

Ord.

2009-0213

**INTRODUCED BY: V.J. ST. PIERRE, JR., PARISH PRESIDENT
(DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS)**

ORDINANCE NO. 09-6-7

An ordinance to approve and authorize the execution of a Construction Contract with Fisk Electric Co. for Project No. P090101 St. Charles Parish Courthouse Emergency Generator in the amount of \$992,200.00.

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received by St. Charles Parish on May 14, 2009 for Project No. P090101 St. Charles Parish Courthouse Emergency Generator; and,

WHEREAS, Huseman & Associates, L.L.C., the Engineer for the Project, has reviewed the bids and recommended that the Contract be awarded to the low bidder, Fisk Electric Co., in the amount of \$992,200.00; and,

WHEREAS, the existing SCP Courthouse emergency generator capacity is not capable of powering the entire Courthouse complex during a utility power outage, larger generator capacity is required to power the complete Courthouse complex to maintain SCP Services and Emergency Response capabilities.

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION I. That the bid of Fisk Electric Co., for the purchase and installation of the Courthouse Emergency Generator under Project P090101 St. Charles Parish Courthouse Emergency Generator, be hereby accepted, in the amount of \$992,200.00.

SECTION II. That the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said Contract on behalf of the Parish of St. Charles.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: SCHEXNAYDRE, AUTHEMENT, RAYMOND, TASTET, BENEDETTO, HOGAN, COCHRAN, LAMBERT, NUSS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

And the ordinance was declared adopted this 15th day of June, 2009, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: *Ty Autth*
SECRETARY: *Barbara Jean Tucker*
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: *June 16, 2009*
APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____
PARISH PRESIDENT: *W. St.*
RETD/SECRETARY: *June 16, 2009*
AT: *3:20 pm* RECD BY: *BGA*

RECORDED IN THE ST. CHARLES PARISH
CLERK OF COURT OFFICE
ON *June 17, 2009*
AS ENTRY NO. *352783*
IN MORTGAGE/CONVEYANCE BOOK
NO. *1331* FOLIO *1*

SECTION 00500

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is effective as of the 16th day of June in the year 2009 by and between the Parish of St. Charles, called the OWNER, and Fisk Electric hereinafter called the CONTRACTOR.

OWNER and CONTRACTOR, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1. WORK

CONTRACTOR shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents for the above Project. The Work is generally described as follows:

The Contract Work generally comprises of the purchasing and permanent installation of a 1250kW emergency generator to power all requirements for the three (3) story St. Charles Parish Courthouse building, including the EOC, under full capacity, while minimizing power down time to the building, not to exceed 4 hours.

ARTICLE 2. ENGINEER

The Project has been designed by Huseman & Associates who is hereinafter called ENGINEER and who will assume all duties and responsibilities and have the rights and authority assigned to ENGINEER in the Contract Documents in connection with completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 3. CONTRACT TIME

- 3.1 The Contractor shall complete all of the Work under the Contract within 175 calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed.
- 3.2 Liquidated Damages - OWNER and CONTRACTOR recognize that the OWNER will suffer direct financial loss if Work is not completed within the Contract times specified in Paragraph 3.1 above plus any extensions thereof allowed in accordance with Article 12 of the General Conditions, and therefore, time is of the essence. They also recognize the delays, expense and difficulties involved in proving in a legal proceeding the actual loss suffered by OWNER if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, CONTRACTOR and Surety agree to forfeit and pay OWNER as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty) the amount of \$200.00 for each calendar day that expires after the Contract Time specified

in Paragraph 3.1 for final completion and ready for final acceptance until the Work is completed. These amounts represent a reasonable estimate of OWNER's expenses for extended delays and for inspection, engineering services and administrative costs associated with such delay. This provision shall be effective between the parties ipso facto and without demand or putting in default, it being specifically agreed that the CONTRACTOR by his mere failure to complete the work on or before the date specified shall be deemed in default

- 3.3 Penalty – It is critical that the building has power during normal working hours. In the event the building does not power due to construction related items during normal working hours the CONTRACTOR will pay OWNER \$10,000 for each calendar day that the owner does not have power during normal working hours.

ARTICLE 4. CONTRACT PRICE

CONTRACT PRICE: The amount to be paid to the Contractor by the Owner for completion of all work hereunder is: (\$992,200.00) nine hundred ninety-two thousand, two hundred Dollars based on unit prices specified within this contract document. Contract price is firm and subject only to modification by written change order agreed to by both parties.

ARTICLE 5. PAYMENT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with Article 14 of the General Conditions. Applications for Payment will be processed by ENGINEER as provided in the General Conditions.

- 5.1 Progress payments. OWNER shall make progress payments which exceed \$5,000 on account of the Contract price on the basis of CONTRACTOR's Applications for Payment, as recommended by ENGINEER, on or about the thirtieth (30th) day following receipt by the OWNER. Applications for Payments less than \$5,000 shall be accumulated until the next payment period or until final payment.

Progress payments will be based upon estimated quantities of completed contract unit price items or upon estimated percentages of completion of the schedule of lump sum values of labor and materials incorporated into the Work on the last day of each month or other mutually agreed regular monthly date ending the progress payment period.

