

Minutes

RTA Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

9:05 a.m. February 4, 2025

Committee Members: Welch (Chair), Sleasman

Not present: Love

Staff/Other: Becker, Biggar, Birdsong Terry, Blaze, Burney, Campbell, Caver, Dangelo, Davidson, Dietrich, Feke, Fields, Flannery, Fleig, Fogliano, Freilich, Garofoli, Gautam, Hudson, Jones, Jupina, Laule, Manning, Marotta, McGervey, Miller, Miranda, Moore, Morgan, Mothes, Reed, Schipper, Sulik, Togher, Walker Minor, Young

Public: Colon, Davis, Fischer, Fowler, Gallo, Gibbons, Sikich, Yost

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Two (2) committee members were present.

Ms. Welch acknowledged Black History Month and Transit Equity Day. TED is held annually on Rosa Park's birthday. Ms. Parks was instrumental in the Montgomery Bus Boycott, which highlighted the importance of advocating for fair and equitable transit.

IFB Procurement – Track Improvements to Brookpark Rail Yard

Kathleen McGervey, Engineer Project Manager, Track and Jonathan Laule, Program Contract Manager, Procurement gave the presentation.

Project Overview

The purpose of this project is to prepare for the new rail cars which will be commissioned out of the Brookpark Yard, where some upgrades are needed. There will be no service impact. But there may need to be a weekend shutdown to do some feeders. Work will be done on tracks 5, through 8, 10 and 11. Track 5 is closest to the revenue tracts. Tracks 10 and 11 enter through the shop doors. The work includes the following:

- Replacement of ties as marked on Yard Tracks 5, 6, and 7.
- Reconstruct Track 8 and portions of Tracks 10 and 11.
- Surfacing and lining of tracks.
- Replace switch stands, rods, latches, and targets.
- Install new negative returns and feeders.
- Track bonding.

Procurement Overview

This Invitation for Bid (IFB) was issued on November 18, 2024. It was accessed on the GCRTA website by twelve (12) interested parties. Two (2) firms submitted a bid. The lowest responsive and responsible vendor is RailWorks Track Services, LLC. A 17% DBE participation goal was assigned to this project and will be achieved using Cook Paving & Construction Co, Inc. and William G. Moore & Son, Inc. of Delaware. RailWorks Track Services, LLC has successfully completed projects for GCRTA, Amtrak, Michigan Department of Transportation, and MTA Maryland, among others.

Recommendation

Staff requests that the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee recommend award to RailWorks Track Services, LLC for the Brookpark Yard Tracks Improvements. The contract is in an amount not to exceed \$2,589,826.00.

It was moved by Ms. Welch, seconded by Mr. Sleasman and approved to move to the full Board.

IFP Procurement – Facility Improvements to Brookpark Rail Shop

Matt Marotta, Resident Architect II and Jonathan Laule, Program Contract Manager, Procurement gave the presentation.

Project Overview

GCRTA plans to utilize the existing Brookpark Rail Shop to commission the new rail car fleet. The existing building & site require modifications and improvements prior to taking delivery of the new rail car fleet. The following work is required:

- Track 10 & 11: Replace Rail Track System.
- Track 10 & 11: Install Fall Protection System above train car roof.
- Track 10: Extend Fall Protection railing system along maintenance pit.
- Track 10: Provide Catenary Wire System Modifications & Replace Coiling Doors.
- Track 11: Install Electric systems for railcar maintenance & portable train jack lifts.
- Mezzanine Level: Modify existing floor plate system to access train roof equipment areas.
- Existing Gantry Trolley & Crane System Modifications.

Procurement Overview

The Invitation for Bid (IFB) was issued on December 9, 2024. It was accessed on the GCRTA website by nineteen (19) interested parties. Four (4) firms submitted a bid. The lowest responsive and responsible vendor was Standard Contracting & Engineering, Inc. A 19% DBE participation goal was assigned to this project. Standard Contracting & Engineering, Inc. completed the good faith effort process. This was reviewed and approved by the Office of Business Development. Standard Contracting & Engineering, Inc. has successfully completed project for Nestle, Ford, General Motors, Lubrizol, GCRTA, among others.

Recommendation

Staff requests that the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee recommend award to Standard Contracting & Engineering, Inc. for the Brookpark Rail Shop Modifications. The contract is in an amount not to exceed \$2,893,100.00.

It was moved by Ms. Welch, seconded by Mr. Sleasman and approved to move to the full Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.



Rajan D. Gautam
Secretary/Treasurer



Theresa A. Burrage
Executive Assistant