RESOLUTION NO. 2017-46

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2017-069 WITH TRANSIT SOURCE SERVICES, INC. FOR THE FURNISHING OF RESILIENT DISCS, AS SPECIFIED AND AS REQUIRED, FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$456,750.00 (GENERAL FUND, FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority has a recurring need to replace resilient discs as part of its Light Rail Vehicle steel wheels maintenance program; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority has experienced problems with resilient discs manufactured by the aftermarket and efforts to search for an alternate resilient disc resulted in increased failures; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 306.43(H)(2) provides that competitive bidding is not required when the "purchase consists of goods or services, or any combination thereof, and after reasonable inquiry the board or any officer or employee the board designates finds that only one source of supply is reasonably available"; and

WHEREAS, the Authority recommends procuring resilient discs from the Original Equipment Manufacturer ("OEM"), Transit Source Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Transit Source Services, Inc., with offices at 85 Abbottsford Drive Pinehurst, NC 28374, offered on July 3, 2017 to furnish up to 3,000 resilient discs for a period of two years in an amount not to exceed \$456,750.00; and

WHEREAS, the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of Transit Source Services, Inc., to fair and reasonable 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 offer of Transit Source Services, Inc., for the furnishing of up to 3,000 resilient discs, as specified and as required, for a period of two years, be and the same is hereby accepted.
- Section 2. That the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a sole source contract with Transit Source Services, Inc., for the furnishing of resilient discs, as specified and as required, for a period of two years.
- Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the General Fund, Fleet Management Department budget in an amount not to exceed \$456,750.00 for a period of two years.

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon future funding and compliance by the contractor to the Specifications and Addenda, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution No. 2015-76; 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 Transit Source Services, Inc., will attempt to exceed the 0% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: July 18, 2017

President □

Attest:

CEO, General/Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: FURNISHING OF RESILIENT DISCS FOR LIGHT RAIL		Resolution No.: 2017-46
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VENDOR:	TRANSIT SOURCE SERVICES, INC. ("TSS")	Initiator:
AMOUNT:	NOT TO EXCEED \$456,750.00 FOR TWO YEARS	Fleet Management Department
ACTION REQUEST:		
Approval	☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other	***************************************

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will authorize the sole source purchase of up to 3,000 resilient discs for the Authority's Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) steel wheels, as specified and as required, for a period of two years.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: After problems with resilient discs manufactured by the aftermarket, Fleet Management has recommended that the Authority procure resilient discs from the Original Equipment Manufacturer ("OEM"), Transit Source Services, Inc. ("TSS"), the U.S. distributor of GHH/Bonatrans. This procurement will provide the Authority with replacement resilient discs that will prevent premature LRV wheel failures.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Section 306.43(H)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code states that a purchase is exempted from competitive bidding when "the purchase consists of goods or services, or any combination thereof, and after reasonable inquiry the board or any officer or employee the board designates finds that only one source of supply is reasonably available." The efforts made to search for an alternate resilient disc resulted in increased failures, thus supporting the need to purchase from the OEM, TSS.

A price analysis has been performed and the Procurement Department has determined that the negotiated price submitted by TSS, is fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 0% DBE participation goal was established for this procurement due to the lack of certified DBE firms.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement will be funded through the General Fund, Fleet Management Department budget, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$456,750.00 for a period of two years. This amount is approximately 1.5% above the budgeted amount of \$450,000.00 for this purchase.

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: <u>Reject this bid</u>. Rejection of this bid would significantly impact the Authority's ability to maintain the Authority's fleet of Light Rail Vehicles, which would significantly affect the Authority's ability to provide service its customers.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the offer of Transit Source Services, Inc., be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the CEO, 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