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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
FROM: Jay T. Pisco, PE
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation
DATE: February 4, 2014
SUBJECT: Request Authority to Obtain a Proposal and Negotiate a Fee with Peter Gisolfi Associates, Architects and Landscape Architects, LLP, in connection with Architectural and Engineering Services for the Rehabilitation of Bronx River Reservation Storm Damage, Various Locations, Westchester County, New York (#14-908)

Authority of your Honorable Board is requested to obtain a proposal to negotiate a fee in connection with architectural and engineering services for the Rehabilitation of Bronx River Reservation Storm Damage, Various Locations, Westchester County, New York.

The objective of this project involves the repair of the existing Bronx River pathway in various locations along the Bronx River Reservation, from White Plains to Bronxville, associated with damage sustained during Hurricane Irene in August of 2011. The work will include the replacement of a 25-foot long pedestrian bridge and new abutments by the Woodlands Viaduct Bridge, replacement of asphalt pavement, stabilization of the riverbank, rebuilding of drainage channels/swales, and various other repairs to railings and stone retaining walls. The design shall include all archeological review, environmental review, and permitting required for this project. This project will implement the most cost-effective and environmentally compliant technologies available. This agreement will benefit the public as it will restore these recreational facilities to their pre-disaster condition ensuring their safe use and enjoyment by the public.

On October 24, 2013, the Professional Prequalification Board was canvassed for the purpose of generating a list of qualified firms to provide professional services for this project. The Professional Prequalification Board approved a list of five (5) qualified firms to provide professional services for this project. As the fee is estimated to be less than \$100,000, on November 26, 2013 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. Peter Gisolfi Associates, Architects and Landscape Architects, LLP
566 Warburton Avenue
Hastings-on-Hudson, New York 10706
2. Lockwood, Kessler & Bartlett, Inc.
One Aerial Way
Syosset, New York 11791
3. Langan Engineering, Environmental, Surveying and Landscape Architecture, DPC
30 Glenn Street, 4th Floor
White Plains, New York 10603

After careful consideration, the Professional Selection Board ranked the firm of Peter Gisolfi Associates, Architects and Landscape Architects, LLP 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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The County has coordinated this project with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Upon substantial project completion, the County shall request reimbursement of all project costs from FEMA through funding assistance established and previously approved by FEMA.

This matter has been reviewed by the Deputy County Executive and the Commissioner of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation, 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 Peter Gisolfi Associates, Architects and Landscape Architects, LLP, 566 Warburton Avenue, Hastings-on-Hudson, New York 10706, for architectural and engineering services for the Rehabilitation of Bronx River Reservation Storm Damage, Various Locations, Westchester County, New York.

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Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	20	307L	8040-GRNT	T307	

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: 25% State Social Security No.: _____
 \$ _____ Federal Aid: 75% Federal Vendor No.: _____
 (must match resolution) Other: _____ Encumbrance No.: _____