DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Purchasing Agency: Department of General Services
User Agency: District Department Of Transportation (DDOT)
Caption: A&E Title II Services – In support of the Construction of the DDOT’s Materials Testing Laboratory
Proposed Contractor: DLR Group (formerly SORG)

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Code Section 2-354.04 and DCMR 47, Section 4718.

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of General Services (DGS) has an immediate need to engage the services of DLR Group for the AE Design Title II Services required for the construction of DDOT’s Materials Testing Laboratory being the Architect and Engineer of Record for the completed AE Title I services that included development and production of the drawings and Specifications.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated fair and reasonable price to provide the required Architectural & Engineering (AE) Title II services is approximately $200,000.00.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY A SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The DDOT Material Testing Laboratory at 350 McMillan Drive NW, Washington DC is a 9,425 sq. ft. facility located on a 1/2 acre Lot at the intersection of 4th Street and McMillan Drive NW. The existing facility is operated by the District of Columbia DDOT and serves as the only Construction Materials Testing Laboratory in the District of Columbia.
DLR Group under contract with DDOT for the AE Title I Services developed the Construction Documents to include Bid and Permit Sets. The Bid Set is in DGS for implementation of the construction services and the Permit Set in DCRA for the necessary review and issuance of the Building Permit. DLR Group also completed the required historic review process and received the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) and the District’s (Historic Planning Review Board (HPRB) approvals of the conceptual designs of the planned improvements. The construction work includes selective demolition, and construction of the facility including but not limited to architectural, mechanical, plumbing, ADA and Historic Preservation work.

In line with construction industry standards and to streamline both the procurement of and execution of the construction services, DGS requires DLR Group to provide the following tasks under AE Title II Services;

- Review and appropriately respond to RFIs during the procurement of the construction services in DGS.
- Review Shop Drawings and products samples during construction.
- Evaluation of the Works by regular inspection and attendance of Site Meetings during construction.
- On satisfactory completion of the Work and as the AE of Record, prepare and sign-off on the Project Record Drawings.

The above ensures continuity of the needed AE Services and vital oversight of the project implementation.

DLR Group, formerly SORG has also worked with Teams in the successful execution of projects in DGS.

Based on the above facts, it is in the best interest of the District to authorize DLR Group as the A/E of record for the Title I Services to also provide the Title II to ensure continuity in the project implementation process and as a time and cost saving measure.

5. CERTIFICATION BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES:

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

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Date     Paul Blackman
Deputy Director
Capital Construction Services
6. **CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST:**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the single available source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source procurement action was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 4718 and that no response was received. I recommend that the Department of General Services, Associate Director/Chief Contracting Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed procurement action.

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Date     Ivan Thomas
Contract Specialist

**DETERMINATION**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

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Date     George G. Lewis, CPPO
Associate Director/Chief Contracting Officer