

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-85

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2021-085 WITH THE OSBORN ENGINEERING COMPANY FOR PROJECT 19.10 – ON-CALL BRIDGE ENGINEERING SERVICES II IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00, (RTA CAPITAL AND/OR DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, The Authority requires task order bridge engineering services to supplement staff with expertise in inspection, evaluation, and design of highway and railroad bridges; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of The Osborn Engineering Company, with an office located at 1100 Superior Avenue, Suite 300, Cleveland, OH 44114, to perform said services, was received on July 8, 2021 in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, The Osborn Engineering Company has agreed to perform the required services for the negotiated labor rates in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the offer of The Osborn Engineering Company 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 The Osborn Engineering Company to provide services under Project 19.10 – On-Call Bridge Engineering Services II 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 The Osborn Engineering Company for the performance of said services for a period of 24 months.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable through the RTA Capital and/or Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to 100% local funds and FTA grant funds to be determined, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months.

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, 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 The Osborn Engineering Company will attempt to exceed the 4% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: September 28, 2021



President

Attest:



Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: PROJECT 19.10 ON-CALL BRIDGE ENGINEERING SERVICES II VENDOR: THE OSBORN ENGINEERING COMPANY AMOUNT: NTE \$300,000.00	Resolution No.: 2021-85
	Date: September 23, 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 19.10 – On-Call Bridge Engineering Services II for a period of 24 months.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This project is to obtain professional services to perform bridge engineering support. The services will be authorized by task order on an as needed basis.
- 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 The Osborn Engineering Company the first ranked firm, and an acceptable price was reached.
- The Osborn Engineering Company has successfully completed projects for the Cleveland State University, the City of Akron, NASA, and ODOT, among others.
- The Procurement Department performed a price analysis and determined the proposed pricing to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.
- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. Osborn Engineering has committed to achieve the 4% DBE participation goal established for this procurement, which is equivalent to \$12,000.00, and has agreed to utilize the following certified DBE firms: Denise's Flagging (Female-owned), American Roadway Logistics (Female-owned), Barr Engineering (Asian-owned), Lawhon & Associates (Female-owned), and Somat (Asian-owned) in amounts that will be a function of the specific nature of the on-call service required.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This contract shall be payable from the RTA Capital and/or RTA Development Funds, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to 100% local funds and FTA grant funds to be determined, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months. This is the budgeted amount for this project.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will create undue hardship on GCRTA’s Engineering staff due to their existing workload and prevent access to external technical expertise when needed.

- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the September 14, 2021 Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the offer from The Osborn Engineering Company 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