

>> Okay as usual I'm going to go very, very quickly through these and invite you to stop me at any point with whatever questions you might have. The first item is a negotiated service with American museum of natural history, for the urban advantage program.

I think it's noteworthy that this is actually largely a city council discretionary allocation , it names American museum of natural history, for nearly \$3.4 million of the nearly 4.4 million dollars in total system. The DOE is contributing just shy of a million dollars towards this, and that's what causes us to call this a negotiated service, because technically there's no mandate that that million dollars be spent on the program.

But as a practical matter it's American museum of natural history program, in concert with Brooklyn botanical gardens and brox-- the New York haul of science, Brooklyn botanical gar tans and other institutions.

The next item tlz negotiated service with Cornell university provides professional development and certification of therapeutic crisis intervention to district's 75 staff members there was a stip that actually required we use Cornell that's why we couldn't do this as competitive procurement as a practical matter.

The next item also negotiated a service, is for a contract with New York public library, Brooklyn public library and queens public library to provide resources through enhanced online-- my library New York City about a third, 34 percent of the cost of this program is paid for by Citigroup, dough is dough is providing 30 percent, and rest by providers, this is joined-- currently there are 536 schools at 386 sites participating so schools are only participating in this program if they want to.

>> David -DELETE-

>> Yeah

>> Staten Island and the Bronx opt out of this because they're not included.

>> I don't know, Robert, I will check into that and let you know, okay?

>> Okay.

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>> Oh is that right?

I don't know if that might be--

>> Do you want to share that

>> Robert we're going to double check but my understanding is actually that the New York public library encompasses the Bronx and the Staten Island library systems.

And that it's Brooklyn and quaens are in separate samples, but we'll confirm that 4.

>> Okay

>> Yeah I think that might be what it is.

>> I never thought to ask, good question, actually whether-- I don't think it's in my notes because I wouldn't have thought to ask about that.

Okay, so we'll check on that.

I'm going to-- with that for sure.

Next one is operative cake, we currently get our bread from three different providers, and this goes in the unusual direction of going to one provider, and we did the bid that way so we did it as a single winner take all competitive request for proposals.

There are several reasons why we wanted to do this, as one award. They included that we wanted to have some new products development for-- developed for DOE and their cost efficiencies and practical benefits to have a single vendor that is providing that. We wanted a single vendor because it helps us if they have overstock in certain commodities, it makes it so that we can buy more without having different menu items in different locations. And on the flip side, if there are shortages we can re-menu city wide rather than having different menus in different locations.

It helps with program management, there are a whole variety of benefits that we get from having a single vendorment. I want to emphasize that when we buy food on a lot of the large items, not the bread, but on a lot of the other large items we do bids by item, and we actually have currently 4 food distribution suppliers across six areas, and we buy milk separately, as well. So it's not like we're buying all of our food at this particular set, the breads we did as a single award.

We did get two proposals for the city-wide contract, and as you can see, the proposed award is to operative cake.

They were selected through a request for proposals, and they did offer the lowest pricing of -- the lower pricing of the two vendors, and by a fairly significant margin.

So it's a big contract for us and like I said, as you see, we emphasized in procurement lot of different areas increasing the number of vendors to get in some cases better minority and small business participation, the rest, this is unique in a way, is a contract that we actually went the other direction but I think the reasons were pretty good for doing that.

The next contract was for school bus consultants.

We wanted to have someone help with an assessment of the office of pupil transportation's school bus routing process.

The recommendations used as a result of this will inform future solicitations for potentially for software package and systems to do that work, the winning vendor on this contract, it was required in the RFP, and this may be stating the obvious, will not be allowed to submit a proposal to bid on the ultimate contract that might-- the ultimate procurement contract that would result from this.

There weren't three proposals but one of them was disqualified fairly quickly because that vendor was not viewed as neutral or having no interest in the outcome of the solicitation, so it was really a competition of two although we see three proposals.

>> David will that vendor also be responsible for looking at the violations imposed by the bus companies?

I went on a website and I saw huge violations. Levied against some of the bus companies.

>> Yeah, that's really not the purpose of this particular procurement.

>> Okay.

>> This procurement is about creating-- is about informing what ultimately be a procurement to solicit new bus routing software, new ways of routing buses.

>> Got you okay.

>> It's a totally different subject.

>> Okay.

>> The next two RFPs-- next two sets of vendors are both awards for prekindergarten services , the first one will be to-- new prekindergartners for prekindergarten services next item item 7 is the same but for charter schools that have proposed for preK services, there will be a bunch of new vendors before I get to the panel meeting, there are finishing touches being put on the RA to add all the vendors that will be proposed for award. This is the-- a late item getting to the panel, and we knew that ahead of time because we wanted to get as much time as possible to get through the vetting process for the vendors, both in terms of evaluating the vendor qualifications for award, the quality of programs, and ultimately doing background checks so we can get as many awards done as possible at this panel. There will be about 100, or just shy of 100 vendors, that will be proposing to you at this month , and then there will be a bunch more at the May meeting. I'm going to guess around 60 at the May meeting, maybe 50 or 60 vendors at the May meeting as well. There are two items after that, will be discuss May panel meeting they're both being withdrawn for this month, so they're both coming out of the package

>> David?

>> Yeah.

Any reason why it's to be determined as far as the amount?

>> Yeah, we didn't have finalized amounts or even a list of vendors yet. They will all be provided to you at the panel meeting.

