



PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting #4 of 2023

Thursday

APR 6 2023

Room 2024

PPC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Arek Joseph (Chairman)
Elke Rose
Andrew Hulse
Tristan Hydes
Rhonda Kelly
Taraq Bashir (Non Member)
Robert Tatum (Acting Secretary)

PPC MEMBERS EXTENDING APPOLOGIES

Dr Sidney Ebanks
Neyka Webster
Laura Panades- Estruch
Shiann Palmer (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 Pm on April 6 2023. The PPC decisions for each item on the agenda is recorded below:

1. PPC-2023-IISD-022-DA Request for Procurement of a Metro E-Switch for the Brac Disaster Recovery Site

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Joyce Mutukwa, Charles Brown and Joshua Foster concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification, seeking clarification of cost by preferred vendor, suitability of the proposal in relation to the time it would take for data recovery in the event of a disaster and future contracting plans at the end of the proposed term.

The Panel stated that this project was part of a larger disaster recovery plan that is being undertaken in the Cayman Brac and that the current lack of other operators in Cayman Brac is what led to the direct award but they were confident that it represented value for money in the added resiliency that the project provides.

2. PPC-2023-PAHI-016-DA Request by PAHI for reconfiguration of 2nd and 5th Floor GAB

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC and Nicolas Bodden, concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification, seeking clarification of cost by preferred vendor and in particular, fees on the associated quotation that are separate from the materials and labour items.

Mr. Bodden stated that he was unsure why the fees were broken out as separate items and that he would get back to the PPC. Mr. Bodden noted however that the equipment proposed was required due to the need for compatibility with existing equipment which was procured competitively in the first instance. The compatibility that allows the department to re-use materials through the facility as needed for any future re-configurations.

Tristan Hydes excused himself from this item.

3. PPC-2022-NHDT-080-RFQ Request by NHDT for an Electrical Contractor for the Affordable Homes.

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Sheila Rankine and Julio Ramos concerning the single bid received from the open procurement.

The Panel stated that this was the second attempt at a public tender for this project as the first tender was cancelled due to the high cost of the highest ranked bidder at that time not being suitable for an Affordable Housing project. The second attempt only yielded one submission but it was more suitable to the objectives of the project.

4. **PPC-2022-NHDT-081-DA Request by NHDT for a Plumbing Contractor for the Affordable Homes.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Sheila Rankine and Julio Ramos concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification, seeking clarification on the need to utilise a direct award in a competitive industry.

The Panel stated that this project was publicly tendered prior to the use of the Direct Award justification, but no bids were submitted through the attempted competitive process, despite having sent invitations to multiple bidders.

5. **(PPC-2022-CIAA-068-RFP) Request for provision of Janitorial Services Charles Kirkconnell International Airport**

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Nicholas Johnson, Eimer Powery and Mark Whiteside concerning the single bid received from the open procurement and how pricing compares to the previous contract.

The Panel stated that there were a small number of companies in Cayman Brac for these services and that the company that submitted a bid is the incumbent. The pricing has increased from the previous contract due to a combination of inflation and the vendor now having a better understanding of the level of service required.

6. **(PPC-2023-CIAA-023-DA) Request for Airside High Mast Poles and Lighting Fixtures**

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC Nicholas Johnson, Eimer Powery and Mark Whiteside concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification.

The Panel stated that there is a compatibility need to match the existing equipment i.e. the other High Mast Poles and Lighting on the ORIA Apron. In order to determine value for money, the quotation was compared to the previous installation of the equipment and showed a reduction of 17%.

7. **(PPC-2023-CIAA-021-DA) Request for Access Control System for ORIA & CKIA.**

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC Nicholas Johnson, Eimer Powery and Mark Whiteside concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification.

The Panel stated that there is a compatibility need to match the existing equipment i.e. the hardware associated with the proposed software upgrade. The recommended vendor is the local authorised vendor for the required products and that replacements of the hardware in order to allow for a competitive tender would be cost prohibitive and disruptive.

8. (PPC-2023-IISD-002-RFP) Request for Public Education and Marketing Services For e-Government Unit

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Ian Tibbetts, Suzanne Collins and Charles Brown concerning the outcome of the competitive tender and the payment structure of the contract.

The Panel stated that the majority of the cost associated contract is dependent on the delivery of various e-Gov and wider digital CIG initiatives over the next 2 years and e-Gov is not committed to spend these funds.

9. (PPC-2023-HSA-020-DA) Request for Resurfacing of Employee Car Park

The PPC reviewed the submission and voted **to defer** the request, pending the HSA providing additional information from a suitable third-party that the proposal was technically suitable and represented value for money.

10. (PPC-2022-HSA-061-RFP) Request for Construction of Works for New Ambulatory Care and Cardiac Neuro Inpatient Unit

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Ricardo Prince, Nadia Richards and Christopher McNamee, concerning the proposed direct award and associated justification, seeking clarification on the need to utilise a direct award in a competitive industry.

The Panel stated that this project was publicly tendered prior to the use of the Direct Award justification, but no bids were submitted through the attempted competitive process.

11. (PPC-2023-HSA-006-RFP) Request for Exterior Building Repainting

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

A brief discussion was held between the PPC, Ricardo Prince, Nadia Richards and Christopher McNamee, concerning the outcome of the competitive tender which yielded multiple submissions.

The Panel stated that the preferred bidder was highest ranked due to their combination of technical ability and pricing.

Termination of meeting 5.00 PM



**Chairman
Public Procurement Committee**