

ORDINANCE NO. 96-130

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC
BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND
AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH
MERCER MANAGEMENT CONSULTING,
INC.

WHEREAS, The Regional Transportation Authority ("RTA") retained the services of Mercer Management Consulting, Inc., ("Mercer") to identify and evaluate savings opportunities at the Chicago Transit Authority ("CTA"); and

WHEREAS, The RTA, the CTA and CTA labor union representatives have worked in a cooperative and open fashion to identify and recommend areas to evaluate for cost efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, Opportunities for savings have, in fact, been so identified by Mercer in their diagnostic analysis of purchasing and material management at the CTA; and

WHEREAS, The CTA desires to retain the services of Mercer to assist in the implementation of the identified savings recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Mercer's familiarity with the structure of the RTA and the CTA would allow them to continue their review and evaluation of CTA efficiencies, avoiding lost time and additional costs, therefor it would not be in the best interest of the CTA to seek competitive public bids for these services; and

WHEREAS, Section 54.3-5 of the Regulations Governing Purchase and Sales Transactions provides for the award of contracts in those situations where the Transit Board determines that competitive public bidding would be disadvantageous; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive public bidding for these services is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Mercer Management Consulting, Inc., to identify, evaluate and implement savings opportunities from privatization and greater efficiencies as the Authority.

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SECTION 3. That Mercer Management Consulting, Inc., shall be reimbursed in an amount not to exceed four hundred six thousand dollars (\$406,000) for these services.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:


Chairman

PASSED:


Secretary

December 11, 1996

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