>> Okay.

>> So you can expect to get that sometime tomorrow, the full list of vendors with dollar amounts

>> Okay.

>> But you're withdrawing 8 and 9 anyway?

>> Those are the contract-- those are contract amendments.

>> Yes.

>> So those were amendments to contracts on going from 5 hours to 6 hours and 20 minutes, it's really expanding the length of time for these-- what were full day 5 hour program to-- 26 minutes programs but we'll still do that at the May meeting.

Correct.

-DELETE- The next item also which is one of the multiple task award contracts I'm going to that section , that's being withdrawn as well.

That's item 10 for the arts education services.

The next several RAs, and typically rip through these

>> Can I ask why that's being withdrawn?

>> Of course.

-DELETE- Oh, why?

>> Yeah, and will it affect programming for next September

>> No, it's not going to affect programming, it will bring it back to next month when we--

>> (inaudible)

>> Oh, it's just one?

Oh, my mistake, okay I just talk-- it's just valet tech, my mistake it's valet tech being withdrawn my apologies I'll go back to it it was that one vendor not ready.

So the other four which are creative music, interactive drama, savatori, 92nd, are still on for this panel, just to generally remind you these are multiple task award contracts, we already have a bunch of vendors that have contracts you can see they say the RA number, this is the 13th request for authorization, so there were 12 already that were vendors to this list, so it's just adding these additional four vendors.

As able to provide those services.

The next one is the 7th RA for expanded learning time services, it's just adding one vendor to that group of contractors providing those services.

The next is a 10th RA for PD for school leaders and teachers adding a couple of vendors to that set of multiple task award contract vendors.

The next one is the first request for authorization for vendors to provide literacy professional development services, it's not the first time we've done this procurement but we do a refresh on these multiple task award contracts from time to time so this is the first set of awards after we refresh the solicitation with new requirements and the rest, and this is the first group of vendors being awarded pursuant to that solicitation.

The next is the fifth professional development in arts education, this is a PD not direct student services, it's just adding one vendor to that list.

The next one is item number 15, which is special ed professional development services, again adding one vendor to that list.

And we're done with that section.

Next we're going to talk about three grants.

The first one is for everyday arts in special education, as with all the grants this is-- the procurement method the vendor was named in the grant, is glass frog solutions, and that's the first of the items.

The next item is item number 17.

With City University of New York.

This one is City College and the next one is going to be Hunter College, they're both the same grants.

Format matics and science partnerships.

So that's 17 and 18.

So 19 is a listing application.

This one with WorldBook incorporated, it's just what it sounds like, for WorldBooks, reference, instructional materials.

The next item is also a listing application, this one with Vista Learning.

These are for textbooks, that assist teachers in teaching foreign languages such as French, German, Italian, Spanish.

The next one is a listing application with psychoelastic, most of are you probably familiar with Scholastic, it's for the entire educational software product line, as with all the listing applications on a requirements basis. The next two are with Good Shepherd services.

These are both buy against contracts.

So just to explain what happened, some of you may be familiar with banks,

>> Yes

>> Which is very large service providers, social service provider in New York.

We received notice a few months ago that begs was actually going to be going out of business , cease to operate, and we quickly had to do what we needed to do to find alternate service providers, to replace them.

And the DOE, and these contracts, were for learning to work programs.

Some of the learning-- some of the providers that we found, the good shepherd was not the only one to replace FECS on short notice.

We're able to take assignments of contracts, in the case of good shepherd, they were not willing to take the assignment of the FECS contract but they were willing to take them as buy-against So we did buy-against agreements basically the same contract, but discrete new contracts that went to good shepherd for the same services, learning to work services.

I should note that these are not the first learning to work contracts that good shepherd has taken on.

The reason why we went to good shepherd and the other provider was they took assignments, and in this case buy-against from FECS because they had good track records were already providing like services in other locations, so they were just adding locations, and in most cases were actually able to take on many if not all of the FECS staff that were at those locations.

So that's it.

>> I just have one thing.

>> Sure.

>> I have to be recused from 21.

>> Okay.

>> (inaudible) we're going to make a note.

>> Okay thank you.

>> And we're able to confirm that the stypbt island and Bronx public libraries are in fact under the New York public library.

Nobody-- all 5 boroughs will be served by the early ones.

>> Okay.

And as soon as you send me the list of the schools, the UPKs David

>> Oh yeah

>> I may need to be recused from some of those, that's why I'm anxious to get that.

>> Okay that's fine, Robert.

>>-- still working on--

>> Yeah no problem.

>> We'll notify you just as soon as it happens.

>> Okay.

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>> Okay?

>> This feels like (inaudible)

>> Do you want to order them?

>> Yes
>> Any preferences to taking out any items specifically for one grouping?

>> I guess I would just check out for--
>> I don't know why it's operating cake.
It's a bread procurement.
Fresh bread.
Yeah, I think that's probably a good idea.

>> So in two packages?
I mean two groupings for, and then the remaining in another?
Is everyone fine with that?

>> So (inaudible) rer loogz--
>> I don't think 3 has to be taken out, do you?

>> Doing three resolutions, one being item 4, the other two being split into other-- okay.

>> I think 3 were only-- the DOE contribution was \$30,000.
And it's two-thirds paid by other sources.
I don't think it's a program we need question.

>> Okay, we're offline now.