

# MEMORANDUM

**To:** TARC Board of Directors

**From:** Ozzy Gibson, Executive Director

**Date:** May 28, 2025

**Re:** Resolution 2025-18 BUS ENGINES AND RELATED COMPONENTS (ITB #20251925)

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On April 1, 2025, the procurement department released an Invitation for Bid 20251913 for bus engines and related components which included remanufactured engines. The solicitation intent is to award the contract to the lowest bidder(s). On April 29, 2025 we received ten (10) responses from the following qualified vendors: Allied Tools, Inc.; Clarke Power; Cummins, Inc.; DLR Distributors; Diesel Injection USA; Gillig, LLC; Kirk's Automotive, Inc.; MCI; Muncie Transit Supply; and Roppel. All bids met the specified requirements and were deemed responsive and responsible.

The Procurement Department conducted an independent cost estimate and found that the lowest pricing for these vendors was less than the estimated annual independent cost estimate. Therefore, the most favorable award to TARC is a multi-vendor award.

The Procurement Department proposes a departure from our current practice of soliciting these commodities every 9 months as part of our process improvement and move to industry best practice. a multi-vendor award contract for bus engines and related components to each of the ten (10) aforementioned bidders resulting in firm fixed-price contracts with each vendor for an initial term of one (1) year with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,153,057.19.

This Resolution seeks approval for the Board of Directors to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into a contract with all ten (10) vendors (Allied Tools, Inc.; Clarke Power; Cummins, Inc.; DLR Distributors; Diesel Injection USA; Gillig, LLC; Kirk's Automotive, Inc.; MCI; Muncie Transit Supply; and Roppel) for an initial term of one (1) year with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year at a cost not to exceed \$1,153,057.19.

Please call me at 561-5135 if you have any questions. Thank you.

## **RESOLUTION 2025-18**

### **BUS ENGINES AND RELATED COMPONENTS**

A Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into a contract with all ten (10) vendors (Allied Tools, Inc.; Clarke Power; Cummins, Inc.; DLR Distributors; Diesel Injection USA; Gillig, LLC; Kirk's Automotive, Inc.; MCI; Muncie Transit Supply; and Roppel) for an initial term of one (1) year with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year at a cost not to exceed \$1,153,057.19.

**WHEREAS**, TARC seeks a multi-vendor award to support the Maintenance Department of their needs of Bus Engines and Related Components; and

**WHEREAS**, ten (10) responsive and responsible proposals were received from qualified providers of bus engine and related components including remanufactured engines; and

**WHEREAS**, the staff recommends an award to all ten (10) vendors based on competitive pricing within range of the independent cost estimate as the best value solution for TARC; and

**WHEREAS**, the total contract amount shall not exceed \$1,153,057.19 for the term life; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Transit Authority of River City that:

The Executive Director has authority to authorize and negotiate into a contract for an initial term of one (1) year with an option to renew for an additional one (1) year with the aforementioned ten vendors for a not to exceed amount of \$1,153,057.19

**ADOPTED THIS 28th DAY OF MAY 2025**

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**Steve Miller, Chair of the Finance Committee**