## RESOLUTION NO. 2019-48

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2019-017 WITH MOTT MACDONALD, LLC FOR PROJECT 24U – SIGNAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE E. 79<sup>TH</sup> ST. STATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$194,118.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority needs to contract with a firm to provide signal engineering support services for the E. 79<sup>th</sup> St. Station, as described under Project 24U; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Mott MacDonald, LLC, with an office located at 18013 Cleveland Parkway Drive, Suite 200, Cleveland, Ohio 44135, to perform said services was received on March 7, 2019 in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations, Mott MacDonald, LLC has agreed to perform the required services in an amount not to exceed \$194,118.00; and

WHEREAS, the Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of Mott MacDonald, LLC to be the most advantageous 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 negotiated offer of Mott MacDonald, LLC to provide signal engineering support services under Project 24U – Signal Engineering Services for the E. 79<sup>th</sup> St. Station, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Mott MacDonald, LLC for the performance of said services.

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-54-0004 in an amount not to exceed \$194,118.00 (\$155,294.40 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the 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, thereto, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2015-76; 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 that Mott MacDonald, LLC will attempt to exceed the 7% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: May 14, 2019

President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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## Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:		Resolution No.:
FOR THE E	PROJECT 24U - SIGNAL ENGINEERING SERVICES	2019-48
	FOR THE E. 79 <sup>TH</sup> ST. STATION	Date:
		May 9, 2019
VENDOR:	MOTT MACDONALD, LLC	Initiator: Engineering & Project
AMOUNT:	NOT TO EXCEED \$194,118.00	Development
ACTION REQUEST:		
☑ Approval	☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for Project 24U Signal Engineering Services for the E. 79<sup>th</sup> St. Station.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The Authority will procure the services of a professional engineering consultant to complete the signal engineering support services for the design and construction of the East 79<sup>th</sup> Street Station which serves the heavy rail line on the east side of Cleveland. The GCRTA Engineering & Project Management Division is redesigning the station to meet ADA Compliance requirements. The consultant will be responsible for the design of a new railroad pedestrian crossing gate and the relocation of an existing junction box feeding two existing impedance bonds.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The Request for Proposal ("RFP") was posted on the GCRTA Procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. Thirteen interested parties, including potential subcontractors, downloaded the solicitation package. These services were solicited through a competitive negotiated procurement, utilizing the Brooks Act procedures. Under this process, the Authority's evaluation panel first selects the most technically qualified firm, solicits a pricing proposal from that firm, and negotiates price only with that firm. Should the Authority determine that an 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 Mott MacDonald, LLC, the first ranked firm, and an acceptable price was reached.

Mott MacDonald, LLC has successfully completed projects for the GCRTA, Chicago Transit Authority, Port Authority of Allegheny County, WMATA, and LACMTA, among others.

The Procurement Department performed a cost analysis and determined the proposed pricing to be fair and reasonable to the Authority.

- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: All Affirmative Action requirements have been met. A 7% DBE goal was established for this procurement. Mott MacDonald, LLC has committed to achieving the DBE participation goal through the utilization of Raul V. Bravo & Associates, Inc. (Hispanic-owned) in the amount of \$11,669.00 and Denise's Flagging & Construction (Female-owned) in the amount of \$2,336.00 for a total of \$14,005.00 or 7%.
- 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-54-0004 in an amount not to exceed \$194,118.00 (\$155,294.40 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost). The negotiated price is 17.8% greater than the Engineer's Estimate. The proposed services are more complex than originally contemplated.

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: <u>Reject this offer.</u> Rejection of this offer will prevent the completion of the station redesign which must meet ADA Compliance requirements.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the May 14, 2019 Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the offer from Mott MacDonald, LLC be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the Interim 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.

M. Lawe, Ph.D.
Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer