

**MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY (MDX)
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017
10:30 AM**

**WILLIAM M. LEHMAN MDX BUILDING
3790 NW 21ST STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33142**

SUMMARY MINUTES

Present Committee Members:

Maritza Gutierrez, Chair
James Wolfe, Vice Chair
Arthur J. Meyer
Cliff Walter

Absent Committee Members:

Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson

Present MDX Board Members:

Louis V. Martinez, Esq., MDX Chair
Shelly Smith Fano, MDX Vice Chair

Staff:

Javier Rodriguez, P.E., Executive Director
Carlos M. Zaldivar, Esq., General Counsel
Juan Toledo, P.E., Deputy Executive Director/ Director of Engineering
Marie T. Schafer, Deputy Executive Director/CFO
Stephen Andriuk, Deputy Executive Director/Director of Toll Operations
Francine Steelman, Esq., Associate General Counsel
Helen M. Cordero, Manager of Procurement and Contract Administration
Maria Luisa Navia Lobo, Board Secretary

Consultants:

Yvette Holt, Holt Communications (GEC-B)
Richard Glass, Glassland Acquisitions (GEC-A)
Gary Walsh, HNTB (GEC-A)

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Gutierrez, Chair of the Operations Committee called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m., Ms. Navia Lobo called the roll and announced a quorum was present.

DECLARATIONS OF VOTING CONFLICTS

- Potential Conflict of Interest Report

Mr. Zaldivar asked if any of the Committee Members had a Conflict of Interest to declare regarding the agenda. No conflicts were declared.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ACTION ITEMS

A) Approval of Summary Minutes:

- Operations Committee Meeting of May 18, 2017

Mr. Martinez moved to approve the Summary Minutes. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

B) MDX Procurement/Contract Number RFQ-17-01; MDX Work Program No. Various; Miscellaneous Materials Engineering and Testing Services (\$300,000/ Contract)

- Endorsement for staff to negotiate rates and enter into a contract for a not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000 with each prequalified Consultant

Ms. Cordero briefed Member and clarified the contract is for a not-to-exceed amount of each contract for the initial term is \$300,000.

On June 9, 2017, proposals were received from the following firms:

- Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.
- GFA International, Inc.
- Professional Service Industries, Inc.
- Tally Engineering, Inc.
- Tierra South Florida, Inc.
- Universal Engineering Sciences, Inc.

Staff is recommending that all six firms be selected as a pool of prequalified Consultants to provide the Services. The term of each contract will be for 3 years with the option to renew for an additional, consecutive 2 year term. Task Authorizations will be assigned on an as-needed basis. Individual Task Authorizations are limited to a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.

Secretary Wolf expressed concern with the competitive element. Mr. Toledo explained that all the firms carry similar work experience; the work would be distributed evenly. Ms. Cordero clarified that the work would be distributed on a rotational basis and based on firm availability. They will be given the opportunity to complete the full scope. Mr. Toledo explained that having a pool of consultants for Materials Engineering and Testing Services will better facilitate the needs of construction projects.

The Committee thoroughly discussed the item and Secretary Wolf recommended reducing the not-to-exceed amount of each contract for the initial term from \$300,000 to \$200,000. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Martinez moved to direct Staff to negotiate rates and enter into contracts with each of the six qualified prequalified consultants for a not-to-exceed amounts of \$200,000. Secretary Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously endorsed.

C) MDX Procurement/Contract Number ITB-17-04; System-wide Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) Services (\$1,650,000)

- Endorsement of Contract award to the lowest, responsible and responsive Bidder

Ms. Cordero briefed Members on the ITB two-step process and informed Members that MDX used this project as a pilot to implement a different process of performing review of the Bid Packages to determine bidders responsible and responsiveness. Bidders were required to separate their bid packages into two separate parts and submit them at the same time.

On June 9, 2017, two bid packages were received in response to the ITB from the following Bidders:

- Halley Engineering Contractors, Inc.
- Safety Systems Barricades, Corp.

Both bid packages contained minor irregularities that did not provide a competitive advantage and were cured. This is consistent with prior practices and as allowed by both the Solicitation Documents and the MDX Procurement Policy. Both Bidders were deemed responsive to the requirements of Part 1, which would allow for the Bid Opening (Part 2 of the Bid Packages) on June 16, 2017.

Staff performed the compliance review, including Bid Analysis, on Part 2 of the Bid Packages and found that Safety Systems Barricades Corporation is the lowest, responsive and responsible Bidder. Therefore, Staff recommends award of the Contract to Safety Systems Barricades Corporation.

The not-to-exceed contract amount is \$1,650,000.00 for the initial 3 year term. Work Orders will be assigned on an as needed basis using the unit prices on the contractor's bid.

Mr. Walters moved to endorse a contract award to the lowest, responsible and responsive bidder. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously endorsed.

D) Comprehensive Safety and Rehabilitation Program for SR 836 (Dolphin Expressway), SR 874 (Don Shula Expressway), SR 878 (Snapper Creek Expressway and SR 924 (Gratigny Parkway) (\$31 Million)

- Endorsement of a Comprehensive Safety and Rehabilitation Program for SR 836 (Dolphin Expressway), SR 874 (Don Shula Expressway), SR 878 (Snapper Creek Expressway and SR 924 (Gratigny Parkway)

Mr. Toledo informed Members that based on a Safety and Rehabilitation Study recently completed for SR 836, SR 874, SR 878 and SR 924 Expressways, and in accordance with the Trust Indenture and Annual Inspection reports, he presented a list of necessary safety and rehabilitation projects for the SR 836, SR 874, SR 878 and SR 924 Expressways. The system safety and rehabilitation projects are required to be in compliance with current standards.

He presented a need assessment for each corridor with an estimated total project cost, which includes: project development, design and construction, and project schedule. The preliminary estimate for this comprehensive program is approximately \$31 million. All projects will be placed into the MDX 5-Year Work Program and Finance Plan. All projects will be brought back to Committee and Board with supporting documentation for approval.

Ms. Gutierrez requested a simulation of each project that reflects the before and after condition with traffic function. Mr. Toledo stated that this will be included as part of the project development phase.

Ms. Smith Fano moved to endorse the Comprehensive Safety and Rehabilitation Program for SR 3836, SR 874, SR 878 and SR 924. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously endorsed.

[The presentation is filed with the Board Secretary]

- E) MDX Work Program No. 92404; SR 924 Extension West to the HEFT (\$5,200,000)
- Endorsement of Advance Acquisition of Parcel 100

Mr. Toledo informed Members that the purchase of Parcel 100 is required for the construction of and the drainage requirements for the SR 924 Extension West to the Homestead Extension of the Florida Turnpike Project. MDX's initial offer for this vacant unimproved parcel was \$4,306,000.00 (\$13/SF) on January 10, 2017 based on MDX's approved independent appraisal. After extensive negotiations with the Property Owner a settlement was reached for \$5,200,000.00.

Mr. Martinez moved to endorse the advance acquisition of Parcel 100 for MDX project 92404. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously endorsed.

- F) MDX Work Program No. 87410; SR 874 Ramp Connector to 128th Street
- Endorsement of Eminent Domain Parcel Resolutions 17-02

Mr. Toledo informed Members that the adoption of this Eminent Domain Parcel Resolution will facilitate the acquisition of real property necessary to construct the SR 874 Ramp Connector to SW 128th Street.

Based on a recent requirement by the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department, MDX now needs to acquire two additional parcels for utility purposes. Should negotiations fail, MDX shall begin Eminent Domain proceedings to ensure the construction of MDX Project 87410 is not delayed. Secretary Wolfe moved to approve resolution No. 17-02. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A) MDX Work Program Monthly Status Report – May 2017
- B) HNTB SBE/LB Utilization Report
- C) EAC SBE/LB Utilization Report
- D) MDX Contingency Release History Report
- E) Procurement Report

The Informational Items were not addressed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Budget Workshop 6/27/17, 2:00 PM, William M. Lehman MDX Building – Board Room
- Budget & Finance Committee Meeting 6/27/17, 2:30 PM, William M. Lehman MDX Building – Board Room
- Board Meeting and Election of Officers, 6/27/17, 4:00 PM, William M. Lehman MDX Building – Board Room

Mr. Rodriguez informed Members that Staff is available for Budget briefings prior to the scheduled workshop on June 27, 2017. He also informed Members on the significant staffing changes made with the purpose of right-sizing the Authority.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Ms. Gutierrez

Minutes prepared by Maria Luisa Navia Lobo, Board Secretary