SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.: PATCO-16-037  SUBJECT: Passenger Information and Messaging System – Phase 3

COMMITTEE:

Operations & Maintenance

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: November 1, 2016

BOARD ACTION DATE: November 16, 2016

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Johnston Communications, Inc. to procure and program LCD monitors for Phase 3 of the Passenger Information and Messaging Systems.

Amount: Up to $659,013.00

Consultant: Johnston Communications, Inc.
322 Belleville Turnpike
North Arlington, NJ 07031
PO Box 390
Kearny, NJ 07031

PURPOSE: To adopt a resolution authorizing staff to negotiate a contract with Johnston Communications, Inc. to procure and program 80 LCD monitors for Phase 3 of the Passenger Information and Messaging Project. This contract is provided with NJ State Contract pricing under Contracts #T-1778 and #T-1316.

BACKGROUND: In 2014, PATCO completed Phase 1 of the Passenger Information and Messaging System. Phase 1 entailed placing LCD monitors and LED displays at high volume PATCO stations which included Lindenwold, Woodcrest, Haddonfield, Ferry Ave, Broadway, 8th & Market and 15th/16th & Locust, to provide customers information regarding the status of the system. In 2015, Phase 2 was completed which included the stations not covered in Phase 1. Stations included in Phase 2 were Ashland, Westmont, Collingswood, City Hall, 9th/10th & Locust and 12th/13th & Locust. The LCDs and LEDs have proven to be an asset to both PATCO and the riding public in pushing general information out to customers.

It is PATCO’s intent to expand this program in Phase 3 by procuring additional LCD monitors to be installed on all station platforms and will provide detailed, station specific scheduling information, which cannot be effectively displayed on the existing LCD screens. The LCD placement will be similar on all platforms so passengers will know immediately where to go for scheduling information. Having the
additional LCDs would eliminate the need for PATCO to print numerous track schedules, eliminate the need for personnel to manually post schedules in stations and allow PATCO to make instantaneous changes should situations arise and a change to the schedule be warranted. This would include such items as track work schedules, emergency schedules and snow schedules. Fabrication of LCD monitors takes approximately 16 to 20 weeks. Phase 4 of this project will cover installing the monitors and will be submitted to the Board mid-2017 for approval.

SUMMARY:  
Amount: Not to exceed $659,013.00  
Source of Funding: 2013 Revenue Bonds  
Operating Budget: N/A  
Capital Project #: TEP.01406  
Master Plan Status: N/A  
Other Fund Sources: N/A  
Duration of Contract: Six (6) months  
Other Parties Involved: N/A
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Commissioners of the Port Authority Transit Corporation authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Johnston Communications, Inc. to procure and program 80 LCD monitors for Phase 3 of the Passenger Information and Messaging Systems; not to exceed $659,013.00; and be it further

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

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