

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-26

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2013-200 WITH TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION OF OHIO FOR PROJECT 23V5 – ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF NINE (9) GRADE CROSSINGS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$546,394.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority requires professional engineering services for design and construction support for the reconstruction of nine (9) grade crossings located on the former Shaker Line now known as the Light Rail System in Cleveland and Shaker Heights, and on the Waterfront Line in the section of Cleveland known as the Flats East Bank; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio with an office located at 55 Public Square, Suite 1900, Cleveland, Ohio 44113, to perform said services was received on December 12, 2013, in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, TranSystems Corporation of Ohio has agreed to perform the required services for the negotiated labor rates to be used in an amount not to exceed \$546,394.00; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio to be the most advantageous to the Authority and finds the negotiated price to be fair and reasonable 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 negotiated offer of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio to provide engineering services under Project 23V5– Engineering Services for the Rehabilitation of the Nine (9) Grade Crossings 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 TranSystems Corporation of Ohio for the performance of said services.

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-05-0105, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$546,394.00 (\$437,115.20 in Federal Funds which represents 80% of the total cost).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon future funding, compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda, thereto, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2013-31; 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 TranSystems Corporation of Ohio will attempt to exceed the 15% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

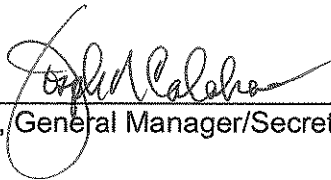
Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: March 18, 2014



President

Attest:



CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: PROJECT 23V5 – ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR REHAB OF NINE (9) GRADE CROSSINGS VENDOR: TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION OF OHIO AMOUNT: \$546,394.00	Resolution No.: 2014-26
	Date: March 14, 2014
	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval Review/Comment Information Only Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for Project 23V5 - Engineering Services for Rehabilitation of Nine (9) Grade Crossings.

- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Authority requires services to provide professional engineering services for design and construction support for the reconstruction of nine (9) grade crossings. The grade crossings are located on the former Shaker Line now known as the Light Rail System in Cleveland and Shaker Heights and on the Waterfront Line in the section of Cleveland known as the Flats East Bank.

- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposal (RFP) was posted on the GCRTA Procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. These services were solicited through a competitive negotiated procurement, utilizing the Brooks Act Procedures. Under this process, the Authority’s evaluation panel first selects the most technically qualified firm, solicits a pricing proposal from that firm and negotiates only with that firm. Should the Authority determine that an 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.

 TranSystems Corporation of Ohio, with an office located at 55 Public Square, Suite 1900, Cleveland, Ohio 44113, has successfully completed a number of grade crossing design projects for the Greater Cleveland RTA, Massachusetts Highway Department, MWRA/Fore River Railroad Corporation, Vermont Agency of Transportation and New Hampshire Northcoast Corporation.

- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 15% DBE participation goal was established for this procurement. Transystems Corporation of Ohio has committed to achieving the required DBE participation through the utilization of KS Associated (Female owned) in the amount of \$76,390 and Denise Flagging (African American Female owned) in the amount of \$10,100 for a total of \$84,490 or 15.8%.

- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply.

- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This procurement shall be payable through the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to, Capital Grant OH-05-0105, Line item 12.21.03 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$546,394.00 (\$437,115.20 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost).

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will create a situation of unsafe grade crossings along several miles of the GCRTA system.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This project was discussed at the March 4, 2014 Planning and Development Committee meeting. It is recommended that the offer of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio 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