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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

May 25, 2017

TO:

Brenda Billingsley, Director

Purchasing Division

THRU:

Chris Walton, Director

Transportation Department

FROM:

James Fourcade, Transit Director Maintenance

Transit Division

SUBJECT:

Request to Piggyback on Various Contracts for the Procurement of 30 MCI

Over-the-Road, Heavy Duty Commuter Coaches

The Broward County Transit Division (BCT) has an immediate need to secure a contract for the purchase of thirty (30) MCI commuter coaches and is requesting to piggyback on the following contracts:

- Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA), 10 MCI coaches
 - AVTA piggybacked on Victor Valley Transportation Authority's Agreement with MCI, dated March 21, 2014
- Roaring Fork Transit Authority (RFTA), 8 MCI coaches
 - Solicitation No. 15-014, Accessible Commuter Coach Consortium Purchase dated December 10, 2015
- Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC), 12 MCI coaches
 - Solicitation No. 15-014, Accessible Commuter Coach Consortium Purchase dated December 10, 2015

Presently, BCT has approximately 14 MCI commuter coaches. The purchase of additional coaches will support the division's annual needs of vehicle replacement, projected express service demands, and added capacity and expansion of service (in accordance with the Joint Participation Agreements between Broward County and Florida Department of Transportation).

The benefits of using the aforementioned contracts include:

 MCI committed to deliver the coaches within a twelve month window if the order is submitted by June 9, 2017, as opposed to the industry standard lead-time of approximately fourteen (14) to eighteen (18) months from the notice to proceed.

- Avoiding abutting scheduled orders MCI already committed to other transit agencies.
- These contracts (including options) with MCI meets the County's technical specifications.
- This purchase is time sensitive, and will minimize operational and administrative support needed to prepare and complete a bid.
- The provision of additional stocking of parts, which is more cost effective.
- Reduction of the time spent and cost for BCT and the Purchasing Division in processing individual bids for the purchase of commuter coaches.

The Federal Transit Administration allows transit systems to purchase vehicles on a piggyback of other transit contracts and procurements that were bid (competitively) in compliance with the FTA and APTA guidelines. BCT previously purchased MCI commuter coaches in 2014, through the solicitation process, bid no. V1197409B1.

Therefore, BCT is requesting approval to piggyback on AVTA's, RFTA's, and PRTC's contract with MCI for the purchase of 30 over-the-road, heavy-duty, commuter coaches, including parts, training and manuals.



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May 4, 2017

TO:

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Purchasing Division

THRU:

Chris Walton, Director

Transportation Department

FROM:

James Fourcade, Transit Director Maintenance

Transit Division

SUBJECT: Request to Piggyback on the Metropolitan Council (Metro Transit) Contract

12P227, for the Procurement of 184 forty-foot, low floor Transit Buses,

issue date January 13, 2013

The Broward County Transit Division (BCT) has an immediate need to secure a contract for the purchase of thirty (30) transit buses and is requesting to piggyback on Metro Transit's contract #12P227 with Gillig, LLC., for the procurement of 184 forty-foot, low floor, diesel transit buses (with an option to purchase up to 221 additional transit buses).

Presently, BCT has approximately 30 older model buses purchased in 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2008 that are experiencing increasing maintenance issues affecting performance reliability and are due for replacement. These buses have been the core of the transit fleet and exceeded its 12-year useful life and/or operating in excess of 500,000 miles.

The benefits of using Metro Transit's contract include:

- Gillig committed to deliver the buses within a twelve month window if order is submitted by May 30, 2017, as oppose to the industry standard lead-time of approximately fourteen (14) to eighteen (18) months from the notice to proceed.
- Avoiding abutting scheduled orders Gillig already committed to other transit agencies.
- Metro Transit's contract (including options) with Gillig meets the County's technical specifications.
- This purchase is time sensitive, and will minimize operational and administrative support needed to prepare and complete a bid.
- The provision of additional stocking of parts, which is more cost effective.
- Reduction of the time spent and cost for BCT and the Purchasing Division in processing individual bids for the purchase of transit buses.

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The Federal Transit Administration allows transit systems to purchase vehicles on a piggyback of other transit contracts and procurements that were bid (competitively) in compliance with the FTA and APTA guidelines. BCT previously purchased diesel-powered, low floor, articulated buses in 2014, piggybacking off an agreement between Rochester-Genesee Regional Transportation Authority and New Flyer of America, Inc.

Therefore, BCT is requesting approval to piggybacking on Metro Transit's contract with Gillig, LLC., for the purchase of 30 forty-foot, low floor, diesel transit buses, including parts, training and manuals.