



PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting #2 of 2021

Thursday

FEB 4 2021

Conference Room 3028

PPC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Arek Joseph (Chairman)
Laura Panades-Estruch
Andrew Hulse
Andre Iton
Dr. Sidney Ebanks
Troy Whorms
Taraq Bashir
Robert Tatum
Shiann Palmer

PPC MEMBERS EXTENDING APPOLOGIES

Bobby Bodden
Neyka Webster

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm on February 4 2021. The PPC decisions for each item on the agenda is recorded below:

1. PPC-2020–EBC-049-RFP Annual purchase of Computers/Equipment by MEBC.

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members and Vinton Chinsee concerning the submission. Mr. Chinsee explained that this procurement was for their annual purchase of computers for several departments. He also stated that due to security risk, and different specification requirements, they would only be kept for 3 years, and the servers for five years.

The Committee suggested that in the future Mr. Chinsee could return to the bidders and request a best and final offer, before finalising the procurement.

2. PPC-2021–EBC-002-DA Weapons for the Cayman Islands Regiment.

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members and Lieutenant Colonel Simon Watson concerning the submission. Lieutenant Colonel Watson stated that there were 110 recruits in the Regiment, but they were looking to have a maximum of 175. All recruits would be licensed under the Regiment, as long as they were on active duty.

He explained that currently the RCIP had weapons from different suppliers, but the Government was looking to standardize their armed forces, so that there would be less issues with training and also cost. It was noted that an unknown location was being retrofitted so that the weapons would be properly secured.

3. PPC-2021 –CAL-035-RFQ Aviation Security Services for Cayman Airways Limited.

This item was deferred at a previous meeting of the PPC on January 14th 2021

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Fabian Whorms and Paul Tibbetts concerning the airline's insurance coverage, budget, and potential contract.

Mr. Tibbetts also stated that they would be returning to the PPC in the near future for the airline's ground handling contract.

After the consideration of the item #3, Committee Member Laura Panades-Estruch excused herself from the remainder of the meeting.

4. PPC-2020-CPI-046-RFP Desktop Application Suite for the Government's Computers/Laptops

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Darvy Whittaker, and Jovian Garcia concerning the upgrade of all Government Computers from Microsoft 2010 to Microsoft 2019.

The Committee stated that this particular request could not be approved because it is not compliant with Procurement Regulations 6 (3): 'A notice of opportunity shall be published for a minimum period of 15 working days before the closing date of the competition'. And also Regulation 20(2) (b): 'An entity shall undertake a formal local industry consultation as part of the project planning and appraisal phase for all procurement projects with a value of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or greater and the entity shall include the review of all submitted local industry impact statements in the procurement evaluation process through the inclusion of a specific evaluation criterion.'

Termination of meeting 4.25 PM

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**Chairman
Public Procurement Committee**

