

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-53

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2022-19 WITH MOTT MACDONALD, LLC FOR PROJECT 19.43 – ON-CALL SIGNAL ENGINEERING SERVICES - 2022 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$450,000.00 FOR A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS (RTA CAPITAL AND/OR DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Authority requires professional signal expertise with design and technical support services for highway-rail grade crossing warning systems, wayside & cab signal systems and traffic control systems; and

WHEREAS, the Authority also requires assistance with regulatory compliance, training and specification development, preparation of plans, specifications, cost estimates, construction duration estimates, and construction support services; 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 30, 2022 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 \$450,000.00 for a period of 24 months; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 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 design and technical support services under Project 19.43 – On-Call Signal Engineering Services - 2022, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer of the Authority be and she 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 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 \$450,000.00 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, if any; the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees; 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 Mott MacDonald, LLC will attempt to exceed the 5% minimum DBE goal assigned to this procurement.

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

Adopted: June 28, 2022



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: CONTRACT: PROJECT 19.43 – ON-CALL SIGNAL ENGINEERING SERVICES - 2022 VENDOR: MOTT MACDONALD, LLC AMOUNT: AMOUNT NTE \$450,000 FOR 24 MONTH PERIOD	Resolution No.: 2022-53
	Date: June 23, 2022
	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/SCOPE:** This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract for On-Call Signal Engineering Services for a period of 24 months.

- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** This project will provide professional signal expertise with design and technical support services for highway-rail grade crossing warning systems, wayside & cab signal systems and traffic control systems. It will also provide assistance with regulatory compliance, training and specification development. The consultant will be required to prepare plans, specifications, cost estimates, construction duration estimates, and to provide construction support services.

- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** The Request for Proposal (“RFP”) was posted on the GCRTA Procurement web site and advertised in the local newspapers. Nineteen 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, WMATA and the Port Authority of Allegheny County, 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. Mott MacDonald, LLC has committed to achieve the 5% DBE participation goal established for this procurement, which is equivalent to \$22,500.00, and has agreed to utilize the following certified DBE firms: Raul V. Bravo & Associates (Hispanic-owned), Denise’s Flaggging & Construction (Female-owned), and Geo Trans (Hispanic-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 \$450,000.00 for a period of 24 months. This is the budgeted amount for this project.

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would leave the Authority without the technical expertise of a professional signal engineering firm to supplement the resources of the Authority's Engineering and Project Management Division.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the June 14, 2022 Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the offer from Mott MacDonald, LLC be accepted and the resolution passed authorizing the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 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.



General Manager, Chief Executive Officer