

OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Toll Plaza Camera System from Northwestern Ohio Security Systems Inc. in the Total Amount of \$1,139,995.12

WHEREAS, under Resolution No. 32-2003, adopted on July 21, 2003, the Executive Director is authorized to participate in state contracts through the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (“DAS”) Cooperative Purchasing Program, through which members may purchase supplies, services, equipment and other materials in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 125.04; and

WHEREAS, one of the Commission’s Guiding Principles is to Improve Safety; and

WHEREAS, in support of the Commission’s Key Objectives is to Improve Safety and Enhance Security, the External Technologies Task Force recognized the need for improved monitoring of Commission Facilities using cameras; and

WHEREAS, an internal work group of the Task Force (“Task Force Group”) concluded that a singular Video Management System and uniformity in camera models, when practical, is advantageous for ease of operations, support and future maintenance efforts at the Commission’s buildings; and

WHEREAS, beginning in February 2020, the Task Force Group developed and implemented a proof-of-concept camera system at the Middle Ridge Service Plaza, engaging Northwestern Ohio Security Systems, Inc. (“NWOSS”), of Lima, Ohio, to provide recommendations for camera models and placement; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force Group concluded that the camera system at Middle Ridge Service Plaza met or exceeded the desired goals and that quotations for the remaining Service Plaza locations should be sought; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force Group also developed a proof-of-concept plan for the Hiram Maintenance Building; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 61-2021, adopted October 18, 2021, the Commission authorized the purchase of a Service Plaza Camera System and Maintenance Building Proof-of-Concept Camera System from NWOSS in the total amount of \$1,709,463.09, through the DAS Purchasing Program under State of Ohio Master Maintenance Agreement No. 7635, including required hardware and software component, professional services for cabling and installation and one year of monitoring services; and

WHEREAS, throughout 2021, the Task Force Group worked with Toll Operations and the Toll Collection System (“TCS”) Project Team, with input from NWOSS, to finalize a camera replacement plan for the Commission’s toll plazas, specifically at twenty (20) toll plazas between Milepost 52 and Milepost 209 which will make up the ticketed portion of the new TCS); and

WHEREAS, NWOSS submitted a proposal to furnish all required hardware and software components, professional services for cabling and installation for the new Toll Plaza Camera System and one year of monitoring from State of Ohio Master Maintenance Agreement No. 7635 in the amount of \$1,139,995.12; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Toll Plaza Camera System is compatible with the Administration Building, Service Plaza and Maintenance Building installations, will replace the existing FLIR System installed in 2009 which currently is maintained by TransCore, improve the camera coverage of the current system, and achieve the goal of the Commission’s camera system being in a single video management platform; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Information Officer and the Task Force Group recommends that the Commission approve the purchase of hardware and software components, professional and monitoring services for a Toll Plaza Camera System in the total amount of \$1,139,995.12; and

WHEREAS, Commission action is necessary under Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission's Code of Bylaws because the expenditures required to purchase the hardware and software components, professional and monitoring services exceeds \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has reviewed the recommendation of the Chief Information Officer and concurs that the Commission should approve the purchase of hardware and software components, professional services for cabling and installation of a Toll Plaza Camera System and one year of monitoring from State of Ohio Master Maintenance Agreement No. 7635 under the DAS Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the purchase of a Toll Plaza Camera System is necessary for maintaining and improving the security and safety of the Commission, its customers and staff; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the purchase of the hardware and software components, professional services for cabling and installation of a Toll Plaza Camera System and one year of monitoring from Northwestern Ohio Security Systems Inc. of Lima, Ohio, through the DAS Purchasing Program under State of Ohio Master Maintenance Agreement No. 7635, in the total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,139,995.12, is approved.

(Resolution No. 10-2022 adopted January 24, 2022)