Resolution 2013-14: 205 Contract Award – Interactive Whiteboards for DWT-1b projects; Rejection of Network Electronics Mini-Bid Proposal and Authorization to Re-bid

By Board Member Brown

WHEREAS, the Rochester School Facilities Modernization Program Act ("the Act") established the Rochester Joint Schools Construction Board ("RJSCB"), a seven voting member board consisting of equal representation by the City of Rochester ("City") and the Rochester City School District ("District"), as well as a member jointly selected by the City and the District; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, the RJSCB has certain enumerated powers to act as agent for the District, the City, or both; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorized up to 13 projects in Phase I of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program ("RSMP") including a District Wide Technology program which involves technology upgrades and infrastructure work at each of the 12 school projects identified in Phase 1; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB's Technology Consultant (Millennium Strategies), with the advice of the RJSCB's Program Manager, the RJSCB's general counsel, and the RJSCB's Executive Director, prepared two requests for Mini-Bid proposals ("Request for Mini-Bid Proposals") for the owner-supplied Interactive Whiteboards, LAN, and Network Equipment; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB's Executive Director received mini-bid proposals on February 20, 2014 per the deadline stipulated in the Request for Mini-Bid Proposals, and those proposals were subsequently publicly opened and read aloud at the location stated in the Request for Mini-Bid Proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Program Manager and the Technology Consultant have reviewed the proposals, conducted de-scoping meetings, and concluded that the apparent and sole bidder for the Interactive White Board Equipment, Ronco Specialized Systems, is also a qualified and responsible proposer holding NYS OGS Contract PC64216; and

WHEREAS, the Program Manager and the Technology Consultant have reviewed the proposals for LAN and Network Equipment (Network Electronics), and concluded that all bid proposals should be rejected under the RJSCB's contractual right to do so, and the package should be re-bid as it is in the best interest of the public, the project, and the RJSCB; and

WHEREAS, at the MWBE and Services Procurement Committee meeting held on February 27, 2014, following the review and consideration of recommendations provided by the RJSCB's Program Manager and the Technology Consultant, and after due deliberation by the Committee, the following contract award was approved:

| Scope of Work | Name of Vendor | Address | Bid Amount |
|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Interactive White | Ronco Communications & | 84 Grand Island Blvd. | \$ 842,500 |
| Boards | Specialized Systems | Tonawanda, NY 14150 | |

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The RJSCB hereby approves the recommendation of the Technology Consultant and the Program Manager that contract award shall be made to the above named firm and bid proposal amount to provide all equipment, labor, materials, maintenance, and plant necessary to execute the scope of work associated with the Interactive Whiteboard equipment in Phase 1 of the RSMP; and
- 2. The Chair is hereby authorized, in the name and on behalf of the RJSCB, to execute and deliver an Agreement (the "Agreement") to Ronco Communications & Specialized Equipment in substantially the form included in the Request for Proposal for the DWT-1b project, with such changes as the Chair may approve (his/her signature thereon being conclusive evidence of such approval) on the advice of the Technology Consultant, the Program Manager and the RJSCB's general counsel; and
- 3. The RJSCB hereby approves the recommendation of the Technology Consultant and the Program Manager that all bid proposals received for the LAN and Network Equipment (Network Electronics) associated with the DWT-1b Project shall be rejected under the RJSCB's contractual right to do so and hereby directs the Technology Consultant and the Program Manager to re-bid the LAN and Network Equipment (Network Electronics) including handsets needed for the DWT-1b project, at the earliest possible date.

Second by Member Thomas Approved 7-0