

ORDINANCE NO. 008-76

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC  
BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND  
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO  
PROVIDE CERTIFICATION SERVICES AND  
PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF CTA  
SMART CARD PHOTO IDENTIFICATION  
CARDS AND PASSES FOR THE CTA ' DISABLED VETERANS PROGRAM' FOR UP  
TO 12 MONTHS

WHEREAS, Governor Blagojevich and the Illinois State Legislature has afforded Illinois Senior citizens the right to ride our public transit system for free; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the recently enacted state legislation (HB 636), the State has granted to the City of Chicago the authority to raise the Real Estate Transfer Tax in hopes of creating revenue stream for the Chicago-area transit; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has amended the Municipal Code of Chicago to include a requirement to provide free rides for any active duty military personnel in uniform and/or displaying appropriate identification and for any veteran of the armed forces who either currently receives military disability payments or has ever received military disability payments from the federal or state government; and

WHEREAS, The type of work required to verify certification for the program and to create and distribute the smart card passes is similar to the scope of work required for the CTA's UPASS Program; and

WHEREAS, It would be detrimental for the Authority to try to establish a new vendor due to the time it would take to implement a new program since the new source of income from the Real Estate Transfer Tax would not be available until the program starts; and

WHEREAS, Marquis ID Systems, the existing provider for the UPASS Program, is able to perform the needed services for this program; 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 bidding would be disadvantageous; now, therefore:

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

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SECTION 1. That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive bidding for this service is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Marquis ID Systems to certify eligibility for the program and to provide production and distribution of CTA smart card photo identification cards and passes for the CTA 'Disabled Veterans Program', for a period of up to 12 months, in the not-to-exceed amount of one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000.00) under Requisition B08OP03690.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

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Chairman

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Assistant Secretary

May 14, 2008

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