

AMEND BOARD REPORT 01-0627-PR1
APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DARC CORPORATION
FOR DATABASE CONSULTING SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with DARC Corporation to provide database consulting services to the Department of Procurement and Contracts at a cost not to exceed \$130,000. ~~\$202,000~~. Consultant was selected on a competitive basis because consultant was the most qualified of the seven (7) respondents to an expedited request for quote/proposal issued by Procurement and Contracts. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant 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 agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

This amendment is necessary to increase the dollar amount of the contract by \$72,000. Additional funding is required because the requirements and scope required for each project milestone increased significantly after the requirements were defined in detail at the beginning of the project and because documentation and training have been added to the scope. In particular, tracking contracts and board reports in detail became a new requirement. A written amendment to the Contract is currently being negotiated. No payment for these additional services shall be made prior to the execution of the written amendment. The authority granted in this amended Board Report shall automatically rescind in the event a written amendment is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this amended Board Report.

Specification No.: 01-250151

CONSULTANT: DARC Corporation
125 S. Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606
Contact: Tom Brennan
312-338-5000x108
Vendor #: 33664

USER: Department of Procurement and Contracts
125 S. Clark St., 10th Fl.
Contact person: Benjamin Ho, Director, Technology & Systems Mgmt.
773-553-2280

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end 18 months after the date on which the Department of Procurement and Contracts issues a notice to proceed to Consultant.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board has the right to terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: The Department maintains an M/WBE database to track M/WBE participation in contracts. Consultant will enhance the Department's M/WBE database to provide significantly enhanced reporting capability, track additional information, obtain purchase order and payment information directly from the Oracle financial system, ~~and allow for electronic submission of monitoring information.~~ Consultant will also create a system for allowing vendors to apply for a vendor number electronically on a web site, and which will track board report and contract information. Consultant will also develop user documentation and provide user training.

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- As part of preparing the M/WBE database, prepare an electronic system for tracking contracts and board reports in Oracle.
- Develop user documentation and provide user training.
- ~~Prepare an electronic system for vendors to submit monthly M/WBE compliance information~~
- ~~Prepare an electronic system for allowing vendors to apply for a vendor number on-line~~

OUTCOMES: Consultants' services will result in the development of an enhanced M/WBE Database which is capable of obtaining purchasing and payment information directly from the Oracle Financial System and ~~which is capable of receiving electronic submission of monitoring information and allow vendors to apply for a vendor number on the Purchasing Department web site.~~

COMPENSATION: Consultant will be paid at the rate of \$100 per hour. Such fee shall include all professional fees and all actual travel and out of pocket expenses. Consultant shall be paid when invoiced upon completion of each project milestone as detailed in the written agreement not to exceed the sum of ~~\$430,000. \$202,000.~~

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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 all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: ~~The products and services to be delivered by the vendor are subject to the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for M/WBE Economic participation. Every good faith effort will be made by the vendor to achieve compliance with the applicable goals. The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.~~

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the participation goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) be granted due to this contract being not further divisible. The vendor has however, identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total MBE 35%

Total African American 35%

Optima Business Systems
1130 S. Michigan
Chicago, IL 60605

\$ 25,200.00 35 %

certified until April 30, 2007

The City of Chicago Department of Procurement Services certifies each identified firm. The identified firms are subject to change upon approval from the Division of Compliance and Vendor Services in the Procurement and Contracts' Department without further Board approval.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Department of Procurement and Contracts: \$130,000+ \$72,000 Fiscal Year: 2001 and FY2003

Budget Classification: 0240-477-000-1004-5410: \$80,000
0240-210-000-1144-5410: \$50,000
0240-210-000-1382-5410: \$71,160
0240-210-000-1004-5990: \$840

Source of Funds: General Fund 210 & Capital Fund 477

Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board’s Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

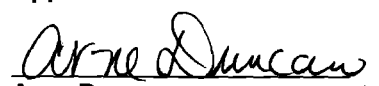
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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 year budget(s).

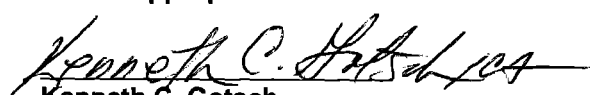
Approved for Consideration:


Anita Rocha
Acting 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