

PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES
CONTRACT NUMBER PS70129

1.	Contract Number: PS70129	
2.	Recommended Vendor: PMA Consultant LLC	
3.	Type of Procurement (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP <input type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	Procurement Dates:	
	A. Issued: December 23, 2020	
	B. Advertised/Publicized: December 23, 2020 (Vendor Portal) / December 28, 2020 (Periodicals of General Circulation)	
	C. Pre-Proposal Conference: January 5, 2021	
	D. Proposals Due: March 18, 2020	
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: May 21, 2021	
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: March 22, 2021	
	G. Protest Period End Date: July 26, 2021	
5.	Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded: 196	Proposals Received: 3
6.	Contract Administrator: Helen Gates-Bryant	Telephone Number: 213-922-1269
7.	Project Manager: Brad Owen	Telephone Number: 213-418-3143

A. Procurement Background

This Board Action is to approve Contract No. PS70129, Construction Support Services Contract, to provide construction support and services for the Metro Orange Line (MOL/G Line) Improvements, Progressive D/B project as outlined in the Statement of Services. The resultant Contract, if awarded, will be state/locally funded and is subject to fiscal year funding. Award of the Contract is subject to the resolution of any timely protest.

The Metro Orange Line (MOL/G Line) Improvements, Progressive D/B project (The Project) consist of Crossing Gates at up to 35 intersections along the Orange Line; Sepulveda BRT Grade Separation (SGS) with aerial station; Van Nuys (BRT) Grade Separation (VGS) with aerial station; Advanced utilities relocation and ROW acquisition; and Community Outreach.

The Project will be procured utilizing the Progressive Design-Build project delivery method. It is LACMTA's intent that the LACMTA organization and the selected CSSC function as a coordinated and integrated team for the efficient, effective, and professional delivery of this Project.

The RFP was issued in accordance with Metro's Procurement Acquisition Policies and Procedures. The contract type is a Cost-Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF) for a term of five (5) years plus 2 one-year options. A pre-proposal conference was held on January 5, 2021. One hundred ninety-six (196) individuals from various firms picked up or downloaded the RFP Package.

Two amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on February 12,2021, to clarify MSZ firm language; submittal requirements; Form 60 and staffing plan.
- Amendment No. 2, issued on February 19, 2021, to clarify, correct and revise Letter of Invitation Supplemental Non-Federal and staffing plan

A total of three (3) proposals were received on March18, 2021, from the following firms, in alphabetical order:

1. Biggs Cardosa and Associates
2. Cordoba Corporation
3. PMA Consultants LLC

B. Evaluation of Proposals

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of diverse staff from Metro Program Management was convened and conducted a comprehensive evaluation of the proposals received.

The proposals were evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria and the associated weightings:

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| • Experience and Capabilities of Firms on the Team | (25%) |
| • Key Personnel's Sills and Experience | (35%) |
| • Project Understanding and Approach | (20%) |
| • Cost Proposal | (20%) |
| Total | 100% |

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other professional services procurements. Several factors were considered when developing the weightings, giving the greatest importance to the Project Understanding and Approach.

During the months of March and April 2021, the PET evaluated the three (3) written proposals. All the three (3) proposals received were determined to be within the competitive range.

1. Biggs Cardosa and Associates
2. Cordoba Corporation
3. PMA Consultants LLC

On May 13, 2021, Metro held virtual Oral Presentations with the proposing firms. In the interest of time, oral presentations were held before the determination of whether or not the proposers were responsive to the SBE/DVBE goals.

This procurement was subject to Metro's Medium-Sized Business Enterprise (MSZ) Program and was solicited as such. According to the Letter of Invitation (LOI), LACMTA will consider bids/proposals from other size firms only in the event LACMTA does not receive more than one responsive and responsible MSZ bid/proposal. Biggs Cardosa and Associates, and PMA Consultants LLC were both determined to be responsive and responsible MSZ firms. Cordoba Corporation is not an MSZ firm with their number of employees exceeding 250.

Qualifications Summary of the recommended firm:

PMA Consultants LLC

- The Proposal demonstrated a level of experienced personnel that significantly exceeds the RFP requirements. Key personnel demonstrate experience in managing transit construction projects, construction safety, and is has sufficient commitment and availability for the project.
- The Proposal demonstrated a schedule and cost control implementation methods on carrying out their management plan.
- The Prime consultant and Subconsultants have a wide range of construction management experience on transit projects. Each firm demonstrated a thorough understanding and knowledge of the complexity of similar projects.
- The Proposal demonstrated a complete understanding of the scope of services in accordance with the requirements of RFP. The project team shows a comprehensive understanding of the project goals, resources, schedules, project challenges and issues.

The Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) determined all (3) proposals to be within the competitive range; however, Cordoba Corporation was determined not to meet the MSZ requirements and therefore was given no further consideration. The evaluation was based on the evaluation criteria in the RFP, and assessed major strengths, weaknesses, and associated risks of each of the proposers to determine the most advantageous firm. The final scoring was based on evaluation of the written proposal, as supported by an oral presentation, and clarifications received from the Proposer. The result of the final scoring is shown below:

	Firm	Average Score	Factor Weight	Weighted Average Score*	Rank
	PMA Consultants LLC				
	Experience and Capabilities of Firms on the Team	82.00	25%	20.50	
	Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	81.20	35%	28.42	
	Project Understanding and Approach	81.40	20%	16.28	
	Cost Proposal**	87.40	20%	17.48	
	Total		100.00%	82.68	1
	Biggs Cardosa and Associates				
	Experience and Capabilities of Firms on the Team	82.68	25%	20.67	
	Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	78.86	35%	27.60	
	Project Understanding and Approach	82.95	20%	16.59	
	Cost Proposal**	65.95	20%	13.19	
	Total		100.00%	78.05	2

* Weighted scores are rounded to the nearest second decimal point.

**Cost proposals were based on the Proposers' rates for the provided level of effort of 64,489 hours in the Staffing Plan. Scores shown above for the cost proposals are based on formula in the RFP highest score going to the lowest cost proposal.

C. Cost/Price Analysis

Metro staff performed a cost analysis of the responsive proposals, established a negotiation plan, and commenced with negotiations. The final negotiated amounts will comply with all requirements of Metro Procurement Policies and Procedures, including fact-finding, clarifications, and reasonableness. To prevent delay in contract award, provisional indirect cost rates will be established subject to retroactive adjustments upon completion of any necessary audits and a fixed factor. The primary difference between the ICE and the recommended not-to exceed amount is that the ICE is based on different direct labor rates and indirect cost rates.

Proposer: PMA Consultants LLC			
Contract Duration	Proposal Amount	Metro ICE	Recommended NTE Amount
Base Period – 5 Years	\$17,273,075.56 ⁽¹⁾	\$14,385,260 ⁽²⁾	\$17,273,075.56
Option Year 1 and 2	\$6,997,867.15 ⁽¹⁾		

- (1) The proposal amount is based on the Metro established staffing plan. The Consultant's overall cost for labor, overhead, fees, and other elements were lower for the five years. Proposers combined the dollars for Option1 and 2 and the dollars for each Option will be negotiated prior to being exercised.
- (2) The amount \$14,385,260 is the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE) for 5-year base Period of the Contract.

D. Background on Recommended Contractor

The recommended firm, PMA Consultants LLC, located in Long Beach, California. They have extensive experience managing the delivery of large transportation and heavy civil projects involving structural and civil components.

PMA has assembled a team with relevant expertise capable of providing support for all aspects of this project. The PMA team has deep knowledge of Metro processes and procedures, established relationships with Metro Staff and a proven track record of successful projects with Metro. PMA is committed to keeping key personnel on staff for the duration of the project.

The Project Director is a licensed Civil PE and attorney with over 20 years of CM experience on transit projects. Additionally, the Project Director has worked on six projects that utilized Progressive Design/Build (PD/B). He has over thirty years of supervisory experience managing public construction contracts of similar size and scope. Other key personnel have experience working within the City of Los Angeles.