- 5.2 Retainage. Retainage shall be withheld and payments will be made by the OWNER in the payment amount of: 1) ninety percent (90%) of the approved payment applications for projects with contract prices of less than \$500,000; or 2) ninety-five percent (95%) of the approved payment applications for the projects with contract prices of \$500,000 or greater.
- 5.3 Final Acceptance and Final Payment. Upon the final completion of all Work, the CONTRACTOR may request a final inspection and may make a final Application for Payment as provided by Paragraph 14.12 of the General Conditions, upon the OWNER's certificate of final acceptance.

Final acceptance of the Work, based upon the certificate of final acceptance, shall be by resolution of the Council of the Parish of St. Charles.

When substantial completion is granted by the Owner, the Certificate of Substantial Completion is then transmitted to the Contractor for filing with the recorder of mortgages of the Parish of St. Charles. This begins the not less than forty-five (45) day lien period as prescribed for Public Works by Louisiana Revised Statutes 38:2242.

At the expiration of the lien period it is the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to obtain a certificate from the Recorder of Mortgages of the Parish of St. Charles that the Contract is clear of any liens or privileges, and said certificate shall be presented to the OWNER for final payment and release of retainage, less any such sums as may be lawfully withheld under the Contract.

ARTICLE 6. CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS

In order to induce OWNER to enter into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR makes the following representations:

- 6.1 CONTRACTOR has familiarized itself with the nature and extent of the Contract Documents, Work, site, locality, and all local conditions and laws and regulations that in any manner may affect cost, progress, performance or finishing of the Work.
- 6.2 CONTRACTOR has studied carefully all reports of explorations and tests of subsurface physical conditions and drawings of physical conditions which are identified in the Information Available To Bidders and as provided in the General Conditions.
- 6.3 CONTRACTOR has obtained and carefully studied (or assumed responsibility for obtaining and carefully studying) all such examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, reports and studies (in addition to or to supplement those referred to in Paragraph 6.2 above) which pertain to the subsurface or physical conditions at or contiguous to the site or which otherwise may affect the cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work as CONTRACTOR considers necessary for the performance or furnishing of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Time and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, including specifically the provisions of Paragraph 4.2 of the General Conditions. In exercising its responsibility with respect to subsurface conditions and physical conditions at the site, CONTRACTOR has or will obtain or perform at no additional cost to the OWNER such additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, reports, studies, or similar information or data as may be required by CONTRACTOR for such purposes.

ARTICLE 7. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The following Contract Documents, which comprise the entire Agreement between OWNER and CONTRACTOR, are all hereby made a part of that Agreement to the same extent as if incorporated herein in full:

- 7.1 Agreement
- 7.2 Construction Performance and Payment Bond and Insurance Certificates
- 7.3 Advertisement for Bids
- 7.4 CONTRACTOR's Bid Form
- 7.5 Addenda (Numbers 1 to 4 inclusive)
- 7.6 Contract documents bearing the general title "Parish Courthouse Emergency Stand-by Generator" dated March 30, 2009 .
- 7.7 Drawings, consisting of a cover sheet dated March 30, 2009 and the sheets listed on Drawing T1 ; each sheet bearing the following general title:

 " Parish Courthouse Emergency Stand-by Generator ".
- 7.8 General Conditions
- 7.9 General Conditions, pages 00700-1 through 00700-31 and Section 00800, Supplementary Conditions, pages 00800-1 through 00800-25, and Second Supplementary Conditions have been adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council as a Standard General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions for Construction Contracts. Those General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions are to be referred to in the agreement and contract as "GEN.COND, CONST - 7/98 filed in MOB 682, Folio 230 filed with the St. Charles Parish Clerk of Court."

There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above in this Article 7. The Contract may only be amended, modified or supplemented as provided for in the General Conditions.

ARTICLE 8. MISCELLANEOUS

- 8.1 General Conditions, pages 00700-1 through 00700-31 and Section 00800, Supplementary Conditions, pages 00800-1 through 00800-25, and Second Supplementary Conditions have been adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council as a Standard General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions for Construction Contracts. Those General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions are to be referred to in the agreement and contract as "GEN.COND, CONST - 7/98 filed in MOB 682, Folio 230 filed with the St. Charles Parish Clerk of Court."
- 8.2 No assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract Documents will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound;

an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the OWNER may assign this contract to the State of Louisiana or any political subdivision, municipality, special district or authority thereof without CONTRACTOR's consent and without recourse.

8.3 OWNER and CONTRACTOR each binds himself, his partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party hereto, his partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

8.4 It is hereby agreed and understood by the parties hereto that any and all disputes that may result in litigation shall be litigated in the 29th Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Charles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OWNER and CONTRACTOR have signed this Agreement effective as of the date first written above. All portions of the Contract Documents have been signed or identified by OWNER and CONTRACTOR or by ENGINEER on their behalf.

OWNER: Parish of St. Charles

CONTRACTOR

By [Signature]

By [Signature]

Title Parish President

Title Vice President

Attest Barbara Faith Tucker

Attest [Signature]

END OF SECTION

[Handwritten initials]