


To: MVRTA Board

Date: April 24, 2013

From: Lois Spear 

Re: Award Contract to Terracon for Independent Lab Testing Services and Construction Inspection Services for the Eagan Bus Garage Expansion

Requested Action

Approve awarding a fixed unit price contract to Terracon for Independent Lab Testing Services and Construction Inspection Services for the Eagan Bus Garage Expansion at a price not to exceed \$27,500.

Background

On April 10, 2013, Minnesota Valley Transit Authority staff issued a Request for Proposal for Independent Lab Testing Services and Construction Inspection Services for the expansion of the Eagan Bus Garage. Proposals were due on April 18 and five proposals were received. Proposals received ranged in price from \$24,346 to \$34,540.

Staff and the consultants reviewed the proposals and determined that all firms were qualified to perform the work. Therefore, the evaluation team is recommending that the firm with the lowest price, Terracon, be chosen. In addition, Terracon is already familiar with the site and project since they have been performing the same services for the site grading portion of the project.

Staff is also recommending that the contract be awarded for an amount not to exceed \$27,500 since the proposals were based on estimated quantities for comparison purposes. The quantities will vary from the estimates due to the contractor's scheduling of construction tasks.

Impact

The contract will be funded through the bonds. Testing and laboratory services are needed to ensure that the construction is proceeding according to specifications.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board award a fixed unit price contract to Terracon Consultants, Inc. for Independent Lab Testing Services and Construction Inspection Services for the expansion of the Eagan Bus Garage at a price not to exceed \$27,500.