RESOLUTION
Award of Student Transportation Services To and From School Contract 9553

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 National Declaration of Emergency bids were electronically received on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, after public advertisement for Student Transportation Services To and From School, bids were issued to eighty-one (81) vendors with thirty (39) vendors responding; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A.18A:18A-2(y), four (4) bids were rejected and deemed unresponsive for failure to submit a signed bid or failure to submit required bid documents; and

WHEREAS, the vendor Destiny 23 withdrew fourteen (14) routes and those routes were awarded to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1, the District is required to provide transportation to and from school to elementary school pupils who live more than two miles from their public school of attendance or secondary school pupils who live more than two and a half miles from their public school of attendance; and

WHEREAS, twenty (20) vendors are recommended for award of one hundred twenty-six (126) routes, see attached award analysis and award summary; and

WHEREAS, the contract is for a two (2) year period commencing September 1, 2022 with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods; and

WHEREAS, the contract award shall include an additional ten percent allowance for necessary route modifications; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation for award of term contracts has been reviewed and approved by Quanika Dukes-Spruill, Executive Director of Pupil Transportation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Newark Board of Education accepts and approves the award of term contracts for Student Transportation Services To and From School for a two (2) year period with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods commencing September 1, 2022 as follows:

A. Abeer Transport LLC, Jersey City, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $52,234.00
B. Azza Care Invalid Coach, South Orange, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $81,354.00
C. Best Choice Transportation, Montclair, NJ awarded 2 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $184,730.00
D. Blessing Transportation LLC, Jersey City NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $52,780.00
E. Centaur Transportation Inc., Paramus, NJ awarded 2 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $180,172.72
F. Destiny 23 Transportation, Parsippany, NJ awarded 39 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $1,665,664.00
G. Elbana Bus Inc, Union, NJ awarded 2 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $110,656.00
H. Horizon Link, Bloomfield, NJ awarded 5 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $511,420.00
I. Jawa Invalid Coach, Roseland, NJ awarded 9 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $500,318.00
J. K & H Transport Inc., Paterson, NJ awarded 22 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $837,200.00
K. Mass Transportation Services LLC, Roseland, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $55,510.00
L. Mercy U.S Trans Inc, Elmwood Park, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $103,740.00
M. Newark Transport Inc., Newark, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $52,780.00
N. NuHeights Transport, Springfield, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $54,054.00
O. Prime Transportation, Parsippany, NJ awarded 16 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $666,666.00
P. R & V Transportation, Parsippany, NJ awarded 6 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $229,684.00
Q. SimpliSafe Transportation LLC, Jackson, NJ awarded 7 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $406,770.00
R. Sis Transport, East Hanover, NJ awarded 4 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $469,560.00
S. Trans-ED Newark, NJ awarded 4 routes at an annual amount not to exceed $354,900.00
T. Wes Transportation Irvington, NJ awarded 1 route at an annual amount not to exceed $52,598.00

126 Routes Awarded for a Grand Total Annual Contract Award not to exceed $7,285,069.79 (including the ten percent route modification allowance)

EXPLANATION: To provide in District transportation services for eligible students. Subject to availability of funds.

Funding
Subject to the availability of funds.
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Strategic Plan Priority
1.2 Adopt a sustainable fiscal strategy and operating budget that is aligned with the strategic plan and drives district priorities.