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Award

TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF LOCK, UNLOCK, KEY HOLDING AND ALARM RESPONSE SERVICES T21/22-037

Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF LOCK, UNLOCK, KEY HOLDING AND ALARM RESPONSE SERVICES T21/22-037

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79710000 - Security services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The council require a Lock and Unlock Service for its Parks and Amenities and a Key holding and alarm response and open/close of Dundonald Ice bowl and Bradford Court. This contract is in the form of 3 Lots; Lot 1 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal. Lot 2 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal including Toilet facility cleaning. Lot 3 Key holding and alarm response and open/ close Dundonald Ice bowl and Bradford Court.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £1,136,315.57

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal.

Lot No

Lot 1 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal.

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79710000 - Security services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKNOE - Lisburn and Castlereagh

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 40

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 60

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal including Toilet facility cleaning.

Lot No

Lot 2 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal including Toilet facility cleani

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- 79710000 - Security services

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II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 Open / Close with visual inspection, litter lift and disposal including Toilet facility cleaning.

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Options: No

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The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3 Key holding and alarm response and open/ close Dundonald Ice bowl and Bradford Court.

Lot No

Lot 3 Key holding and alarm response and open/ close Dundonald Ice bowl and Bradford Court.

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79710000 - Security services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0E - Lisburn and Castlereagh

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II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Regulation 72(1)(c) permits this modification, due to unforeseen circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen, the overall nature of the contract is not altered and Modification value does not exceed 50 % of the original contract value

(i) the need for modification has been brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen;

Due to the unforeseen termination of a Contract between the LCCC and Hi-Tech, with termination notice being provided 30 days in advance. Due to the unexpected termination of the Contract, the Council, despite their best efforts, did not have sufficient time to carry out a tender exercise. To ensure continuity of services, avoidance of reputational damage and on health and safety grounds, it was agreed to invoke an emergency appointment of a new Contractor.

Upon evaluation, the best option for maintaining the delivery of services, compliance with the relevant procurement regulations as well as value for money would be achieved by modifying an existing contract between LCCC and Cobra to incorporate the additional duties following the termination of the previous Contract with Hi-Tech. Other contracts were considered however were not suitable. Regulation 72(1) (b) further permits this as a change of provider:

(i) cannot be made for economic and technical reasons as requirements of interchangeability or interoperability of services procured under the original procurement and given the need to ensure continued services; and

(ii) will cause significant inconvenience and duplication of costs.

It has also been brought about by unforeseen inflationary pressures and in particular wage inflation.

(ii) the modification does not alter the overall nature of the contract;

Regulation 72(1)(c) permits this extension as the overall nature of the contract is not altered. The modification does not alter the existing contract with Cobra as similar duties are carried out under their current contract, such as:

- Opening/closing of facilities
- Litter picking
- Cleaning of welfare facilities
- Building/facility inspections
- Legionella flushing of facilities.
- Playing surface inspections

There is extension to the number of sites and the additional services Cobra will be responsible for following this modification include, but are not limited to:

- Erecting corner flags for pitches
- Rolling out of roll-away football goal nets.
- Extension of cleaning to include changing facilities.

Due to unforeseen inflationary pressures, combined with the increase in minimum/living wage an uplift will be applied to the originally tendered hourly of 14.9% for the existing services and 22.2% for the additional duties performed by way of the variation of the contract.

(iii) any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract or framework agreement.

The increase in the expenditure in the contract brought about through the increase in services and the increase in the minimum/living wage will not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract and indeed is currently estimated to fall within the levels permitted under Regulation 72 (5) but notwithstanding this notice is published in the interest of transparency.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 March 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,136,315.57

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom