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OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

SUBJECT: AUTOMATED PUBLIC TOILETS ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

SERVICES

ACTION: APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD

RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a sole source firm fixed price Contract No. OP850488370000 for Automated Public Toilets (APTs) maintenance services with Public Facilities and Services, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,393,540 for the contract five-year base period, effective December 1, 2022.

ISSUE

The existing contract with Public Facilities and Services, Inc. expires on November 30, 2022. To continue providing clean, safe, and operational APTs to Metro patrons, a new contract award is required effective December 1, 2022.

BACKGROUND

On June 22, 2017, Metro Board of Directors approved a five-year sole source firm fixed price Contract No. OP783160003367 with Public Facilities and Services, Inc., the only authorized service provider, effective July 15, 2017.

Under the existing contract, the contractor has been providing satisfactory maintenance services to the APTs, on a regular schedule and as-needed basis.

DISCUSSION

APTs are stationary restroom facilities located at the Harbor Gateway and El Monte Transit Centers for use by Metro patrons. The APTs are accessible by all Metro patrons and employees, with an average monthly patron usage of 9,000 at Harbor Gateway and more than 12,000 for the El Monte Transit Center. These automated restrooms contain highly technical and specialized computer software called Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC). This specialized software allows these restrooms to automatically wash and disinfect their complete interior capsule via water sprays, hoses, and

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ventilation fans to air out and dry all interior wall panels, floors, and fixtures.

The technicians servicing these units must be well-trained to access, adjust and repair PLC systems via the control board located in the APTs service bay. Public Facilities and Services, Inc. is the sole service and maintenance provider for APTs within the United States and Canada, authorized by the Australian manufacturing company, Exeloo. To avoid service interruption and continue providing the required critical maintenance services, a new contract award is required effective December 1, 2022.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

The approval of this item will ensure providing, safe, clean, and reliable APT services to Metro patrons.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding of \$248,970 for the APT maintenance services at Metro Bus Facilities is included in the FY23 budget in cost center 8370 - Facilities Contracted Maintenance Services, account 50308, Service Contract Maintenance, under various projects.

Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center manager and Deputy COO, Administration and Development, will be accountable for budgeting the costs for future years.

Impact to Budget

The current source of funds for this action includes State and Local funds including Fares. Using these funding sources ensures the best allocation given approved funding provisions and guidelines.

EQUITY PLATFORM

These restroom units are ADA compliant providing individuals with disabilities easy access and use while conveniently situated on the station platforms without the need to transverse stairs or elevators to use the restroom.

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) did not establish a goal for this solicitation due to a lack of subcontracting opportunities and that Public Facilities and Services, Inc. is the sole service and maintenance provider for APTs within the United States and Canada, authorized by the Australian manufacturing company, Exeloo.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

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The Board may elect not to approve this recommendation. This option is not recommended as it would result in a gap in service impacting Metro's system safety, cleanliness, operations, and customer experience.

NEXT STEPS

Upon approval by the Board, staff will execute Contract No. OP850488370000 with Public Facilities and Services, Inc., to provide APT maintenance services effective December 1, 2022.

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - DEOD Summary

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