

In response to a public advertisement of October 12, 2005, no bids were received at a bid opening held on October 25, 2005.

In response to a public advertisement of November 16, 2005, a bid opening was held on November 29, 2005. The bid tabulation for this contract is:

IMS SYSTEMS . . . . . \$43,058.70

Four hundred and thirty-eight (438) companies were notified of this contract being advertised and seven (7) companies requested specifications.

A review of the sole bid revealed that the cost is approximately 17 percent over the District's estimate and is considered too high. In addition, the company is not authorized to transact business in Illinois and a plan-holder review revealed that more firms are interested in bidding this contract.

Therefore, the sole bid has been rejected in the public's best interest by the Purchasing Agent.

This contract will be revised and re-advertised in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,  
DARLENE A. LoCASCIO  
*Purchasing Agent*

Ms. Young moved and Ms. Santos seconded that the report be received, published and filed. On roll call the motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Purchasing Agent presented the following report.  
CHICAGO, October 26, 2006

Mr. Richard Lanyon  
General Superintendent  
Office

Subject: Purchasing Department – 2005 Annual Report.

DEAR SIR:

Submitted herewith is the 2005 Annual Report of the Purchasing Department.

Accomplishments for 2005 are included in this report as well as comparative data.

Respectfully submitted,  
DARLENE A. LoCASCIO  
*Purchasing Agent*

Attachment filed in Clerk's Office.

Ms. Young moved and Ms. Santos seconded that the report be received, published and filed. On roll call the motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Attorney presented the following report.  
CHICAGO, October 20, 2006

Mr. Richard Lanyon  
General Superintendent  
Office

Subject: Report on Implementation of Resolution R98-017, Authorizing the Chief Engineer and the

Chief of Maintenance and Operations to Approve Change Orders which Cumulatively, but not Individually, Increase or Decrease the Cost of Contracts by \$10,000.00 or more.

DEAR SIR:

On May 7, 1998 the Board adopted Resolution R98-017, which authorized the Chief Engineer and Chief of Maintenance and Operations to approve change orders which cumulatively, but not individually, increase or decrease the cost of contracts by \$10,000.00 or more. The resolution was adopted in order to avoid the administrative burden that would have resulted from seeking Board approval each time the cumulative impact on a contract resulted in an increase or decrease of the contract cost by \$10,000.00. Between January 19, 2006 and October 19, 2006, sixty-four requests for change order authorizations in amounts less than \$10,000.00 were transmitted to the Board of Commissioners by the Engineering and Maintenance & Operations departments.

Since the Resolution was adopted in 1998, its procedure has fallen into disuse, and will be reinstated. Individual change orders of \$10,000.00 or more will still require Board approval. Additionally, the Engineering and the Maintenance and Operations departments will report to the Board monthly as to those cumulative change orders of \$10,000.00 or more which they have approved without the necessity for Board approval.

Accordingly, this report is being made to the Board of Commissioners to advise them that the Chief Engineer and the Chief of Maintenance and Operations will be implementing the procedures and practices set out in Resolution R98-017. Both the Chief Engineer and the Chief of Maintenance and Operations will utilize Resolution R98-017 to approve change orders which cumulatively, but not individually, increase or decrease the cost of contracts by \$10,000.00 or more. A copy of the resolution is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
FREDERICK M. FELDMAN  
*Attorney*

Attachment filed in Clerk's Office.

Mrs. Majewski moved and Ms. Young seconded that the report be received, published and filed. On roll call the motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

FINANCE

Mrs. Majewski presented the following report from the Committee on Finance.

CHICAGO, October 3, 2006

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

An examination has been made of the vouchers on the attached list for miscellaneous services and supplies, dated September 30, 2006.