

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES



Contracts & Procurement

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR AN
EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT**

CAPTION: Fire Watch Services at Hart Middle School
AGENCY: Department of General Services
CONTRACTOR: DC Life Safety, LLC
CONTRACT NO: DCAM-21-NC-EM-0006

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.05 and 27 DCMR 4719

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia, Department of General Services (“Department” or “DGS”), Facilities Management Division has an urgent need for *DC Life Safety, LLC* (“Contractor”) to continue providing Fire Watch Services at Hart Middle School on an emergency basis for a period of up to five (5) weeks.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated fair and reasonable price for this emergency contract is One Hundred Four Thousand, One Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$104,160.00).

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AN EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT:

It is the mission of DGS to provide first rate maintenance at District government facilities, including schools, and to ensure a safe environment for the citizens, employees and visitors of the District of Columbia. In accordance with the D.C. Official Code §2-354.05 and 27 DCMR 4719, the purpose of this emergency procurement is to prevent an imminent threat to public health, welfare, safety and property; and to prevent disruption in daily operations at Hart Middle School. Furthermore, this emergency procurement will prevent potentially unsafe conditions for residents, employees and visitors of the property.

This emergency procurement is in response to a fire code violation report for Hart Middle School. The violation calls for immediate abatement by way of fire watch and panel replacement. Due to the safety risks, the Department has determined that it is in the best interest of the district for the above contractor to provide services under an emergency contract.

The Contractor referenced above is the only vendor who can meet the District’s minimum need without disruption of services at this time and the estimated cost to the District is fair and reasonable based on DGS’ historical data on similar services. Moreover, a competitive procurement process was not practicable under these circumstances. As previously stated, failure to provide fire watch services would result in disruption of the daily operations and would quickly create potential life safety issue for residents, employees and visitors of Hart Middle School.

5. CERTIFICATION BY THE FACILITIES DEPUTY DIRECTOR:

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


November 30, 2020
Date


Donny Gonzalez
Deputy Director | Facilities Management

6. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the emergency procurement method to award the captioned contract award to *DC Life Safety, LLC*. In addition, please be advised that the Department’s notice of the captioned emergency contract must be posted on the Department’s website no more than seven (7) days after the contract is awarded. Given the foregoing, I recommend that the Department of General Services’ Chief Contracting Officer approve the use of the emergency procurement method for this proposed procurement action.

November 30, 2020
Date


Franklin Austin, CPM, CPPB
Contracting Officer

7. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT | CHIEF CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the emergency procurement method under the cited authority. I certify that the emergency procurement notice of contract award will be published in accordance with Section 405(f) of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Official Code §2-354.05). In conclusion, the Department of General Services (DGS), Chief Contracting Officer approves the use of the Emergency Procurement method as the only viable method of procurement to prevent serious disruption in the Department’s services at *Hart Middle School*.

November 30, 2020
Date



George G. Lewis, CPPO

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Chief of Contracts and Procurement