



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

April 19, 2018

City Council President Linda M. Morad
Honorable Members of the City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval an ORDER authorizing three school bus contracts in excess of three years' duration which require approval in accordance with MGL c.30B, Section 12 (b).

I have attached correspondence from the City's Purchasing Director Susan Bruce.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

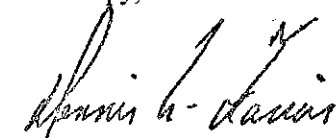
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IN CITY COUNCIL, April 26, 2018

Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

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City of New Bedford

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
Susan Bruce, Director of Purchasing

April 10, 2018

Honorable Jonathan F. Mitchell, Mayor
City Hall
133 William St.
New Bedford, MA 02740

Re: Award of School Transportation Bids and Contracts for 2018-2019 School Year as Required under Chapter 30B § 12(b) for Contracts in Excess of Three (3) Years

Dear Mayor Mitchell,

Please present this memorandum requesting that the City Council approve award of the school bus transportation contracts for the 2018-2019 school year as required by Chapter 30B, as follows:

The City of New Bedford School Department, through the City's Purchasing Department, bid School Transportation Services for the next two school calendar years, with three one year options to renew, and Special Education/McKinney Vento Homeless Transportation for a term of three years, with two one year options to renew. The following are the results of those bids:

Student Transportation Package One: Package One consists of two bus routes; one route utilizing four single tier bus routes, the other utilizing 19 double tier bus routes. It also includes Late Bus Transportation and Dual Enrollment Buses. Three bids were received for the services with the following bid results:

Tremblay's Bus Co.	Base Two year Total:	\$3,306,170.60
	Option Years 3-5 Total:	\$5,329,104.60
	Total Five Years:	\$8,635,275.20
Whaling City Transit	Base Two Year Total:	\$3,130,400.00
	Option Years 3-5 Total:	\$5,014,020.00
	Total Five Years:	\$8,144,420.00
Reliable Bus Lines	Base Two Year Total:	\$2,803,760.00
	Option Years 3-5 Total:	\$4,294,560.00
	Total Five Years:	\$7,098,320.00

Student Transportation Package Two: Package Two consists of two bus routes; one route utilizing 17 single tier routes, the other utilizing five double tier bus routes. It also includes Late Bus Transportation. Two bids were received for the services with the following bid results:

Reliable Bus Lines	Base Two Year Total:	\$2,663,880.00
	Option Years 3-5 Total:	\$4,198,320.00
	Total Five Years	\$6,862,200.00

Whaling City Transit	Base Two Year Total:	\$2,595,800.00
	Option Years 3-5 Total:	\$4,133,100.00
	Total Five Years:	\$6,728,900.00

Special Education/McKinney Vento Homeless Transportation was bid as a three year contract with two one year options to renew. One bid was received for this service with the following results:

Tremblay's Bus Co.	Base Three Year Total:	\$22,675,926.00
	Late Bus Cost:	\$188.28 per vehicle/day
	Option Year 4 Total + Monitor:	\$8,331,969.60
	Late Bus Cost:	\$188.28 per vehicle/day
	Option Year 5 Total + Monitor:	\$8,789,335.20
	Late Bus Cost:	\$188.28 per vehicle/day
	Total Cost of Five Year Contract: (Excluding Monitor and Late Bus)	\$39,797,230.80

The New Bedford Purchasing Department recommends award of the contracts to the two lowest bidders for Student Transportation Services for two years. They are as follows:

Student Transportation Package One: Reliable Bus Lines	\$2,803,760.00
Student Transportation Package Two: Whaling City Transit	\$2,595,800.00

The City of New Bedford Purchasing Department recommends award of the Special Education/McKinney Vento Homeless Transportation Contract to Tremblay's Bus Service for the above listed total price, minus the costs of Monitors and Late Buses.

Please Note: M.G.L. Chapter 30B § 12(b) states: Unless authorized by majority vote, a procurement officer shall not award a contract for a term exceeding three years, including any renewal, extension, or option.

Respectfully submitted,


Susan Bruce, Director