



Agenda Item No. 4

To: Building and Operating Committee/Committee of the Whole
Meeting of September 27, 2007

From: Kary H. Witt, Deputy General Manager, Bridge Division
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Subject: **AUTHORIZE AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 2008-B-3-CMAS, GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE VIDEO SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT, TO METRO VIDEO SYSTEMS, INC. RELATIVE TO CALIFORNIA MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (CMAS) CONTRACT NO. 3-00-58-0151A.**

Recommendation

The Building and Operating Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize award of Contract No. 2008-B-3-CMAS, *Golden Gate Bridge Video Surveillance Equipment*, to Metro Video Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$273,714, for the purchase of video surveillance equipment through California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract No. 3-00-58-0151A. Funds for this project are included in FY 07/08 Bridge Division Capital Budget.

This matter will be presented to the Board of Directors at its September 28, 2007, meeting for appropriate action.

Summary

The District is a recipient of a \$200,000 Federal Department of Homeland Security Urban Area Security Initiative grant for physical security upgrades at the Golden Gate Bridge.

Consistent with the eligibility requirements of the grant, the District has determined to use these federal funds for installation of critical security equipment, generally consisting of additional and replacement cameras at various locations on the Bridge, as well as a state of the art digital recording system.

Under the terms of the grant, the funds need to be spent and the equipment received by the District by November 2007. Time is, therefore, of the essence in making this important procurement.

District staff determined that the video surveillance equipment could be purchased on the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS). Only by utilizing the CMAS system, instead of undertaking an independent procurement process, can the District secure the necessary equipment in time to meet the grant deadline.

The CMAS system is a multiple award schedule based on the Federal General Services Administration model. CMAS offers a wide variety of commodity and information technology products and services at prices that the state has assessed to be fair, reasonable, and competitive. Public Contract Code Sections 10298 and 10299 allow the District to take advantage of the CMAS program and receive the same volume pricing, generous discounts, extensive selection of items, and high-quality service that are available to state agencies.

District staff, in consultation with the District's Attorney, has determined that this Contract was originally issued by the Federal General Services Administration. Both the Federal and State governments have therefore determined that the prices offered are fair, reasonable, and competitive. In order to assure a maximum level of open competition, and to replicate as closely as possible under these exigent circumstances a Low Bid procurement process, the District's Procurement Department invited sealed bids from other vendors on the CMAS schedule and determined that Metro Video Systems' bid was the lowest price.

Board approval of this procurement is necessary not only because the amount of the procurement exceeds the General Manager's authority, but also because the amount of the procurement exceeds the District's ordinary limit on CMAS procurements.

Fiscal Impact

The Bridge Security Enhancement Project is included in the FY 07/08 Bridge Division Capital Budget at a cost of \$200,000 and is 100% federally funded. The additional cost of \$73,714 will be funded by the South Approach Security Enhancements project and is also included in the FY 2007/2008 Bridge Division Capital Budget.