

RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH CHICAGO WOMEN IN TRADES (CWIT) FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Ratify an agreement with Chicago Women In Trades (CWIT) to provide consulting services to the Bureau of Compliance and Vendor Services, Department of Procurement and Contracts at a cost not to exceed \$51,131.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis based on CWIT's performance on two previous contracts for the same services. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. Consultant shall provide no services and no payment shall be made to consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification: 01-250161

CONSULTANT: Chicago Women In Trades (CWIT)
1649 West Adams, Suite 400
Chicago, IL 60612
Contact Person: Jackie Lynn Coleman
Phone No: (312) 942-1444 Fax: (312) 942-0802
Vendor No.: 40203

USER: Department of Procurement & Contracts
Bureau of Compliance and Vendor Services
125 S. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact Person: Stephanie Suttles
Phone No.: (773) 553-2980

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2001 and shall end on March 30, 2002. This agreement shall have 1 option to renew for a 3 months period.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: CWIT will provide the following services for the Capital Improvement Program:

- Provide one full-time compliance officer/site inspector to attend pre-construction meetings and perform visual monitoring of the general contractors to ensure M/WBE, EEO, City Residency and the prevailing wage compliance on Chicago Public Schools construction sites.
- Provide specialized outreach to women experienced in the trades for construction related CIP employment referrals, offering referrals.
- Provide services and develop liaisons with community-based organizations for employment referral services of community residents for targeted projects. Consultant to be assigned from Mondays through Thursdays in the field from 7a.m. to 3 p.m. and to be in-house on Fridays from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant's services shall include visual inspections of all construction sites. Consultant shall prepare and submit weekly reports on each site visit performed. Consultant will also provide reports on any irregularities found at any of these sites. Consultant shall prepare reports on all negotiated construction contracts.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will help ensure the success of the Capital Improvement Program through increased participation of M/WBEs on CPS construction projects.

COMPENSATION: Compensation for services shall be based on a hourly rate of \$15.99 to be invoiced monthly, not to exceed a total amount of \$51,131.00

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: Consultant shall be reimbursed for the following expenses: not in excess of \$2,000 for travel expenses. The total compensation amount reflected herein is inclusive of all reimbursable expenses.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Purchasing Officer to execute any ancillary documents.

LSC REVIEW: The Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Vendor agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions for the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation (M/WBE Plan).

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Department of Procurement and Contracts
Budget Classification No. 0240-210-000-1004-5410 - \$28,492.00 (FY 2001)
Budget Classification No. 0240-477-000-1142-5410 - \$ 4,423.00 (FY 2001)
Budget Classification No. 0240-477-000-1004-5410 - \$18,216.00 (FY 2001)
Fund 477 - Capital Improvement
Fund 210 - General Fund

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to this agreement hereby acknowledges that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Board have the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.


Conflicts - This contract is not legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105/ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board of Education Indebtedness Policy (95-0726-EX3) adopted July 26, 1995, as amended on June 26, 1996, (96-0626-PO3,) is hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Contract as if fully set forth herein.

Ethics - The Board of Education Ethics Code (95-0927-RU4) as adopted September 27, 1995, as amended on April 21, 1999 (99-0421-PO2), is hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Contract as if fully set forth herein.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal budget(s).

Approved for consideration:


Natalya Paquin, Esq.
Chief Purchasing Officer

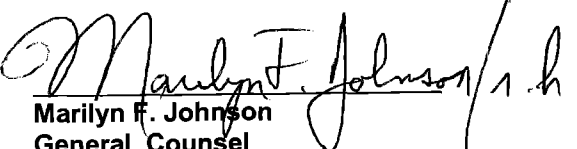
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel