RESOLUTION REGARDING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS FOR THE RAILROAD TRACK GRADE CROSSING ON MAXIM ROAD, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

RESOLVED: That the President is hereby authorized to execute an agreement for maintenance and repairs for the railroad track grade crossing on Maxim Road, Hartford, Connecticut with RailWorks Track Services, Inc., substantially as presented and discussed at this meeting.

CONTRACT SUMMARY

For Contract Entitled

AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS FOR THE RAILROAD TRACK GRADE CROSSING ON MAXIM ROAD, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Presented to the CRRA Board:	May 27, 2010	
Vendor/Contractor(s):	RailWorks Track Services, Inc.	
Effective Date:	Upon Execution	
Term:	Upon CRRA's acceptance of the work; the work must be completed within 30 days of CRRA's issuance of the Notice to Proceed	
Term Extensions:	N/A	
Contract Type/Subject matter:	Railroad track grade crossing maintenance and repairs	
Facility(ies)/Project(s) Affected:	Mid-Connecticut Regional Recycling Center (the railroad siding that crosses Maxim Road and is the subject of this solicitation serves the Regional Recycling Center)	
Original Contract:	N/A	
Contract Dollar Value:	\$155,785.00	
Amendment(s):	N/A	
Scope of Services:	Furnish all labor, materials, supplies, tools, equipment and other facilities to perform the maintenance and repairs for the railroad track grade crossing on Maxim Road, Hartford, Connecticut; the Maxim Road railroad crossing is for the railroad siding that services the Mid-Connecticut Regional Recycling Center.	
Bid Security:	Bid bond for 10% of the bid price	
Budget Status:	\$200,000.00 was budgeted for this project in the FY10 Capital Budget	

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS FOR THE RAILROAD TRACK GRADE CROSSING ON MAXIM ROAD, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

May 27, 2010

Executive Summary

This is to request approval of the CRRA Board of Directors for the President to enter into an agreement with RailWorks Track Services, Inc. ("RailWorks') to furnish all labor, materials, supplies, tools, equipment and other facilities to perform the maintenance and repairs for the railroad track grade crossing on Maxim Road, Hartford, Connecticut. The grade crossing is for the railroad siding that services the Mid-Connecticut Regional Recycling Center ("RRC"). The work must be completed within 30 days of CRRA's issuance of the "Notice to Proceed" and will include a planned three-day, weekend closure of Maxim Road in the vicinity of the railroad track grade crossing. The work is covered by Connecticut's prevailing wage requirements.

Discussion

Recyclables are brought to the RRC located at 211 Murphy Road, Hartford, Connecticut, by truck. After processing at the RRC, some of the separated materials are removed from the facility by freight rail services provided by the Connecticut Southern Railroad ("CSO"). The railroad siding providing access to the RRC originates to the north of the CRRA facility and crosses Maxim Road with an at-grade crossing.

As a condition of permits CRRA obtained from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and the City of Hartford to construct and operate the RRC and other municipal solid waste facilities in the area, CRRA has accepted financial responsibility to maintain the railroad track grade crossing on Maxim Road. Maintenance and repairs of the track and the highway grade crossing warning devices are now required.

CRRA, with the assistance of a consultant pre-qualified under the 2007 three-year engineering services agreements, developed a scope of work for the project. The work will involve, but not be limited to, the following:

- Rebuild the Maxim Road track and grade crossing surface replacing approximately 160 feet of rail (both sides) west of the centerline of Maxim Road, and approximately 140 feet (both sides) east of the centerline of Maxim Road;
- Replace all ties within the roadway and others as marked;

- Install new, heavy duty "rail seal" throughout the grade crossing area;
- Repair approximately 23 feet of roadway surface (asphalt) extending north and south from the rail centerline at Maxim Road;
- Provide, install and properly test new 12" LED flashing lights, batteries, chargers, signage, and other railroad signal items;
- Perform construction activities required to minimize soil erosion and sedimentation;
- Support maintenance and protection of traffic operation; and
- Cleaning up, disposing of waste and debris and demolition materials, and restoring the work site to original condition.

The project was solicited through a public procurement process. Sealed public bids were received on April 28, 2010. The project was advertised in the following publications on Sunday, March 28, 2010, or the next published edition:

Hartford Courant Manchester Journal Inquirer Waterbury Republican American LaVoz Hispania de Connecticut Northeast Minority News

The project was also posted on the CRRA and the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services ("DAS") website.

A pre-bid conference for the project was held on April 9, 2010 and was attended by four prospective bidders. Bids were received from two bidders, and are tabulated as follows:

Bidder	Bid Price
Railroad Construction Company, Inc.	\$234,300.00
RailWorks Track Services, Inc.	\$155,785.00

CRRA staff has met with the lowest qualified bidder on the project, RailWorks, and examined its qualifications.

Recommendation

Based on the prices submitted by the bidders, CRRA management recommends that the Maxim Road railroad track grade crossing work be awarded to RailWorks Track Services, Inc.

CRRA staff, with the assistance of the consultant, has reviewed the capabilities, experience and references of RailWorks and is confident that the firm is qualified to do the work.

Financial Summary

The project will be funded from the Facility Modification Reserve as planned for in the fiscal year 2010 Mid-Connecticut capital improvement budget.