GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT

Agency: Department of General Services

Caption: Additional Snow Removal Capacity

Contractor: Daylily Landscaping, LLC.

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Code Section 2-354.05 and 27 DCMR Chapter 47, Section 4719.

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of General Services (DGS) has an immediate need for a Contractor to provide emergency snow and ice removal and pretreatment services for a period of up to 90 days.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated fair and reasonable price is not to exceed $300,000.00.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT:

The purpose of this emergency procurement is to prevent an imminent threat to public health, welfare, property, and safety, and to prevent serious disruption in agency operations. It is the mission of DGS to provide first rate snow and ice removal services at District Government facilities and to elevate the quality of life for its citizens.

In accordance with D.C. Code § 10-551.01(b)(4) (The Department of General Services Establishment Act of 2011), the Department of General Services is responsible for providing building services for facilities owned and occupied by the District government.

These services include snow and ice removal and pretreatment services for DC Public Schools and municipal facilities. The Facility Management Division (FMD) provides management, maintenance, engineering, and janitorial services for over three hundred (300) owned and leased properties. These include office buildings, warehouses, residential facilities, and vacant schools and properties.

Currently DGS has three contracts in place to handle snow and ice removal and pretreatment services. Additional snow and ice removal resources are needed to ensure that DGS has enough capability to provide snow and ice removal services through the end of the snow and ice season. In consideration of not knowing the actual snow fall accumulation total, and lessons learned from the District's snow challenge last year (characterized by insufficient resource deployment, late arrivals, no shows, insufficient advance planning) this emergency procurement is put into effect for 90 days from the date of award). This procurement enables the Department to free up and deploy experienced on-call responders under contract, to high traffic/higher priority locations with the secondary but important outcome of testing and building the capability of SBE resources in the performance of this critical, seasonal service. The SBE contingent will be deployed to lower priority locations and their performance will be tracked with recommendations provided to the affected SBE vendor, DSLBD's Small Business Resource Center and PTAC to enhance future performance and to establish a pipeline of capable SBEs to compete in this market space.

An emergency contract with Daylily Landscaping, LLC, is needed to prevent serious disruption in agency operations and to prevent an imminent threat to the health and safety of the public. An interim competitive contract is not practicable under these circumstances because of the potential disruption to services and the expenses and time associated with start-up of a new contractor on a short term basis. DGS does not have sufficient in-house snow removal capacity needed.

5. CERTIFICATION BY THE FACILITIES SERVICES MANAGER :

I hereby certify that the above findings are correct and complete.

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Date

Spencer Davis
Deputy Director Facilities Management

6. CERTIFICATION BY THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the emergency method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of this emergency procurement action will be published in accordance with 27 DCMR 4719.5.

Date

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