

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LIBRARY
DETERMINATION & FINDINGS FOR MANDATORY SET-ASIDE OF
CONTRACTS \$250,000.00 OR LESS**

1. AUTHORIZATION

DC Official Code Section § 2-218.44 and 2-218.45

2. MINIMUM NEED

The District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) has a need to purchase twelve (12) Darran Babble Chairs for its Mt. Pleasant Neighborhood Branch Library.

3. CONTRACTOR

The Bialek Corporation of Maryland

4. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE

\$11,261.00

5. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY AWARD TO OTHER THAN A CERTIFIED SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) OR CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CBE) CONTRACTOR

The DCPL Office of Procurement issued a Request for Quotations (RFQ) on Monday, March 1, 2018 to two (2) Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) and one non-SBE. The Procurement Office received price quotes from one Small Business Business Enterprise (SBE), and one non-SBE, while the second SBE did not respond by the March 5, 2018 deadline. Upon analyzing the price quotes received, it was determined that the price quote from the SBE was 29% higher than that received by the non-SBE.

Therefore, a purchase order was awarded to The Bialek Corporation of Maryland on March 9, 2018.

6. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the procurement of goods and services from other than a SBE or CBE contractor in accordance with DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45 and recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve this proposed action.

Date

3/9/2018


Barry A. Martin
Contract Specialist

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, DC Official Code Section 2-218.44 and 2-218.45, I hereby determine that the award of this procurement action for the goods or services described herein is in the best interest of the District of Columbia Public Library.

3/9/18
Date

DW
Diane Wooden
Chief Procurement Officer