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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
FROM: Jay T. Pisco, PE
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation
DATE: June 4, 2014
SUBJECT: Request Authority to Obtain a Proposal and Negotiate a Fee with
VHB Engineering, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC, in connection with
Engineering Services for Perimeter Security Fencing, Phase I – Environmental Assessment,
Westchester County Airport, Towns of Harrison and North Castle and Village of Rye Brook,
New York (#14-924)

Authority of your Honorable Board is requested to obtain a proposal to negotiate a fee in connection with engineering services for Perimeter Security Fencing, Phase I – Environmental Assessment, Westchester County Airport, Towns of Harrison and North Castle and Village of Rye Brook, New York.

The objective of this project will be to provide security enhancements at the Westchester County Airport. This work is necessary in order to maintain a perimeter security fence line as part of the Airport Security Plan in accordance with Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policy guidelines. This project will improve security of the Airport Operations Area and prevent access by unauthorized persons. This project will implement the most cost-effective and environmentally compliant technologies available. This agreement will benefit the public as it ensures continued security of Airport passengers and employees, thereby addressing the County Executive's priority area of Safety and Security.

On May 18, 2012, the Professional Prequalification Board was canvassed for the purpose of generating an eligible list of qualified firms to provide miscellaneous professional services for under \$100,000. The Professional Prequalification Board approved a list of fourteen (14) qualified firms. As the fee is estimated to be less than \$100,000, on April 17, 2014 the Professional Selection Board reviewed this eligible list of qualified firms and selected the best three qualified firms to possibly perform said services. The three firms were:

1. VHB Engineering, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC
Two Penn Plaza, Suite 2602
New York, New York 10121
2. WSP USA Corp.
555 Pleasantville Road
Briarcliff Manor, New York 10510
3. M. G. McLaren, P.C. d/b/a McLaren Engineering Group
100 Snake Hill Road
West Nyack, New York 10994

After careful consideration, the Professional Selection Board ranked the firm of VHB Engineering, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC as the number one firm suitable for this proposal for these professional services. 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.

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Payment for this contract will be made from the Airport Special Revenue Fund, not the County General Fund, and will not impact the County tax levy.

This matter has been reviewed by the Deputy County Executive and the Commissioner of the Department of Planning, and they are in concurrence.

I recommend adoption of the attached proposed Resolution.

RESOLUTION

Upon communication from the Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation, be it:

RESOLVED, that with the concurrence of the Professional Selection Board, approval is hereby granted to obtain a proposal and to negotiate a fee with VHB Engineering, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC, Two Penn Plaza, Suite 2602, New York, New York 10121, for engineering services for Perimeter Security Fencing, Phase I – Environmental Assessment, Westchester County Airport, Towns of Harrison and North Castle and Village of Rye Brook, New York.

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Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Bond Act No.	Dollars
	361	44	A050C03E	6120-03		

Budget Funding Year(s): 2014 Start Date: N/A End Date: N/A
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars: _____ Contractor Federal I.D. No./
 State Aid: _____ Social Security No.: _____
 \$ _____ Federal Aid: _____ Vendor No.: _____
 (must match resolution) Other: 100% Airport Special Revenue Fund Encumbrance No.: _____