



Date of Memo: November 04, 2022
Current Meeting: November 10, 2022
Board Meeting: November 17, 2022

BOARD MEMORANDUM

TO: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors
THROUGH: President/CEO Inez P. Evans
FROM: Director of Life Safety and Security Mark Emmons
SUBJECT: Consideration and approval of Alertus Building Mass Notification System

ACTION ITEM A – 7

RECOMMENDATION:

In a manner consistent with IPTC contract award standards, we request that the Board authorize the President/CEO to enter into a contract agreement with Multiguard Corporation. This agreement will be for the purchase and installation of the Alertus Building Mass Notification System at 9503 E 33rd Street and 2425 W. Michigan Street for an amount not to exceed \$192,551.

BACKGROUND:

IPTC has two new buildings that will house both IPTC employees and contracted employees. These new buildings do not have a system that would notify the staff in the event of an emergency, severe weather, or workplace violence event. This system will do that and much more.

As part of a complete critical event management system, the Aletrus system will be an extension of the Everbridge system that IPTC is also procuring for a system-wide mass notification system. Working with the Everbridge platform, Alertus will give audio and visual alerts to the employees, contractors, and visitors that may be in one of the buildings where an emergency is taking place. Those alerts will tell the employees what the emergency is and what actions they should take to protect themselves.

DISCUSSION:

The new system will allow IPTC to have Alertus beacons and marquee signs installed throughout each building which will notify staff of any emergencies. The project will be a sole source project as Alertus is the only manufacturer of this system. Alertus does not sell its product to the end user and requires IPTC to use an authorized Alertus dealer to purchase and install the equipment.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to award this contract. If this alternative is selected, the implications of this decision are as follows:

- There would be no mass notification system to notify employees of emergencies at the new IPTC facilities.
- IPTC may have to purchase a separate stand-alone Building Mass Notification System that could require more employee interaction to manage and could cost more to purchase.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This project is unbudgeted and the funding source for this procurement will come from the proceeds of the 2021 approved bond issue.

DBE/XBE DECLARATION:

There is no DBE goal associated with this contract award.

STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:

This action will be reviewed by the Finance Committee on November 10, 2022.