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To: File

Re: Board of Awards, Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Attending: D. Garrick, Finance Director
R. Edwards, Assistant Corporation Counsel
N. Ballwig, Legal Secretary, Office of the Corporation Counsel
D. Petrovich, Assistant City Engineer
T. Altermatt, Engineer, Engineering Dept.
P. Ridenhour, Police Chief
T. Nolan, Superintendent of Public Services
R. Thode, Fire Chief
W. Lounsbury, Assistant Fire Chief
D. Day, Superintendent of Public Utilities
S. Hanley, Superintendent of Public Buildings
F. Gentile, Manager of Information Technology
D. Natale, Assistant Purchasing Agent
C. Volpe, Purchasing Agent

The Board of Awards convened at 10:00 A.M. in the Purchasing Dept. Conference Room (virtual meeting – attendees via Zoom conference call) to consider the following:

Bid #02-20-21-06 “Rehabilitation of Bridge #04176 – Kennedy Avenue over Still River – Engineering Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that two bids were received, and that the apparent low bidder was McNamee Construction at a summation of \$2,627,000.00. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that Mr. Antonio Iadarola, Director of Public Works/City Engineer, submitted a memo, dated June 5, 2023, in which he indicated that the low bid exceeded the estimated budget estimate and available funding for this project. Mr. Petrovich moved to reject the bids at this time. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion. Mr. Petrovich stated that the Engineering Dept. would modify the scope of work and issue a new bid as soon as possible. The motion was then carried unanimously.

“Ammunition – Police Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that the Police Dept. submitted a requisition, made out to Eagle Point Gun, to purchase various types of ammunition in various quantities in the total quoted amount of \$69,800.24. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that Eagle Point Gun quoted the requisitioned items per their current State of CT contract award. Chief Ridenhour moved to award the requisitioned ammunition to Eagle Point Gun per the State contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

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Bid #05-20-21-04 “Automotive and Truck Replacement Parts” Mr. Volpe reported that this bid was previously awarded for a one-year period to Advance Auto Parts, Fleetpride, Levine Automotive/Parts Authority and LoStocco Auto Parts. Mr. Volpe informed that the current award period is expiring on June 30, 2023, and that the bid award may be extended for an additional year by mutual consent. Mr. Volpe reported that all four awarded vendors have corresponded that they would be willing to hold their current discount schedules for an additional year. Mr. Nolan moved to extend the bid award with each of the four vendors for an additional year as offered. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

Bid #05-21-22-01 “Safety Apparel – Fire Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that this bid was previously awarded for a one-year period to Brigham Industries and Firematic Supply. Mr. Volpe noted that Brigham Industries was awarded Items #1 – #7 and #9 and #10, and that Firematic Supply was awarded Items #8 and #11. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that the current award period is expiring on June 15, 2023, and that the bid award may be renewed for an additional year by mutual consent. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that both vendors have corresponded that they would like to renew their bid awards for an additional year and provided updated pricing for consideration based upon increased costs from their manufacturers. Mr. Volpe detailed the proposed pricing as follows: for Brigham Industries, Item 1 – Turnout Coat from \$1,775.00 to \$1,829.00, Item 2 – Night Hitch from \$1,289.00 to \$1,420.00, Item 3 – Leather Helmet from \$1,029.00 to \$1,059.00, Item 4 – Composite Helmet from \$469.00 to \$489.00, Item 5 – Firefighter Front Shield from \$75.00 to \$79.00, Item 6 – Officer Front Shield from \$79.00 to \$81.00, Item 7 – Chief Front Shield from \$199.00 to \$225.00, Item 9 – Belt from \$178.00 to \$185.00, Item 10 – Black Leather Insulated Boots from \$380.00 to \$435.00, and for Firematic, Item 8 – Gloves from \$86.00 to \$89.00 and Item 11 – Hoods from \$111.00 to \$139.25. Mr. Volpe noted that Deputy Chief Joseph Halas spent a great deal of time in working with the vendors to be comfortable with their requested price increases. Chief Thode moved to extend the bid award with both vendors and to allow for the adjusted prices as requested. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

“Professional Services to assist with the Kenosia Wellfield Groundwater Treatment System Project – Public Utilities Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Day submitted an agreement to have Veolia Water provide the subject services in the total amount of \$60,000.00. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that Veolia Water would be performing these services as additional to their current operating agreement with the City of Danbury for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Day moved to award the subject services to Veolia Water as per their operating agreement with the City of Danbury for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, contingent upon execution of the professional services agreement and the availability of funds. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

“2023 Hydropneumatic Tank Inspections – Public Utilities Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Day submitted a proposal from Tata & Howard, dated January 6, 2023, to perform the subject work in the total budgetary amount of \$40,000.00. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that Tata & Howard proposed the work as per their current on-call services contract with the City of Danbury. Mr. Day moved to award the proposed work to Tata & Howard as per their on-call services contract with the City of Danbury, contingent upon approval of funds. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

“Wastewater Treatment Facility Service Agreement Extension – Public Utilities Dept.”

