

BOARD ACTION ITEM

ITEM NUMBER
BA2024-30

MEETING DATE
August 19, 2024

ITEM TITLE
Parts & Materials for Buses

BACKGROUND

Trinity Metro operates a fleet of 142 fixed-route transit buses to provide service on 37 bus routes across Fort Worth. These vehicles require periodic maintenance to ensure they perform reliably. Regular upkeep is also essential to maintaining a high-quality customer experience.

Trinity Metro's maintenance department requires various parts to be kept in stock to ensure minimal bus downtime. In the last few years, the lead time for some parts has increased substantially. This has increased the time it takes to repair buses and led to a larger number of buses being unavailable for service. It is important to address this issue before it impacts service.

Trinity Metro advertised an Invitation for Bid (IFB), and eight (8) vendor responses were deemed responsive, responsible, and complete. Entering into these contracts allows Trinity Metro to have a quicker turnaround from ordering vital parts to installing those parts on the buses. All eight bidders have been selected to provide bus parts and materials as needed for repairs.

- Cummins Southern Plains, LLC
- Gillig, LLC
- Kirk's Automotive, Inc.
- Mohawk Manufacturing and Supply Company
- Muncie Transit Supply
- Neopart Transit, LLC
- The Aftermarket Parts Company, LLC
- Vehicle Maintenance Program

PROCUREMENT

Trinity Metro's Procurement Department has followed procurement policy with the Invitation for Bid and is in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and Trinity Metro procurement requirements.

FINANCING

Funds will be available in Trinity Metro's Operating Budget. Funds for future contract years will be considered in the respective proposed budgets.

RECOMMENDATION

The Trinity Metro Board of Directors authorizes the President & Chief Executive Officer to enter into a two (2) year contract with three one (1) year options with the above eight vendors to supply bus parts in the amount of \$1,975,000 per year for a total authorized amount not to exceed \$9,875,000.

STAFF DISPOSITION

EXECUTIVE LEAD*
Wayne Gensler

DATE
07/30/24

DISPOSITION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS


SECRETARY APPROVAL