

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-46

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2020-197 WITH HARDESTY & HANOVER, LLC FOR PROJECT 27Z – ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WATERFRONT LINE BRIDGE REHABILITATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,468,163.84 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, The Authority requires task order inspection services for construction inspection and construction management support services; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Hardesty & Hanover, LLC, with an office located at 1915 MN-36 Suite 115, Roseville, MN 55113, to perform said services was received on January 29, 2021 in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, Hardesty & Hanover, LLC has agreed to perform the required services in an amount not to exceed \$1,468,163.84; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the offer of Hardesty & Hanover, LLC to be the most 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 negotiated offer of Hardesty & Hanover, LLC to provide services under Project 27Z – Engineering Services for the Waterfront Line Bridge Rehabilitation be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer of the Authority be and she is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Hardesty & Hanover, LLC for the performance of said services.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable through the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to 100% Local funds, in an amount not to exceed \$1,468,163.84.

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; 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 Hardesty & Hanover, LLC will attempt to exceed the 5% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: May 25, 2021



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: PROJECT 27Z ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WATERFRONT LINE BRIDGE REHABILITATION VENDOR: HARDESTY & HANOVER, LLC AMOUNT: NTE \$1,468,163.84	Resolution No.: 2021-46
	Date: May 20, 2021
	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development
ACTION REQUEST: <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 Project 27Z – Engineering Services for the Waterfront Line Bridge Rehabilitation.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Waterfront Line Bridge carries two GCRTA light rail train tracks over the New York – Chicago main lines of Norfolk Southern and Front Avenue. The bridge segments have developed multiple structural shear cracks at various locations throughout the structure requiring rehabilitation to reinstate the remaining useful life.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposals (“RFP”) was posted on the GCRTA Procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. Thirty-eight interested parties, including potential subcontractors, downloaded the solicitation package. 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 price 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 Hardesty & Hanover, LLC, the first ranked firm, and an acceptable price was reached.
- Hardesty & Hanover, LLC has successfully completed projects for the Norfolk County Council in England, Michigan DOT, Amtrak, and Florida DOT, among others.
- The Procurement Department performed a cost analysis and determined the proposed pricing from Hardesty & Hanover, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,468,163.84 to be fair and reasonable to the Authority. This negotiated price is 12.5% above the Independent Engineer’s Estimate of \$1,305,068.00.
- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 5% DBE goal was established for this procurement. Hardesty & Hanover, LLC has committed to achieving the DBE participation goal through the utilization of the following DBE firms: 2LMN, Inc. (Asian-owned) in the amount of \$22,833.00, G&T Associates, Inc. (Asian Indian-owned) in the amount of \$28,918.00 and National Engineering & Architectural Services Inc. (Subcontinent Asian-owned) in the amount of \$134,483.00 for a total amount of \$186,234.00 or 12.68%.
- 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 100% Local funds, in an amount not to exceed \$1,468,163.84.

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer could prevent the Authority from use of the Waterfront Line due to the continued deterioration of this asset.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the May 11, 2021 Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the offer from Hardesty & Hanover, LLC be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 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.



General Manager, Chief Executive Officer