Mr. Volpe reported that this service had previously been awarded to Veolia Water for a five-year period, which will expire on June 30, 2023. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that the expiring service agreement allowed for two one-year renewal periods by mutual consent. Mr. Volpe reported that Veolia Water sent a letter to Mr. Day, dated June 5, 2023, in which they indicated their desire to extend the existing service agreement for the first of the optional two one-year renewals. Mr. Day moved to extend the service agreement with Veolia Water for the first of the options two one-year renewals and to allow either himself or Mr. Antonio Iadarola, Director of Public Works/City Engineer, to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Danbury. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

“Door Replacements at Danbury Public School Beaver Brook Administration Building – Public Buildings Dept.”

Mr. Volpe reported that the Public Buildings Dept. submitted a requisition, made out to BMP Construction, to have the subject work performed in the total proposed amount of \$75,508.09. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that BMP Construction proposed the work as per their current Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) on-call construction services contract. Mr. Hanley moved to award the requisitioned work to BMP Construction as per the CRCOG on-call construction services contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion. Mr. Garrick inquired as to the reason for the door replacements. Mr. Hanley informed the Board that the existing doors were quite old, not working properly and beyond repair. The motion was then carried unanimously.

“Repairs/Improvements to Danbury High School Men’s Bathroom – Public Buildings Dept.”

Mr. Volpe reported that the Public Buildings Dept. submitted a requisition, made out to BMP Construction, to have the subject work performed in the total proposed amount of \$63,615.29. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that BMP Construction proposed the work as per their current Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) on-call construction services contract. Mr. Hanley moved to award the requisitioned work to BMP Construction as per the CRCOG on-call construction services contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

“Network Security Appliance Replacement – IT Dept.”

Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Gentile submitted a proposal from Computer Integrated Services (CIS), dated May 8, 2023, to perform this work in the total amount of \$140,040.00. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that, along with the proposal, Mr. Gentile included a request to have this work performed as a change order to the current IT Support contract between the City of Danbury and CIS. Mr. Gentile moved to award the proposed work to CIS, contingent upon execution of the noted contract change order. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion. Mr. Gentile noted that this was a lifecycle replacement. The motion was then carried unanimously.

“Data Entry, Application Configuration & Administrative Services – IT Dept.”

Mr. Volpe informed the Board that these services were previously awarded to TEK Systems for fiscal year 2022 – 2023 at a billing rate of \$43.50 per hour. Mr. Volpe noted that the services were awarded to TEK Systems per their current Omnia government cooperative contract. Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Gentile submitted a memo, dated June 5, 2023, in which he is requesting an extension of these services into fiscal year 2023 – 2024 at the same billing rate of \$43.50 per hour, per the same TEK Systems Omnia contract, in an amount not to exceed \$9,135.00. Mr. Gentile moved to award the subject services to TEK

Systems as indicated per the Omnia contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion. Mr. Gentile informed the Board that the resource from TEK System will be hired as an employee by the City of Danbury and the need for the contract services will end once the hiring process has been completed. The motion was then carried unanimously.

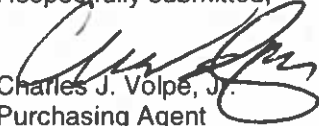
“Applications Support Integrator Services – IT Dept.” Mr. Volpe informed the Board that these services were previously awarded to TEK Systems for fiscal year 2022 – 2023 at a billing rate of \$59.00 per hour. Mr. Volpe noted that the services were awarded to TEK Systems per their current Omnia government cooperative contract. Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Gentile submitted a memo, dated June 5, 2023, in which he is requesting an extension of these services into fiscal year 2023 – 2024 at the billing rate of \$64.00 per hour, per the same TEK Systems Omnia contract, in an amount not to exceed \$73,600.00. Mr. Gentile moved to award the subject services to TEK Systems as indicated per the Omnia contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion. Mr. Gentile informed the Board that the plan is to hire a fulltime employee next year to take the place of this contract position. The motion was then carried unanimously.

“Public Safety System Administrator Services – IT Dept.” Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Gentile submitted a memo, dated June 5, 2023, in which he is requesting to contract with TEK Systems to provide these services for fiscal year 2023 – 2024 at a straight time billing rate of \$82.42 per hour and an overtime rate of \$123.63 per hour, per their Omnia government cooperative contract award, in an amount not to exceed \$159,892.00. Mr. Gentile moved to award the subject services to TEK Systems as indicated per the Omnia contract. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

Bid #03-22-23-07 “RFQ – Special Services Audit – Ambulance Services” Mr. Volpe reported that two bids were received. Mr. Garrick informed the Board that he reviewed the two submissions with Mrs. Sengdao Bergmann, Senior Accountant. Mr. Garrick then moved to award the bid to PKF O’Connor Davies based upon their cost proposal, their direct knowledge of the Ambulance Services as the incumbent and their excellent history of keeping the actual cost of the audit within their estimates, contingent upon the execution of an acceptable professional services agreement. Attorney Edwards seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

Having no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Volpe asked for a motion to adjourn. Attorney Edwards made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Garrick seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously. The Board of Awards adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Charles J. Volpe, Jr.
Purchasing Agent

cc: All Attendees
Mayor Esposito
J. Giegler
A. Iadarola
S. Kaminski
N. Wagner