



**PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE**

**Meeting #12 of 2020**

**Thursday**

**Nov 5 2020**

**Conference Room 3028**

**PPC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Arek Joseph (Chairman)  
Robert Bodden  
Neyka Webster  
Andrew Hulse  
Laura Panades-Estruch  
Sidney Ebanks ( Zoom)  
Taraq Bashir (Observer)  
Robert Tatum (Observer)  
Shiann Palmer (Secretary)

**PPC MEMBERS EXTENDING APPOLOGIES:**

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**The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm on November 5 2020. The PPC decisions for each item on the agenda is recorded below:**

**1. PPC-2020-CPI-085 –RFP Construction of Dock Coe Wood Beach.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members and Mr. Charles Brown concerning the submission. Mr. Brown explained that this project originated in 2009 but had to be abandoned due to several issues. In 2020 it was brought back, and an engineer was hired to investigate and was able to put forth new methodology and subsequently brought an unbuildable project to buildable. He stated the coastal works license had since been extended, Robson Construction had met all the requirements of the RFP, and it was his belief that they could handle any risk with the project moving forward. The Committee asked if he believed that Government was getting value for their money and Mr Brown stated he was sure that they were, and it was evident by the design and the cost of the project.

One PPC Member voted no on this item.

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**2. PPC-2020-NRA-011-DA NRA request for a Direct Award for their Hot Mix Asphalt Programme.**

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted to **approve** the Direct Award.

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Mr. Edward Howard and Mr. Brian Chin Yee of The NRA. Mr. Howard explained that The NRA was not into manufacturing hot mix and had no plans to do so. They currently do not have the resources or believe they were capable of running a plant on island. He said the aggregate was not the issue, but the transport of the aggregate is why the process was so costly.

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**3. PPC-2020-FSHA-13-RFP Department of Public Safety supply and installation of Communication Tower.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Julian Lewis, Alan Robinson, and Mr. Lee Mathison concerning the submission. Mr. Lewis explained that a new communication tower was being built on Crown Land, but the old tower would still be in use by the Prison Department. A bunker was also planned but they would have to return to The PPC in the near future for that project.

He also stated that several radio stations were currently using the tower, and would be experiencing some downtime once construction of the new tower began.

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**4. PPC-2020-FSHA-05-RFP Ministry of Financial Services wish to procure the service of an international firm, to provide monitoring, advice, public affairs/Government Relation Support and Representation.**

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

A brief discussion was held between Mr. Joel Burke and the Committee. Mr. Burke explained that the Government was trying to achieve an international global network purely for public relations, the jurisdictions being looked at were The EU, USA and China. It would initially be for a three year period with an extension for a further two years (five years). Hill + Knowlton Strategies met the criteria of the RFP, and they were looking forward to forging a successful relationship with them.

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**5. PPC-2020-CPI-018-RFP Bodden Town Church of God Multipurpose Hall/Disaster Hurricane Shelter**

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

A discussion was held between the Committee Members and Mr. Charles Brown concerning the submission. Mr. Brown explained that the Government had identified The Bodden Town Church of God as a potential Class 1 Shelter, which is urgently needed in the district. He stated that Cabinet had already granted approval of funds for construction and completion of the multipurpose hall.

The Committee raised concerns that the property was not owned by the Government, and there was no legal binding agreement in place that would secure their interest, if the property was eventually sold. The Committee then recommended that a 'Caution' be placed on the property at the Land Registry Department before construction commence.

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**6. PPC-2020-CPI-022-RFP DVES redevelopment phase 2 – Demolition of existing garage, storage and administrative building, and construction of a new facility.**

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

Mr. Robert Bodden briefed the Committee Members on his visit to the site and stated that from what he observed the redevelopment project should go well. Mr. Dennis Harris of DVES explained that no contract had yet been signed, it was a fixed lump sum contract and that Phase 1 had been completed over a year ago. The redevelopment was being done in sections, so operations would be ongoing. No irrigation or landscape cost was included in the bid.

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**7. PPC-2020–DOT-006-RFP DOT is seeking proposals from prospective proponents to provide expert aviation and strategic direction on the Cayman Islands Planning and Route Development.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members, Mrs. Rosa Harris and Ms. Christina Smith concerning the submission. Mrs. Harris explained that Aviation Consultancy Services (UMB(Uk) Ltd. ASM) would be of great assistance in the rebound of Tourism for the Cayman Islands following Covid19, because of their extensive knowledge, and presence in The EU and the USA Markets. She also stated that all pricing/fees were accounted for within the contract sum.

Committee Member Neyka Webster excused herself from this item.

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**8. PPC-2020–EYSAL-023-RFP Ministry of Education is seeking additional and replacements of all wireless network equipment in the Government schools.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the Committee Members and Mr. Steven Durksen. Mr. Durksen explained that Information and Communications Technology continues to play a vital role across all subjects and is an essential tool for assessments, testing and administration purposes. Unified Technologies met the criteria, they had a long standing relationship, and also great customer service and delivery.

**Termination of meeting at 5.00 pm**



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**Chairman  
Public Procurement Committee**