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INDEPENDENT PROCUREMENT REVIEW DIVISION

Independent Procurement Review Report

TO: Atlanta City Council

DATE: September 27, 2023

The purpose of this report is to communicate the results of the following solicitation.

Background

The Department of Aviation requested an Invitation for Bids for the project and scope shown below. Invitations for Bids are to be awarded to the lowest responsive or responsible bidder.

Solicitation#	IFB/DOA/2211-1230157
Project Name:	RW 10 Glideslope and RSA Improvement
Estimated Dollar Amount:	\$7,611,219
Term:	Four hundred and eighty-five (485) calendar days
Recommended Awardee:	Precision 2000, Inc.
DOP Responsive Bidders:	BRTU Construction, Inc. Precision 2000, Inc.
All Bidders:	BRTU Construction, Inc. Precision 2000, Inc.

Observations and Responses

Solicitation

Observation 1: This solicitation was previously cancelled under solicitation number IFB-C-1210153 after receiving five bids due to construction scheduling conflicts with other airfield projects.

IPro does not require a response from DOP for this observation.

Observation 2: DOP issued five addenda for this solicitation to revise the cover page twice, revise the minimum qualifications twice, change the date of the pre-bid conference, revise the minimum qualifications, remove and replace exhibits, modify the bid due date five times, and answer the vendor's questions. Too many addenda could indicate unclear specifications or unclear scope of work, which could also favor a particular proponent.

IPro does not require a response from DOP for this observation.

Observation 3: DOP received two bids for this solicitation which indicates limited competition.

IPro does not require a response from DOP for this observation.

Award

Observation 4: The user agency did not recommend awarding the contract to the lowest bidder. It cited unclear documentation of how work would be completed as well as work experience issues in support of awarding the contract to the second lowest bidder.

DOP Response: The Department of Procurement reviewed the rationale provided by the Department of Aviation to not award to the lowest bidder and supports the recommendation offer an award to Precision 2000.

The review yielded no additional findings.

Methodology

The Independent Procurement Division reviews the following stages of the procurement process:

- Initiation
- Solicitation
- Responsive Review
- Evaluation
- Award

In accordance with Atlanta City Charter Article 8, Section 8-107, and Section 2-1604 of the Atlanta Code of Ordinances, the Independent Procurement Review Division of the Office of the Inspector General must review all solicitations with an aggregate value of \$1,000,000 or greater seeking approval by the Atlanta City Council, for file completeness, conflicts of interest, and other areas of perceived deficiency; must review all cooperative purchase agreements and piggyback contracts with an aggregate value greater than \$1,000,000; and may conduct discretionary reviews of any value.