


TO: MVTA Board

Date: March 25, 2015

FROM: Jane Kansier, Senior Project Manager 

SUBJECT: Construction contract for Burnsville Transit Station Improvements;  
Independent Lab Testing Agreement for work at BTS

Requested Action

Approve the award of a contract between the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority and L.S. Black Constructors, Inc., for construction services related to civil, lighting, and landscaping improvements at the Burnsville Transit Station. Also, authorize the MVTA to issue a Notice to Proceed to Terracon Consultants, Inc., for Independent Lab Testing (ITL) work at BTS.

Background

In July, 2014, the MVTA Board approved a contract with URS Engineers and Architects (now AECOM) to identify areas in need of rehabilitation, repair or replacement at the Burnsville Transit Station. A plan to rehabilitate civil infrastructure and improve the functionality, safety, and aesthetic appeal of the Burnsville Transit Station was prepared. This work includes replacing or repairing deteriorated asphalt roadway and parking surfaces, pedestrian pavers, decorative block walls, signage, landscaping, and civil structures on the site.

The project was originally bid in October, 2014, and the Board approved a contract with RSI for construction services. In February, 2015, the MVTA Board cancelled the RSI contract after we learned they had submitted fraudulent performance and payment bonds. RSI had not started any work on the project.

In March, 2015, the MVTA re-advertised for bids for construction services for this project. Bids were received from five contractors, as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	Alt. #1	Alt. #2	Total
Derau Construction	\$696,864.00	\$115,689.00	\$34,796.00	\$ 847,349.00
L.S. Black	\$806,602.88	\$113,086.80	\$39,463.20	\$ 959,152.88
S.M. Hentges	\$819,610.10	\$110,100.00	\$39,171.25	\$ 968,881.35
McNamara Contracting	\$837,872.00	\$115,200.00	\$62,632.50	\$1,015,704.50
Construction Results Corp.	\$938,232.00	\$111,500.00	\$28,110.00	\$1,077,842.00

The apparent low bidder, Derau Construction, withdrew their bid by official notice on March 20, 2015, due to an error in the unit price provided for pavers. MVTA staff and URS staff reviewed all the bids for thoroughness and correctness. L.S. Black, the lowest responsible bidder, has worked for MVTA and URS staff on similar projects. Both URS and MVTA's past experiences are indicative of their ability to complete the work associated with the project.

Based on a review of all bids, pricing, and a recommendation from MVTA's project consultant (URS), staff recommends the Board approve a contract for construction services at the Burnsville Transit Station between MVTA and L.S. Black Constructors for \$959,153.

This project also involves independent testing and laboratory (ITL) services. MVTA staff solicited quotes for this segment of the project in February, and received two responses:

<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Quote</b>
Terracon	\$5,040.00
Braun Intertec	\$6,259.00

MVTA has previously entered into a master services agreement with both engineering firms. The pricing included in the proposals is consistent with the existing agreement. Both firms are also qualified to perform the services, and MVTA has experience working with both firms. With that in mind, staff recommends Terracon based on the lower cost proposal.

Impact

Executing a contract for construction services will provide the professional services necessary to improve the functionality, safety, and aesthetic appeal of the Burnsville Transit Station. Executing a contract for ITL services is part of completing the project. MVTA staff has identified the funds available to cover the costs of the project.

Recommendation

Approve a contract with L.S. Black Constructors for construction services related to civil, lighting, and landscaping improvements at the Burnsville Transit Station in the amount of \$959,153 and authorize staff to issue a Notice to Proceed to Terracon for ITL services in the amount of \$5,040.

MINNESOTA VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
RESOLUTION NO. 15-\_\_\_\_\_

APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH L.S. BLACK CONSTRUCTORS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES RELATED TO CIVIL, LIGHTING, AND LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BURNSVILLE TRANSIT STATION

WHEREAS, the MVTA constructed the Burnsville Transit Station in 1995;

WHEREAS, upon approval of the MVTA Board, MVTA staff (Executive Director, Facilities Manager) worked with URS engineers and architects to identify areas in need of rehabilitation, repair or replacement at the Burnsville Transit Station, ultimately reaching agreement on a scope of work and preparation of construction documents;

WHEREAS, bid documents were released in March, 2015, and five qualifying bids were received;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MVTA approve a contract between the MVTA and L.S. Black Constructors, Inc., for construction services related to civil, lighting, and landscaping improvements at the Burnsville Transit Station in the amount of \$959,153.

ADOPTED by the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

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Chair

Attest:

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