



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: A/E SERVICES FOR THE BROOKPARK RAPID TRANSIT STATION VENDOR: BIALOSKY + PARTNERS ARCHITECTS, LLC AMOUNT: \$1,200,000.00	Resolution No.: 2009-44
	Date: June 25, 2009
	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:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for Project 24-J-C – A/E Services for the Brookpark Rapid Transit Station.

2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Brookpark Rapid Transit Station is a significant park and ride facility of the Authority. This project is for A/E Design Services to rehabilitate the Brookpark Rapid Transit Station. The scope of the work includes the replacement or reutilization of buildings located on the east and west side of the station, kiss and ride area. The work will also encompass the rehabilitation of the bus loop tunnel, platform and parking lot, as well as improved landscaping along Brookpark Road. The new design is expected to provide the Authority with an attractive, safe, and well -lit facility that will attract an increase in ridership for the Authority.

3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** A Request for Proposal was posted on the GCRTA procurement website and advertised in the local newspapers. Solicitations were downloaded from the web site by approximately one hundred twenty-one prospective proposers. Eleven (11) technical proposals were received on April 9, 2009.

These services were solicited through a competitive negotiated procurement, utilizing the Brooks Act procedures. Under this process, the Authority’s evaluation panel selects the most technically qualified firms to interview, based on the written proposals received. Interviews are conducted and based on this process; the single most technically qualified firm is selected and asked to submit a cost proposal. The Authority then negotiates with that firm. Should the Authority determine that a mutual 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 first ranked firm and an acceptable price was reached.

A cost analysis was performed and the Procurement Department has determined the negotiated price with Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.

4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 20% DBE has been established for this procurement. Bialosky & Partners Architects has committed to achieving \$247,000 or 20.6% in DBE participation through the utilization of the following certified DBE firms:

Resource International (Asian American)	geo-technical services	\$102,800	8.6%
Sandhu & Associates (Asian American)	mechanical engineering	48,000	4.0%
L.V. Surveying (Female)	surveying	38,000	3.2%
Regency Construction Services (Hispanic)	cost estimating & scheduling	28,000	2.3%
Lawhon & Associates (Female)	environmental engineering	16,000	1.3%
Knight & Stolar (Female)	landscaping	14,000	1.2%
		\$247,000	20.6%

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to ARRA Capital Grant OH-96-X027, Line Item 12.31.02 in the amount of \$600,000 and Local funds in the amount of \$600,000 for a total contract amount of \$1,200,000 (\$600,000 in Federal funds which represents 50% of the total contract). The award of this contract is based on initially using available 100% Local funds, 50% which will be replaced by FTA funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

This station was previously designed with Federal funds so project funding is split to support the new design.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will impact the Authority's goal to upgrade this vital rapid transit station.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This contract was reviewed by the Planning and Development Committee at their June 2, 2009 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the offer of Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer 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.

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-44

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2009-29 WITH BIALOSKY + PARTNERS ARCHITECTS, LLC FOR PROJECT 24JC – A/E SERVICES FOR THE BROOKPARK RAPID TRANSIT STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200,000.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority deems it necessary to procure A/E Services for the Brookpark Rapid Transit Station, as described under Project 24JC; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC with offices located at 2775 South Moreland Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44120 to perform said services was received on April 9, 2009 in response to a request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, an amount of one million two hundred thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$1,200,000.00) was agreed upon and Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC was determined to be the most technically qualified firm offering to perform said services; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC, as negotiated, to be in the best interest of 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 offer of Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC, as negotiated, to perform said services under Project 24JC– A/E Services for the Brookpark Rapid Transit Station, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC for the performance of said services.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Engineering and Project Development budget, including but not limited to ARRA Capital Grant OH-96-X027 in the amount of \$600,000 and 100% Local funds in the amount of \$600,000 for a total contract amount of \$1,200,000. (\$600,000 in Federal funds which represents 50% of the total contract. The award of this contract is based on initially using available 100% Local funds, 50% of which will be replaced by FTA funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

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, thereto, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2009-023; bonding and insurance requirements; and all applicable laws relating to the contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects Bialosky + Partners Architects, LLC to exceed the 20% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: June 30, 2009

President

Attest: _____
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer