TranSystems Corporation was determined to be the most technically qualified firm offering to perform said services; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of TranSystems Corporation, 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 TranSystems Corporation, as negotiated, to perform said services under Project 23V3- A/E Services for the Rehabilitation of the Seven Grade Crossings on the Light Rail System, 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 TranSystems Corporation for the performance of said services.


Section 3. Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-05-0101 in the amount of \$40,000.00, and Capital Grant OH-90-X705 in the amount of \$122,777.00 for a total amount of \$162,777.00 (\$130,221.60 in Federal Funds which represents 80% of the total cost). The award of this contract is based on initially using available 100% Local Funds which will be replaced by grant funding when the 2010 Rail and Urban Grant Amendments, which are currently under review by FTA, have been approved.

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 2010-028; 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 TransSystems will attempt to exceed the minimum 5% DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: March 22, 2011



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION:		Resolution No.: 2011-20
NAME:	ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE SEVEN GRADE CROSSINGS ON THE LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM	Date: March 17, 2011
VENDOR:	TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development
AMOUNT:	\$162,777.00	
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 Project 23V3 – A/E Services for the Rehabilitation of the Seven Grade Crossings on the Light Rail System.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This project is for A/E Services for the Rehabilitation of the Seven Grade Crossings on the LRS. TranSystems Corporation will provide professional engineering services resulting in a comprehensive rehabilitation plan, construction documents, and construction support services with high priority on public safety and minimum impact on GCRTA customer service.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: A Request for Proposal was posted on the GCRTA procurement website and advertised in the local newspapers. Solicitations were downloaded from the web site by approximately thirty-two (32) prospective proposers. Four (4) technical proposals were received on February 16, 2011.

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 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 could not 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 5% DBE goal has been established for this procurement. TranSystems Corporation of Ohio has committed to achieving 5% DBE participation through the utilization of G & T Associates, Inc. (an Asian-owned company) in the amount of \$8,154 or 5%.

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- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-05-0101, Line Item 12.21.03 in the amount of \$40,000.00, and Capital Grant OH-90-X705, Line Item 12.21.03 in the amount of \$122,777.00 for a total amount of \$162,777.00 (\$130,221.60 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost). The award of this contract is based on initially using available 100% Local Funds which will be replaced by grant funding when the 2010 Rail and Urban Grant Amendments, which are currently under review by FTA, have been approved.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will impact the Authority's goal to rehabilitate this vital portion of our rail system and avoid future negative impacts on the transit system.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This contract will be reviewed by the Committee of the Whole at their March 22, 2011 meeting. It is recommended that the offer of TranSystems Corporation 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