RESOLUTION NO. 2015-2

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2014-152 WITH CHA CONSULTING, INC. FOR PROJECT 24T – ARCHITECT/ENGINEER SERVICES FOR LEE-SHAKER STATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$160,000.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority has the need to contract with a firm to provide engineering services for Lee-Shaker Station, as described under Project 24T; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of CHA Consulting, Inc. with an office located at 1501 North Marginal Road, Suite 200, Cleveland, Ohio 44114, to perform said services, was received on November 12, 2014, in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, CHA Consulting, Inc. has agreed to perform the required services in an amount not to exceed one hundred sixty thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$160,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of CHA Consulting, Inc. to be the most advantageous to the Authority and recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

NOW, THERFORE, 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 CHA Consulting, Inc. to provide engineering services under Project 24T Architect/Engineer Services for Lee-Shaker Station 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 CHA Consulting, Inc. for the performance of said services.
- Section 3. That said contact shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-05-0105 in the amount of \$50,000.00 and Grant OH-90-X782 in the amount of \$110,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$160,000.00 (\$128,000.00 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.

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Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects that CHA Consulting, Inc. 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: January 20, 2015

President

Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasure

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:		Resolution No.:
CONTRACT	PROJECT 24T ARCHITECT/ENGINEER SERVICES FOR LEE-SHAKER STATION	2015-2 Date:
VENDOR:	CHA CONSULTING, INC.	January 15, 2015
AMOUNT:	NOT TO EXCEED \$160,000.00	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development
ACTION REQUEST:		
	☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for Project 24T Architect/Engineer Services for Lee-Shaker Station.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The Authority requires professional engineering services for design and construction support for the reconstruction of the Lee-Shaker Station on the Green Line.
- 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.

CHA Consulting, Inc. and sub-consultants have successfully completed projects for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Metro-North Railroad, City of Cleveland, Ohio Department of Transportation, New York State Department of Transportation and Connecticut State Department of Transportation.

A cost analysis was performed, and the Procurement Department has determined the negotiated rates for each task to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 15% DBE goal was established for this procurement. CHA Consulting, Inc. has committed to achieving this goal through the utilization of KS Associates (Female-owned) in the amount of \$13,332 and Somat Engineering (Asian-owned) in the amount of \$11,644 for a total of \$24,976 or 15.6%.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

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- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-05-0105, Line Item 12.7A.00, in the amount of \$50,000.00 and Capital Grant OH-90-X782, Line Item 12.31.02, in the amount of \$110,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$160,000.00 (\$128,000.00 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost). This amount is approximately 5.7% below the Engineer's Estimate of \$169,080.00.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: <u>Reject this offer.</u> Rejection of this offer will allow for the further degradation of the Lee-Shaker Station.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This contract was discussed by the Planning and Development Committee at their January 20, 2015 meeting. It is recommended that the offer of CHA Consulting, 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.

CED, Gerleral Manager/Secretary-Treasurer