



PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting #13 of 2020
Thursday
DEC 3 2020
Conference Room 3028

PPC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Arek Joseph (Chairman)
Robert Bodden (Deputy Chairman)
Laura Panades-Estruch
Neyka Webster
Andrew Hulse
Andre Iton
Taraq Bashir
Robert Tatum
Shiann Palmer (Secretary)

PPC MEMBERS EXTENDING APPOLOGIES

Troy Whorms
Dr. Sidney Ebanks

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm on December 3 2020. The PPC decisions for each item on the agenda is recorded below:

1. PPC-2020-CTC-022-RFP – CTC is desirous of entering into contractual agreements for the purpose of acquiring turtle feed.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** this request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, and Mr. Walter Mustin concerning the submission. Mr. Mustin explained the nutritional issues being experienced by the Centre, and how through research a customized formula was being created, which would subsequently increase egg production.

Neyka Webster excused herself from this item.

2. PPC-2020-FED-032-RFP – CINICO is seeking a reinsurance partner to assume risk for its health insurance plan that covers Civil Servants/Dependents/Pensioner.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** this request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Frank Gallippi and Michael Gayle concerning the submission. The CINICO Panel explained that the reinsurance would cover 11,200 employees/dependents and pensioners, and that the total coverage being sought was 10.5M.

3. PPC-2020-EYSAL-038-DA - Ministry of Education is seeking to acquire an artificial field at WEPS in Cayman Brac.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to defer** this request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members and Mr. Clive Baker concerning the submission. Mr. Baker stated that he was not able to provide a firm estimate, but he was submitting a past estimate from a previous tender for a similar field at Bodden Town Primary School.

The Committee advised Mr. Baker that they could not consider the request because the criteria for a Direct Award from the Cayman Islands Regulations 5 was not specified. There was no firm quotation provided demonstrating value for money from the consolidation of projects as stated in the Direct Award Approval Form.

4. PPC-2020-EYSAL-031-RFP Ministry of Education is seeking a multi discipline team of consultants to prepare detailed work packages and design proposals for general contractors to bid on the new JGHS Campus and Sports Facility.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** the request.

A discussion was held between the Committee Members, Clive Baker, Wayne Riley and Peter Ranger. The Committee were satisfied by the procurement process, but expressed concerns that it was taking EYSAL several months to review and approve relatively small procurements, and that there should be a faster turnaround on these project. The EYSAL Panel explained that the EPC Chair had a significant day job and had issues finding the time to review and sign off documents, but the situation had since been reported to the Chief Officer.

The EYSAL Panel also extended an invitation to the PPC to visit the John Gray site sometime in March 2021.

Mr. Arek Joseph excused himself from this item and Mr. Robert Bodden acted as Chairman.

5. PPC-2020-DOT-004-RFP DOT is desirous in acquiring Marketing, Advertising and PR Services in Latin America.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** the request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Kimberlee McLean, Christina Smith and Gary Hendricks-Dominguez concerning the submission. The DOT Panel stated that they were interested in targeting more visitors from Latin America in case there was a catastrophic occurrence in the United States which could disrupt travel. They are seeking the full budget over a five year period (2021-2025).

The DOT Panel also explained that they were in talks currently with Copa and Avianca Airlines, and are hoping to develop routes out of Colombia and Panama in the near future.

Mrs. Neyka Webster excused herself from this item.

6. PPC-2020-NRA-033-RFP – NRA is desirous in establishing a framework agreement with quarry suppliers for Bulk Fill Materials used in road construction.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** the request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Edward Howard and Mark Scotland concerning the submission. The NRA Panel explained that no bidders were eliminated, they were all offering the same discounted price, and they would all be used by the NRA to fulfil the quantity. The contract is for a three year period (2020-2022).

7. PPC-2020-POCS-026-RFP – POCS wish to replace their existing system with a fit for purpose integrated HCM System which supports modernization function and practice of HRM in CIG

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to approve** the request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Jo Richards and Amol Pargaonkar concerning the submission. The POCS Panel stated that they had never worked with PDS before, and that the company was based in the United States. PDS was chosen because of their expertise in HR, the fact that they only deal with HR issues, and also because they would be offering support/maintenance of the system for a period of five years.

In acquiring this system the POCS Panel also said that they would be fulfilling the Auditor General recommendations identified in the OAG report of April 2018.

8. PPC-2020-EBC-034-RFP MEBC is seeking proponents to submit proposals for Fixed/Gantry operated X-Ray Cargo Inspection Solution.

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **NOT to approve** this request.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Justin Hislop, Vinton Chinsee, Michael Ebanks and Gary Wong. The EBC Panel stated that they currently had no scanner, and that the old one had become obsolete due to advancement in screening technology. They stressed the importance of the Cayman Islands having a functioning scanner in order to provide quick and efficient cargo screening.

The Committee advised the EBC Panel that the Local Impact Assessment in the Business Case was not completed and therefore was not considered in the EPC review and recommendation to the Chief Officer, also it was not included in the tender as part of the tender evaluation.

The above do not comply with Cayman Islands Procurement Regulations 3 and 20, and also Section 16, (part 6) in the Cayman Islands Procurement Law, and therefore could not be recommended by the Committee.

Termination of meeting 4.50 PM



**Chairman
Public Procurement Committee**