

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-8

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2024-135 WITH RGT SERVICES LLC DBA THE FOWLER COMPANY FOR PROJECT NO. 60E – EAST 120<sup>TH</sup> STREET SUBSTATION REPLACEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,194,208.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (“Authority”) deems it necessary to acquire construction services for Project 60E – East 120<sup>th</sup> Street Substation Replacement; and

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2024, RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company, located at 26185 Broadway Avenue, Oakwood Village, Ohio 44146, submitted a total base bid in a total amount not to exceed \$7,194,208.00; and

WHEREAS, the Authority’s General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the bid from RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder 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 total base bid from RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company for Project No. 60E – East 120<sup>th</sup> Street Substation Replacement 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 RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company for Project No. 60E – East 120<sup>th</sup> Street Substation Replacement.

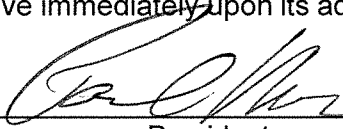
Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-2019-037-337 in an amount not to exceed \$425,293.20, Capital Grant OH-2020-044-307 in an amount not to exceed \$1,094,658.00, Capital Grant OH-2021-050-337 in an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000.00, Capital Grant OH-2024-011-337 in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00, local advance funds pending grant amendment to OH-2024-011-337 in the amount of \$716,505.55, and local funds in the amount not to exceed \$807,751.25, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,194,208.00 (\$4,535,960.97 in federal funds which represents 63% of total cost).

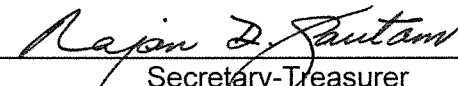
Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor to the specifications and addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees; bonding and insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the Authority’s Board of Trustees expects that RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company 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 21, 2025

  
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President

Attest:   
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Secretary-Treasurer



<b>TITLE/DESCRIPTION:</b> <b>CONTRACT: PROJECT NO. 60E – EAST 120<sup>TH</sup> STREET SUBSTATION REPLACEMENT</b>  <b>VENDOR: RGT SERVICES LLC DBA THE FOWLER COMPANY</b>  <b>AMOUNT: \$7,194,208.00</b>	<b>Resolution No.:</b> 2025-8
	<b>Date:</b> January 16, 2025
	<b>Initiator:</b> Engineering & Project Development 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 Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (“Authority”) to enter into a contract to perform construction services for Project 60E - East 120<sup>th</sup> Street Substation Replacement.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Authority has the need to replace the existing substation at East 120<sup>th</sup> Street with a new 2MW prefabricated traction power substation. The new traction power system equipment will include: AC & DC switchgear, DC isolation switches, rectifier, negative return system, and a rectifier transformer. Control and monitoring systems will include: Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (“SCADA”), closed circuit television, access control, security, etc.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Invitation for Bids was posted on the Authority’s Procurement website and advertised in the local newspapers. Eleven (11) interested parties, including potential subcontractors, downloaded the solicitation package. Two (2) bids were received and opened on October 16, 2024, as follows:

Company Name	Total Base Bid
RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company	\$7,194,208.00
Hatzel & Buehler, Inc.	\$7,590,000.00

The basis of award is the lowest responsive and responsible bid for the total base bid. The total base bid price of \$7,194,208.00 from RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company is 3.86% greater than the Engineer’s Estimate of \$6,926,561.58.

A price analysis has been performed, and the bid from RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company has been determined by the Procurement Department 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. RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company has agreed to achieve 12% DBE participation (\$891,000.00) under the contract using the following certified DBE firms: Cook Paving & Construction Co. (African American female-owned) in the amount of \$820,000.00, Denise’s Flagging and Construction Services, Inc. (African American female-owned) in the amount of \$23,000.00 and East-West Construction Co., Inc. (Asian male-owned) in the amount of \$80,000.00 (\$48,000 x 60%). RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company also submitted documentation that demonstrated sufficient good faith effort has been made to achieve the 15% DBE participation goal.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** Does not apply.

- 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-2019-037-337, in an amount not to exceed \$425,293.20, Capital Grant OH-2020-044-307 in an amount not to exceed \$1,094,658.00, Capital Grant OH-2021-050-337 in an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000.00, Capital Grant OH-2024-011-337 in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00, local advance funds pending grant amendment to OH-2024-011-337 in the amount of \$716,505.55, and local funds in the amount not to exceed \$807,751.25, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,194,208.00 (\$5,535,960.97 in federal funds which represents 63% of total cost).
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Reject this bid. Rejection of this bid would result in not having adequate traction power substation coverage along the Red Line.
- 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION:** This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the January 7, 2025 Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the bid from RGT Services LLC dba The Fowler Company be accepted and the resolution adopted 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