SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.: DRPA-14-061  SUBJECT: Center Tower Hardening Project

COMMITTEE: Operations & Maintenance Committee

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: May 7, 2014

BOARD ACTION DATE: May 22, 2014

PROPOSAL: That the DRPA Commission authorizes staff to enter into an agreement with a Simplex-Grinnell LP not to exceed $300,000 to provide services, software, and/or equipment to support transit related, homeland security, infrastructure hardening at the PATCO Center Tower facility using 2010 DHS Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) funding.

PURPOSE: To enter into an agreement with Simplex-Grinnell LP to provide services, software, and/or equipment with regard to hardening the PATCO Center Tower Facility using 2010 DHS Transit Security Grant Program funding, which provides 100% of the contract cost.

BACKGROUND: The Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) provides grant funding to the nation’s key high-threat urban areas to enhance security measures for their critical transit infrastructure including bus, ferry and rail systems. It is one of six grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the nation’s critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The TSGP is an important component of the Department’s effort to enhance the security of the Nation’s critical infrastructure. The program provides funds to owners and operators of transit systems (which include intra-city bus, commuter bus, and all forms of passenger rail) to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies. The Philadelphia Region encompasses Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, and a portion of Delaware. The Philadelphia Region is considered a
Tier I region, that is it receives the highest priority for these federal grants. The Philadelphia Area Regional Transit Security Working Group (PARTSWG) is comprised of recipient representatives of DRPA/PATCO, SEPTA, DART, and NJT. The DRPA has been the chair of the working group since its inception in 2005 and has been applying for all regional projects and forwarding purchase orders to PEMA on behalf of the region. The PARSTWG votes to share projects as a regional effort. This status as a regional project often allows DRPA/PATCO to receive aid in the area which it would not have qualified for alone. Additionally, since the DRPA is administering these regional projects, the agency is eligible for the Management and Administration portion of these grants.

This project supports the DRPA’s ongoing commitment to ensure PATCO’s riders’ safety and security by hardening the infrastructure. The project uses the 2010 TSGP grant proceeds for the necessary services, software and/or hardware/equipment to upgrade the Center Tower Facility. Simplex-Grinnell LP, the vendor is a GSA contractor. The duration of contract reflects the statutory grant period and is not necessarily the contract or project end date. This allows for DHS approved extensions to the period of performance.

SUMMARY:

| Amount:       | NTE $300,000 (100% grant funded) |
| Source of Funds: | 2010 TSGP Grant |
| Capital Project#: | N/A |
| Master Plan Status: | N/A |
| Other Fund Sources: | N/A |
| Duration of Contract: | 09/30/2015 |
| Other Parties Involved: | FEMA, TSA, DHS |
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Delaware River Port Authority be and hereby are authorized to enter into an agreement not to exceed $300,000 with Simplex-Grinnell, LP to provide services, software, and or equipment to support transit related, homeland security, infrastructure hardening at the PATCO Center Tower facility using 2010 DHS Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) funding.

RESOLVED: The Chair, Vice Chair and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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