



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of City Coordinator**

Date: November 14, 2005

To: Council Member Barbara Johnson, Chair
Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: New Central Library Project
Award of Bid – Bid Package No. 8
Contract Category #17 – Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment/Audio Visual Systems
Official Publication No 6511

Recommendation:

Authorize acceptance of the low bid of Dascom Systems Group, Inc. for the Contract Category #17, audio visual systems, as referenced in the attached letter dated 10/13/05 from Architectural Alliance and as indicated in the plans and specifications. All this work including furnishing and delivering all material, labor, equipment and incidentals necessary to accomplish the work of Contract Category #17, Audio Visual Systems, all in accordance with the plans, specifications and addenda prepared by Architectural Alliance and titled "Minneapolis Central Library Bid Package No. 8 – Contract Category No. 17, Audio Visual Systems for a total contract price of \$238, 989. Terms are net 30 days. F.O.B.: Site. It is further recommended that proper Library Board and City Officers be authorized and directed to execute a contract for this project all in accordance with our specifications. (4400 – 908 –9080)

Previous Directives:

- October 25, 2002 Acceptance of Schematic Design and Budget for new Library.
Authorization of bond sale.

Prepared/Submitted by: Richard A Johnson, Project Coordinator 612-334-1671

Recommended:

Approved:

Richard A. Johnson
Project Coordinator

Gary Warnberg,
Director of Purchasing

John Moir
City Coordinator

Presenter in Committee: Richard A Johnson, Project Coordinator

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget
If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact (use any categories that apply)

Neighborhood Notification
City Goals
Comprehensive Plan
Zoning Code
Other

Background/Supporting Information

In November 2000, the citizens of Minneapolis approved a referendum in the amount of \$110 million for the purpose of building a new Minneapolis Central Library on the site of the current Central Library building. On October 25, 2002, the City Council approved the Schematic Design and Budget for the new Library, authorized the Project Coordinator to proceed with design development and requested the Board of Estimate and Taxation to sell \$110 million in bonds authorized by the referendum. On October 25, 2002, the City Council also accepted the low bid of F.M. Frattalone for deconstruction of the existing library.

The bids for Bid Package Number 8, Contract Category Number 17, Audio Visual Systems were opened on September 27, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. and Dascom Systems Group was the apparent low bidder.

The Project Office and the Architect reviewed the bids and determined that the recommended bidder is both responsive and responsible.