

# CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: ALL Item Creation Date: 11/13/2017

DR4332 ARA 002 - Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc,- MOTION

Agenda Item#:

# **Summary:**

### **Background:**

SPD-CMH-08282017-002 - Approve payment to Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc., to address emergency disaster recovery activities as a result of Hurricane Harvey for transportation services in the amount of \$23,262.46 for Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department.

### Specific Explanation:

The Director of Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve payment to Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc., for transportation services in the amount of \$23,262.46 to address emergency disaster recovery activities because of Hurricane Harvey.

During FY2018, the Houston Health Department previously issued a purchase order to Yellow Cab totaling \$45,030.00. With the issuance of this purchase order of \$23,262.46, the aggregate total will be \$68,292.46 and therefore, requires City Council approval.

Hurricane Harvey flooded many homes throughout Houston and displaced many residents to shelters until more permanent housing was available. The taxi voucher program with Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc., assisted people in shelters with transportation to and from transitional housing in the aftermath of the hurricane. This program was necessary to regulate the shelter population and increased public health and safety which could be jeopardized by overcrowding. Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc., completed this project on November 30, 2017.

Yellow Cab of Houston, Inc., was selected for best quality of service as the firm could provide immediate mobilization of licensed and qualified professionals to coordinate with City personnel to restore City facilities as soon as possible.

This recommendation was made pursuant to Chapter 252, Section 252.022 (a) (2) "a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the municipality's residents" of the Texas Local Government Code for exempted procurements.

# M/WBE Participation:

OBO approves the waiver of an M/WBE goal on this procurement because, as per Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinance, a waiver is appropriate when a public or administrative emergency exists which requires the goods or services to be provided with unusual immediacy.

#### **Hire Houston First:**

The proposed procurement may be funded by a federal grant; therefore, exempt from "Hire Houston First" (HHF) ordinance that promotes economic opportunity for Houston Business and support job creation.

#### **Disaster Recovery Note:**

This item is related to the impact of Hurricane Harvey DR4332 and it is the City's intent to seek reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") and other eligible sources for such expenditures.

Jerry Adams, Chief Procurement Officer Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

**Department Approval Authority** 

**Amount of Funding:** 

\$23,262.46 - General Fund (1000)

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# **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description Type Backup Material Affidavit of Ownership **Backup Material** Fair Campaign Backup Material Certificate of Insurance **Drug Policy** Backup Material **EPO Justification Form** Backup Material **EPO Addendum Backup Material** Backup Material Purchase Requisition Final Invoice Financial Information Invoice 1 Financial Information Financial Information Invoice 2 Invoice 3 Financial Information Financial Information Invoice 4 Financial Information Invoice 5 Financial Information Invoice 6 Invoice 7 Financial Information Financial Information Invoice 8 Tax Report **Backup Material**