

RESOLUTION NO. 27404

WHEREAS, on recommendation of Management, there was presented for approval, First Amendment to Contracts DA-5456 with Birdi Systems, Inc. and DA-5457 with Direct A/V to extend the term of both contracts through December 31, 2023, and increase the contract authority for Birdi Systems, Inc. (DA-5456) by \$3,643,789 for new total of \$6,893,789, and for new combined total not to exceed \$10,143,789, covering on-call information technology infrastructure operations support services for Los Angeles World Airports; and appropriation of not to exceed \$7,552,382 to support said services and information technology capital projects; and

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WHEREAS, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) uses infrastructure professional services contracts to provide project and operations support services to address urgent information technology (IT) infrastructure needs. Those contracts provide IT infrastructure installation and related services to support many technology and construction programs and projects that provide a safe airport environment and improve airport guest experience; and

WHEREAS, services from said contracts have been used to implement infrastructure and technology for the following projects: Midfield Satellite Concourse Art Program LCD and LED monitor installation for two digital art exhibits, Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) self-boarding gates (eGates) Phase I installation of 24 eGates, US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Simplified Arrival at 18 federal inspection services exit lanes at Terminal 7, and Access Control and Alarm Monitoring System (ACAMS) interlock modifications at West Gates at TBIT; and

WHEREAS, the LAWA Information Management Technology Unit will be implementing the following two new capital improvement program projects that received capital strategy committee approval in November 2021:

- **TBIT eGates Phase II:** Implements eGates at nine departure gates at TBIT. Phase I completed the implementation of eGates at six departure gates in June 2021. Expanded implementation of the biometric exit program demonstrates LAWA's commitment to the Department of Homeland Security Biometric Exit Program, which allows CBP to implement and expand other innovations at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), including the biometric arrival program (Simplified Arrival). It is anticipated that construction for this project will be completed in Spring 2023, with testing and closeout activities completing through the end of the Summer 2023.
- **ACAMS Replacement Phase II:** Migrates ACAMS field equipment to the new Lenel OnGuard system at West Gates at TBIT, Terminal 1.5, and Taxiway P. Migration to Lenel ensures continuous manufacturer support of ACAMS enabling LAWA to comply with Transportation Security Administration regulations. It is anticipated that this project will be completed in Fall 2022. Convergent Technologies, LLC completed Phase I of the migration to the new Lenel OnGuard system at all other LAX facilities systems in October 2021. The West Gates at TBIT, Terminal 1.5, and Taxiway P project schedules were ahead of Phase I and were unable to install the Lenel OnGuard hardware due to schedule and cost impacts. Birdi Systems, Inc. (Birdi) has specific knowledge of LAWA's ACAMS system as said company is previously the ACAMS operations and maintenance support contractor, and has recently installed ACAMS devices for various LAWA capital construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the original plan was for Convergent Technologies, LLC to perform the ACAMS Phase II work after Phase I; however, the company declined to provide a quote for the work. LAWA did not have approval for TBIT eGates Phase II when this contract was awarded. LAWA requested and received quotes from Birdi and Direct A/V for the above-mentioned scopes of work. Birdi's



price was significantly lower than Direct A/V’s price on both scopes of work and, therefore, LAWA selected Birdi to perform the work. Extending both Contracts DA-5456 and DA-5457 to December 31, 2023 will enable Birdi to complete the TBIT eGates project and will provide Direct A/V the opportunity to compete for future infrastructure projects that may be needed; and

WHEREAS, the contract expenditures and authority are as follows:

Company Name	Birdi	Direct A/V	Combined Total
Original Contract Authority	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$ 6,500,000
Expenditures to Date	1,704,715	268,213	1,972,928
Remaining Contract Authority	\$1,545,285	\$2,981,787	\$ 4,527,072
First Amendment Costs	\$5,189,074	\$ 0	\$ 5,189,074
Additional First Amendment Contract Authority Needed	\$3,643,789	\$ 0	\$ 3,643,789
New Contract Authority	\$6,893,789	\$3,250,000	\$10,143,789; and

WHEREAS, this item, as a continuing administrative, maintenance and personnel-related activity, is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements pursuant to Article II, Section 2.f. of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines. In addition, interior and exterior alterations involving remodeling or minor construction where there will be negligible or no expansion of use is exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to Article III, Class 1 (1); and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V will comply with the provisions of the Living Wage Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Procurement Services Division has reviewed this action (File 9038) and established mandatory goals of 20% Small Business Enterprise (SBE), 5% Local Business Enterprise (LBE), and 3% Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE). Both Birdi and Direct A/V committed to 100% SBE, 100% LBE, and 100% LSBE; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V are required by contract to comply with the provisions of the Affirmative Action Program; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V have been assigned Business Tax Registration Certificates 0002162248-0001-3 and 0000943863-0001-6, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V are required by contract to comply with the provisions of the Child Support Obligations Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V have approved insurance documents, in the terms and amounts required, on file with LAWA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Charter Section 1022, staff determined that the work specified on the contracts can be performed more feasibly or economically by an independent contractor than by City employees; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V have submitted the Contractor Responsibility Program Questionnaire and Pledge of Compliance, and will comply with the provisions of said program; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V must be determined by Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance, to be in full compliance with the provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance, prior to contract amendment; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V have submitted the Bidder Contributions CEC Form 55, and will comply with its provisions; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V have submitted the MLO Bidder Contributions CEC Form 50, and will comply with its provisions; and

WHEREAS, Birdi and Direct A/V will comply with the provisions of the Iran Contracting Act; and

WHEREAS, actions taken on this item by the Board of Airport Commissioners will become final pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles City Charter Section 373;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Airport Commissioners adopted the Staff Report; determined that this action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Article II, Section 2.f. and Article III, Class 1 (1) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines; found that the work can be performed more economically or feasibly by an independent contractor than by City employees; further found that pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.15(a)(10) and Los Angeles Charter Section 371(e)(10), the services to be provided under the contracts involve performance of professional, expert, technical, and other special services such that use of competitive bidding would be impractical and undesirable; approved the First Amendment to Contracts DA-5456 with Birdi Systems, Inc. and DA-5457 with Direct A/V to extend the term of both contracts through December 31, 2023, and increase the contract authority for Birdi Systems, Inc. (DA-5456) by \$3,643,789 for new total of \$6,893,789, and for new combined total not to exceed \$10,143,789, covering on-call information technology infrastructure operations support services for Los Angeles World Airports; authorized the Chief Executive Officer to execute said First Amendment to Contracts DA-5456 with Birdi Systems, Inc. and DA-5457 with Direct A/V after approval as to form by the City Attorney and approval by the Los Angeles City Council; and further approved appropriation of \$4,892,806, for Phase II of the Tom Bradley International Terminal Self-Boarding Gates Project, from the LAX Revenue Fund to WBS Element 1.22.10A-700 (LAX TBIT Automated Biometric Boarding Gates – Phase II), and \$2,659,576, for Phase II of the Access Control and Alarm Monitoring System Replacement Project, from the LAX Revenue Fund to WBS Element 1.22.11A-700 (ACAMS Replacement Project – Phase II), whereas operating funds are already appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget.

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I hereby certify that this Resolution No. 27404 is true and correct, as adopted by the Board of Airport Commissioners at its Regular Meeting held on Thursday, December 16, 2021.


Grace Miguel – Secretary
BOARD OF AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS