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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
FROM: John J. Hsu, PE
Acting Commissioner of Public Works
DATE: June 11, 2010
SUBJECT: Request Authority to Obtain a Proposal and Negotiate a Fee with The RBA Group
In connection with Engineering Services for the Playland Parkway Pathway Extension,
Town of Harrison and City of Rye, New York (#10-927)

Authority of your Honorable Board is requested to obtain a proposal to negotiate a fee in connection with engineering services for the Playland Parkway Pathway Extension, Town of Harrison and City of Rye, New York.

The objective of this project is to make improvements to the Playland Parkway Pathway and to create linkages between the Rye and Harrison Metro- North train stations and Playland Park. The work will include construction of new pathways, sidewalks, ramps and foot bridges. This project will implement the most cost-effective and environmentally compliant technologies available. Wherever possible, proposed new materials will be incorporated in compliance with LEED guidelines for environmental sustainability as per the United States Green Building Council. This agreement will benefit the public as it will enhance the use of this recreational facility by improving public access and by providing a variety of settings for passive and active use.

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) requirements, on February 3, 2010 a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was advertised in the New York State Contract Reporter and The Journal News. Responses to the RFQ were received on March 4, 2010. After careful review of the submitted qualifications, the Professional Selection Board on May 27, 2010 ranked the firm of The RBA Group, 27 Union Square West, 4th Floor, New York, New York 10003 as the number one firm suitable to perform the requested engineering services. A formal proposal will be based on the cost of technical salaries plus a fixed fee with a not-to-exceed ceiling. Authorization to enter into an Agreement will be submitted to your Honorable Board when negotiations are satisfactorily completed. This selection process followed the requirements as outlined in the Rules of the Professional Prequalification and Selection Boards and the Laws of Westchester County.

This matter has been reviewed by the Deputy County Executive, the Commissioner of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation, and the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and they are in concurrence.

I recommend adoption of the attached proposed Resolution.

RESOLUTION

Upon communication from the Acting Commissioner of Public Works, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that with the concurrence of the Professional Selection Board, approval is hereby granted to obtain a proposal and to negotiate a fee with The RBA Group, 27 Union Square West, 4th Floor, New York, New York 10003, for engineering services for the Playland Parkway Pathway Extension, Town of Harrison and City of Rye, New York.

JJH/PTK/MC/AS

Agreement No. 10-927

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	372	42	RPA0103E	6120-03		

Budget Funding Year(s): 2010 Start Date: N/A End Date: N/A
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars: 5% County Contractor Federal I.D. No./
 State Aid: 15% State Social Security No.: 13-2849354
 Federal Aid: 80% FHWA Vendor No.: _____
 Other: _____ Encumbrance No.: _____