

PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL

REPORT TO COMMISSIONERS

**FROM JON M. GUTZMANN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

REGARDING Hi-Rise Window Replacement
At Central, Neill and Ravoux Hi-Rises;
AMP 7; Contract No. 10-073

DATE February 24, 2010

Staff requests Board approval to award a contract for the Hi-Rise Window Replacement at Central, Neill and Ravoux Hi-Rises (AMP 7) to the lowest responsible bidder, National Window Associates, Inc., of Rogers, Minnesota, for the bid amount of \$1,668,000. A copy of the February 9, 2010 bid tabulation is attached.

This contract includes removal of the existing windows, installation of new windows and interior window sills, installation of new sealant around the windows, and patching and painting the walls affected by the work. As part of this project, the sliding glass doors and the exterior window sills at Central Hi-Rise will also be replaced. The work will comply with all applicable codes.

National Window Associates has not performed work for the PHA before, however they have worked extensively with the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority and CommonBond Communities. Staff has checked references and all gave acceptable or better ratings. Copies of the Employer Information Reports for National Window Associates and the second low bidder, Frerichs Construction, are attached. National Window Associates intends to subcontract 9% of the work to a minority-owned business enterprise (MBE) and 23% of the work to a woman owned business enterprise (WBE). National Window Associates intends to comply with

Section 3 requirements by ensuring that at least 30% of the new hires for this contract will be Section 3 residents.

This project will be funded from the PHA's \$3.28 million Competitive Capital Fund Recovery Grant for AMP 7 (from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, also called the Stimulus Act).

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Attachment