

On-Call Rail Engineering Services - 2025

Presented to:

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

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Project Overview:

- Perform rail engineering design and technical support for projects exceeding the capacity or expertise of GCRTA personnel
- Work is by Task Order Assignment
- Total Task Orders not to exceed \$800,000 over 24 months

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Scope of Work for services may include:

- Track structure
- Overhead Catenary System
- Signal System Elements
- Track and Infrastructure Inspections
- Communications Systems, including Analog, Digital, Radio or Wireless
- Electrical Power Substations

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Potential Tasks include:

- Catenary projects for wire tension, stagger, and height
- Preparation of track rehabilitation packages
- Track infrastructure modifications at the Central Rail Maintenance Facility
- Track and infrastructure modifications for the new Siemens rail vehicles

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Procurement Overview:

- Request for Proposal (RFP) issued June 29, 2025
- Accessed on the GCRTA website by twenty-eight (28) interested parties
- One (1) firm submitted a proposal
- One (1) firm was interviewed

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Evaluation Panel Members:

- Engineering and Project Development
- Rail Power & Way – Track Department
- Office of Management and Budget
- Safety
- Procurement

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Evaluation Criteria:

- Project Manager
- Assigned Staff
- Past Performance
- Project Approach
- Location of Majority of Work
- DBE Participation

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Most technically qualified vendor:

- Michael Baker International, Inc., Cleveland, OH

A 9% DBE goal was assigned to this project and will be met by utilizing:

- Denise's Flagging & Construction Services, Inc.
- DGL Consulting Engineers
- National Engineering & Architectural Services, Inc.

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Firm Experience:

- Michael Baker International, Inc. has successfully completed projects for GCRTA, LA Metro, ODOT, and Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), among others.
- Experienced and qualified staff familiar with GCRTA
- A clear and acceptable project approach

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Recommendation:

Staff Requests that the Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee recommend award to Michael Baker International, Inc. for Consulting Services for the On-Call Rail Engineering Services - 2025. The contract is not to exceed \$800,000.00 for the period of 24 months.

Questions?

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