RESOLUTION NO. 2019-73

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2019-060 WITH TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION OF OHIO FOR PROJECT 18.37 – ON-CALL BRIDGE ENGINEERING SERVICES - 2019 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00 FOR A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS (RTA CAPITAL AND/OR RTA DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, The Authority requires the services of a civil engineering firm to supplement staff with expertise in inspection, evaluation, and design of highway and railroad bridges; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio, with an office located at 1100 Superior Avenue East, Suite 1000, Cleveland, Ohio 44114 to perform said services was received on May 16, 2019, in response to a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, TranSystems Corporation of Ohio has agreed to perform the required services for the negotiated labor rates in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months; and

WHEREAS, the Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer deems the offer of TranSystems Corporation of Ohio to be the most advantageous to the Authority, finds the negotiated hourly rates to be fair and reasonable for said services, 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 TranSystems Corporation of Ohio, to provide various task order services under Project 18.37 On-Call Bridge Engineering Services 2019, 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 TranSystems Corporation of Ohio for the performance of said services.
- Section 3. That said contact shall be payable from the RTA Capital and/or RTA Development Funds, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to, 100% Local funds and FTA Grants to be determined, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months.

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon future funding, 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.

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Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees expects that TranSystems Corporation of Ohio will attempt to exceed the 2% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: July 16, 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.:
CONTRACT:	PROJECT 18.37 – ON-CALL BRIDGE ENGINEERING	2019-73
SERVICES - 2019		Date:
VENDOR:	TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION OF OHIO	July 11, 2019
AMOUNT:	\$300,000.00 FOR 24 MONTH PERIOD	Initiator: Engineering & Project 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 On-Call Bridge Engineering Services for a period of 24 months.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This project is to obtain professional services to perform bridge engineering support. The services will be authorized by task order on an as needed basis.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The Request for Proposal (RFP) was posted on the GCRTA Procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. The solicitation was downloaded by twenty-eight interested parties. 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 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 the first ranked firm, TranSystems Corporation of Ohio, and an acceptable price was reached.

TranSystems Corporation of Ohio has successfully completed projects for the Greater Cleveland RTA, the Miami County Engineer, Ohio Department of Transportation, the Cambria County Transit Authority, and the Trinity Railway Express in Dallas, Texas, among others.

The Procurement Department performed a price 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. TranSystems Corporation of Ohio has committed to achieving the 2% DBE participation goal established for this procurement, which is equivalent to \$6,000.00, and has agreed to utilize the following certified DBE firms: G&T Associates, Inc. (Asian Pacific-owned), Barr Engineering (Asian-owned), and Denise Flagging & Construction (Female-owned) in amounts that will be a function of the specific nature of the on-call service required.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This contract shall be payable from the RTA Capital and/or RTA Development Funds, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to, 100% Local funds and FTA Grants to be determined, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for a period of 24 months. This is the budgeted amount for this project.

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer will create undue hardship on GCRTA's Engineering staff due to their existing workload and prevent access to external technical expertise when needed.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement is scheduled to be discussed by the Board of Trustees Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee at the July 16, 2019 meeting. It is recommended that the offer from TranSystems Corporation of Ohio 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.

Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer