

AWARDING OF BIDS

1. LASER INTRUSION DETECTION

This bid was publicly advertised and ebusiness documents were made available. A total of two firms accepted the electronic invitation to bid and one bid was received for a one-time purchase of a laser intrusion detection system to assist in providing security at the Authority's light rail transit tunnel entrances in the Central Business District.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder which submitted a responsive bid, Compulink Networks Inc., in the amount of \$166,200.00.

There has been no recent purchase of a laser intrusion detection system, however, the price has been determined to be fair and reasonable and within the funds budgeted.

2. PANTOGRAPH CARBON COLLECTOR STRIP ASSEMBLIES

This bid was publicly advertised and ebusiness bid documents were distributed. Six firms accepted the bid invitation and three bids were received for the purchase of pantograph carbon collector strip assemblies for use in the maintenance of Port Authority's light rail vehicles over a one-year period with an option of an additional one-year period. The apparent low bidder, National Electrical Carbon Products, qualified their bid by not meeting the specifications in the bid document, thereby making their bid non-responsive.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder which submitted a responsive bid, Schunk Graphite Technology, in the estimated amount of \$207,850 for a one year period.

This price represents approximately a seven percent increase from the previous bid price paid two years ago.

3. EXTERIOR LIQUID CLEANER - BUS

This bid was publicly advertised and ebusiness bid documents were distributed. A total of 13 firms accepted the bid invitation and nine bids were received for the purchase of exterior liquid cleaner for use in the maintenance of the Authority's coaches over a two-year period. The three apparent low bidders; Chem Station, Pressure Washer Systems of Pennsylvania, and Zep Manufacturing, each qualified their bid by not meeting the specifications in the bid document, thereby making their bid non-responsive.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder which submitted a responsive bid, Pitt Chemical and Sanitary Supply Company, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$144,108.05.

This price represents a two percent decrease per year over the previous bid price paid two years ago.

4. CLEVER DEVICE REPLACEMENT PARTS

This bid was publicly advertised and ebusiness bid documents were distributed. Two firms accepted the bid invitation and one bid was received for the purchase of Clever Device replacement parts over a one-year period. Contract quantities were increased for those items in which the usage has increased. Additionally, 10 other system related items were added to this contract.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder which submitted a responsive bid, Clever Devices LTD, in the estimated amount of \$139,284.93.

This price represents a one percent decrease over the previous bid price paid one year ago for comparable items.

5. CLEANING SOLVENT SERVICE

This bid was publicly advertised and paper bid documents were distributed to 33 firms and two bids were received for the purchase of cleaning solvent services over a one-year period, with an option for two additional one-year service periods. Contract quantities were adjusted to the current usage, and service intervals were lengthened for this contract which represents approximately a 34 percent cost savings.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder which submitted a responsive bid, Safety-Kleen Systems Inc., in the estimated amount of \$118,037.20 for a one-year period.

This price represents approximately a six percent decrease over the previous bid price paid three years ago.

6. ARTICULATED TRANSIT COACH (Change Order)

At its October 2010 meeting, the Board authorized an agreement with New Flyer of America (New Flyer) for the purchase of up to 25 60-foot low floor articulated coaches with an option to purchase up to an additional 125 coaches over the next five years.

There is a need for the Authority to exercise this option in order to continue the process of replacing existing vehicles in the fleet which are 15 years old and have in excess of 500,000 miles and have reached the end of their useful life.

RECOMMENDATION: That a contract amendment be executed with New Flyer in the not-to-exceed amount of \$669,990.00, which will execute the option for one additional 60-foot low floor articulated coach.

This price represents pricing received for the purchase of transit coaches in accordance with the existing approved contract.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that recommendations as set forth in the report are accepted and that the chief executive officer or chief financial officer be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute such documents on behalf of Port Authority of Allegheny County as shall be required for the entry of proper contracts covering those items recommended for acceptance.