



*May 14, 2020*

**To:** Transit Committee

**From:** Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darrell Johnson", is written over the name of the Chief Executive Officer.

**Subject:** Agreement for Bus Hoist Replacement at the Garden Grove and Irvine Construction Circle Bus Bases

### **Overview**

As part of the Orange County Transportation Authority Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget, the Board of Directors approved replacement of the bus hoists at the Garden Grove and Irvine Construction Circle bus bases. Bids were received in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's public works procurement procedures. Approval from the Board of Directors is requested to execute the agreement.

### **Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1814 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$314,810, for bus hoist replacement at the Garden Grove and Irvine Construction Circle bus bases.

### **Discussion**

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) completed construction of the Garden Grove Bus Base in 1976. The Irvine Construction Circle Bus Base was originally constructed in 2000 and purchased by OCTA in late 2006. In support of operations, both bus bases have one bus hoist located in the bus chassis wash bay. The bus hoist at the Garden Grove Bus Base was last replaced in 2009, while the one at Irvine Construction Circle Bus Base was originally installed in 2008. Each of the chassis wash bay bus hoists has exceeded its useful life and requires replacement to maintain the bus wash systems in a state of good repair. The project consists of installation of two new flush mount drive-on bus hoists, remote control panels with electric hydraulic power and control units, wiring and connections, safety compliance, and related work.

***Procurement Approach***

This procurement was handled in accordance with OCTA's Board of Directors-approved procedures for public works projects. These procedures, which conform to both federal and state requirements, require that contracts are awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder after a sealed bidding process.

Invitation for Bids (IFB) 9-1814 was issued electronically on CAMM NET on February 14, 2020. The project was advertised on February 14 and 17, 2020, in a newspaper of general circulation. A pre-bid conference and job walk were held on February 19, 2020, with three firms in attendance. Four addenda were issued to make available the pre-bid conference registration sheets and presentation, respond to approved equal requests, as well as issue an extension to the IFB submittal date. On March 31, 2020, three bids were received and publicly opened.

All bids were reviewed by staff from both the Contracts Administration and Materials Management and Facilities Engineering departments to ensure compliance with the contract terms and conditions, and technical specifications. Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc., met the requirements of the IFB, as well as all federal and state requirements.

The list of bidders and bid amounts is presented below:

<u>Firm and Location</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc. San Bernardino, California	\$314,810
Autolift Services, Inc. Los Alamitos, California	\$317,000
Pacific Lift and Equipment Co, Inc. Pasadena, California	\$430,520

The OCTA project engineer's estimate for this project was \$380,000. The recommended firm's bid is 17 percent lower than the engineer's estimate and is considered by staff to be fair and reasonable.

State law requires award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. As such, staff recommends award to Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$314,810, for bus hoist replacement at the Garden Grove and Irvine Construction Circle Bus bases.

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**Fiscal Impact**

The project was approved in OCTA's Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget, Capital Programs , accounts 1722-9022-D1401-0MD and 1722-9022-D3122-0MD, and is funded through Federal Transit Administration Section 5337 State of Good Repair Grant Funds, Revenue Code 0030-6049-D1401-MJK.

**Summary**

Based on the information provided, staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1814 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Southwest Lift & Equipment, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$314,810, for bus hoist replacement at the Garden Grove and Irvine Construction Circle bus bases.

**Attachment**

None.

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