DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

CAPTION: Shared Technical Feasibility Study
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: PwC Strategy& (US) LLC
PROGRAM AGENCY: District of Columbia Public Library

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION:**

   19 DCMR §4320.7 and D.C. Official Code §2-354.04.

2. **MINIMUM NEED:**

   The District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) in conjunction with DC Public Schools (DCPS) has a need to explore the feasibility of a single technical services department that would select, order, purchase, acquire, catalog, sort and distribute materials for both DCPL and DCPS.

3. **ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

   $142,000.00

4. **FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:**

   A. On March 6, 2015, DCPL issued a Request for Task Order proposal to three (3) firms to engage the assistance of a consultant to conduct a rapid, rigorous and objective study for DCPL to explore the feasibility of a single technical services department to be managed by DCPL. The three (3) firms were: Deloitte Consulting LLP; 2) Grant Thornton LLP; and 3) PwC Strategy& (US) LLC. DCPL’s estimate for the services was less than $100k.

   B. On March 20, 2015, the due date for receipt of proposals, one (1) proposal was received from PwC Strategy& (US) LLC in the amount of $389,988.00. After evaluation, discussion and negotiation of the original proposal by DCPL and DCPS officials, on April 17, 2015, the Contractor submitted a revised proposal in the amount of $142,000.00.

   C. PwC Strategy& (US) LLC is a global team of strategists with over 100 years of strategy consulting experience. In addition, the Contractor has past experience with other libraries for similar shared technical services assessments. Clients include the New York City Library System, the New York and Brooklyn Library and the Abu Dhabi National Library.
D. The Contractor has the experience, resources, and staff ready to begin and complete the study by the end of fiscal year 2015. Therefore, it is in the best interest of DCPL to award a contract to PwC Strategy& (US) LLC to provide the required shared technical feasibility study.

5. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACT SPECIALIST:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority, I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source procurement was published in accordance with D.C. Official Code §2-354.04 and that no response was received. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source method of procurement for this proposed action.

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Date                      Darryn Martin
                           Contract Specialist

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the DCPL Procurement Regulations, 19 DCMR §4320.7 I hereby determine that the award of this sole source action for the services described herein is in the best interest of the District of Columbia Public Library.

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Date                      Diane Wooden
                           Chief Procurement Officer