



New Orleans Regional Transit Authority

2817 Canal Street
New Orleans, LA 70119

Board Report and Staff Summary

File #: 21-062

Finance Committee

Rampart Streetcar Line: Emergency Recovery Project Award Construction Project

DESCRIPTION: Requesting Board Authorization to Award a Construction Contract to the Lowest Responsive Bidder	AGENDA NO: Click or tap here to enter text.
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RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to award a construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder to repair sections of the Canal Streetcar Line impacted by the collapse of the Hard Rock Hotel. According to AECOM's opinion of probable cost, the total estimated cost to restore Canal St, excluding the Rampart connector, is \$270,000.00.

ISSUE/BACKGROUND:

As decreed by Mayor LaToya Cantrell in March of 2020, the RTA was directed to restore the infrastructure impacted by the Hard Rock Hotel collapse as quickly as possible. However, as the Hard Rock Hotel Developer (hereby referred to as the "Developer") has obstructed RTA's infrastructure along Canal Street until recently, the RTA is working to restore the Canal Streetcar Line by the end of July.

DISCUSSION:

In February 2021, the Developer removed demolition equipment and crane mats along Canal Street, allowing RTA's engineer, AECOM to complete damage assessments of the Canal Streetcar Line. The repair package was completed on April 16th. The RTA is now working to solicit a contractor to complete the repairs. As the City has reopened lake bound Canal Street, the RTA is requesting Board Authorization to award a Construction Contract early to meet the schedule to restore the Canal Streetcar line by the end of July. As the developer is still obstructing the Rampart Streetcar Line, as well as the long lead times for damaged materials, restoration of the Rampart Streetcar Line will be handled as a separate project to be completed later this year.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

AECOM's Opinion of Construction Cost to restore the Canal Streetcar Line is not expected to exceed \$270,000.00, which will be funded through local account 1.1510.109. All cost associated with this work will be tracked for financial recovery purposes.

NEXT STEPS:

Upon Board approval, staff will award a construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder to repair the Canal Streetcar Line between South Liberty St. to Barone St.

If the lowest bid is deemed responsive but exceeds the Engineer's Estimated cost of \$270,000.00, staff will request Board Authorization at the June Board Meeting to ratify award of the construction contract.

During the performance of this contract, staff will conduct ongoing dialogue to the Board during the project development.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Board Resolution
2. AECOM's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost

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RESOLUTION NO. 21-029

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ORLEANS

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST
RESPONSIVE BIDDER**

Introduced by Commissioner Raymond,
seconded by Commissioner Sarwar.

WHEREAS, as decreed by Mayor LaToya Cantrell in March of 2020, RTA staff have been directed to restore RTA infrastructure impacted by the Hard Rock Hotel collapse as quickly as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Hard Rock Hotel Developer (hereby referred to as the “Developer” has obstructed RTA’s infrastructure along Canal Street until recently, RTA staff are working to restore the Canal Streetcar line by the end of July; and

WHEREAS, in February 2021, the Developer removed demolition equipment and crane mats along Canal Street, allowing RTA’s engineer AECOM to complete damage assessments of the Canal Streetcar Line; and

WHEREAS, the repair package was completed on April 16, 2021. RTA staff are now working to solicit for a contractor to complete the repairs; and

WHEREAS, the City has reopened lake bound Canal Street. RTA staff are requesting Board Authorization to award a Construction contract early in order to meet the schedule to restore the Canal Streetcar Line by the end of July; and



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WHEREAS, the Developer is still obstructing the Rampart Streetcar Line, as well as the long lead times for damaged materials restoration of the Rampart Streetcar Line will be handled as a separate project to be completed later this year; and

WHEREAS, AECOM's Opinion of Construction Cost to restore the Canal Streetcar Line is not-to-exceed fee \$270,000.00, which will be funded through local account 1.1510.109. All cost associated with this work will be tracked for financial recovery purposes; and.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) that the Chairman of the Board, or his designee, is authorize to award a Construction Contract to the Lowest Responsive Bidder.

THE FOREGOING WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:	<u>7</u>
NAYS:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 25th DAY OF MAY, 2021.

**FLOZELL DANIELS
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



Rampart Streetcar Line: Emergency Recovery Project Opinion of Probable Cost					
#	Item	Unit	Quantity	2021 Unit Cost	Extended
1	Tensioning and Alignment of Canal Streetcar Line OCS from Roosevelt Way to S. Liberty Street ^{1,2} <i>Misc. equipment rental (JLG 34 ft. articulated lifts) (weekly rental)</i> <i>Light tower w/diesel generator (weekly rental)</i>	LF-wire EA EA	2200 6 3	\$22.00 \$975.00 \$350.00	\$ 48,400.00 \$ 5,850.00 \$ 1,050.00
2	Purchase of replacement trolley wire: S. Liberty to Roosevelt Way <i>Trolley Wire Conductor - 4/0 Grooved H.D. Copper</i>	FT	2200	\$40.00	\$ 88,000.00
3	Testing of reinstallations and retensioning ² <i>Labor (8 Elec. @ \$38/mh)</i> <i>Labor (8 Elec. @ \$38/mh x 1.5)</i>	LS DAY WKEND	1 4 1	 \$2,432.00 \$10,944.00	\$ 20,672.00 \$ 9,728.00 \$ 10,944.00
4	Install new trolley pole anchor bolt (downriver side of Canal Street @ Rampart) <i>Labor (2 Elec. @ \$38/mh)</i> <i>Misc. tools & materials</i>	DAY EA	1 1	\$608.00 \$50.00	\$ 608.00 \$ 50.00
5	Install new trolley poles and power conduits <i>Misc. equipment rental (JLG 34 ft. articulated lifts) (daily rental)</i>	DAY EA	2 2	\$1,216.00 \$425.00	\$ 2,432.00 \$ 850.00
6	Maintenance and Protection of Traffic ³	DAY	12	\$1,200.00	\$ 14,400.00
7	New Streetcar Detection system at Elks/Canal Street (Estimate provided by RTA Staff) <i>Purchase and install Streetcar Detection system and one (1) New traffic signal</i>	LS	1	\$20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
				Subtotal Cost	\$ 202,312.00
				Mobilization / Demobilization (3%)	\$ 6,069.36
				10% Profit	\$ 20,838.14
				20% Contingency	\$ 40,462.40
				Estimated Total Cost =	\$ 269,681.90

NOTES:

- 1 Alignment Burgundy to S. Liberty is 1,100 LF of route x 2 wires = 2,200 LF-wire
- 2 Work costs assumes
 - "straight" alignment : 6-8 man crew; 3 JLG trucks; 8-10 hour shifts + equipment (3-JLG lifts, truck)
 - HGU: 8 men x 3 @ 12 hour weekend shifts (\$38/hr on premium time) + equipment (3-JLG lifts, truck, lights, etc.)
- 3 Assume duration of two weeks (10 week days) plus 1 weekend = 14 days
- 4 Bacon-Davis rates for Electrician in New Orleans = \$28.50 +\$9.24 fringes = \$37.74/MH
- 5 The cost for trolley wire has risen significantly since the original 2014 installation.