

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-38

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2017-150 WITH LTK CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., DBA LTK ENGINEERING SERVICES TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR RAIL CAR EVALUATION FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority's current rail car fleets, consisting of 40 HRV Tokyu cars and 34 LRV Breda cars, are both over 30 years old and the Authority requires consulting services for rail car evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services, located at 100 West Butler Avenue, Ambler, PA 19002 to provide consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year, was received on December 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, the proposal of LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services to provide consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, was determined to be the most advantageous to the Authority, cost and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the negotiated offer of LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services to provide consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year 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 LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services as negotiated, to provide consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services, to provide consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Fleet Management Department budget, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 for a period of one year.

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, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution No. 2015-76; 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 that LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services will attempt to exceed the 0% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: May 15, 2018

  
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President

Attest:   
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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



<b>TITLE/DESCRIPTION:</b> <b>CONTRACT: CONSULTING SERVICES FOR RAIL CAR EVALUATION</b>  <b>VENDOR: LTK CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. dba LTK ENGINEERING SERVICES</b>  <b>AMOUNT: NTE \$400,000</b>	<b>Resolution No.:</b> 2018-38
	<b>Date:</b> May 10, 2018
	<b>Initiator:</b> Fleet Management 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 for consulting services for rail car evaluation for a period of one year.
  
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Authority's current rail car fleets, which consist of 40 HRV Tokyu cars and 34 LRV Breda cars, are both over 30 years old. The rail car evaluation firm will provide expert analysis and recommendations to inform a decision whether to purchase new and/or to rehabilitate one or both of GCRTA's current rail car fleets in order to gain an additional 10 to 30 years of useful life from each fleet. The firm will determine the estimated remaining life for each fleet, assuming the existing maintenance and operation continues without change. In order to maintain the fleets until decisions are made, the consultant will also provide recommendations for upgrades that are needed to add approximately 10 years of useful life to each fleet.
  
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposals ("RFP") was posted on the procurement website and advertised in the local newspapers. Four proposals were received on December 20, 2017 in response to this solicitation. After evaluation by a panel of Authority employees in accordance with established Procurement Department policies and procedures, interviews and requests for clarifications, the negotiated proposal of LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services to provide consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 for rail car evaluation, was selected as most advantageous to the Authority, cost and all other factors considered.  
  
 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 0% DBE participation goal was established for this procurement due to the lack of certified DBE firms.
  
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply.
  
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This contract will be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Fleet Management Department budget, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 for a period of one year. During negotiations, it was determined that the scope of work needed to be reduced, which resulted in the negotiated price being more than 75% below the budget estimate for the one year period.
  
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would impact the reliability and service quality of GCRTA's rail service.

- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the offer of LTK Consulting Services, Inc., dba LTK Engineering Services, as negotiated, be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the CEO, 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