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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Hugh J. Greechan, Jr., P.E.
Commissioner of Public Works and Transportation

DATE: September 25, 2018

SUBJECT: Request Authority to Obtain a Proposal and Negotiate a Fee with RicciGreene Architects, P.C., in connection with Architectural and Engineering Services for Woodfield Cottage Detention Center Renovations and Additions, Valhalla Campus, Valhalla, New York (#18-927)

Authority of your Honorable Board is requested to obtain a proposal and to negotiate a fee in connection with architectural and engineering services for Woodfield Cottage Detention Center Renovations and Additions, Valhalla Campus, Valhalla, New York.

The objective of this project is to provide professional architectural and engineering services associated with renovations and additions at Woodfield Cottage Detention Center. The Department of Probation has advised that under the "Raise the Age" legislation, the age of criminal responsibility in New York State was increased from 16 to 18 years old. All statutory amendments pertaining to 16-year-olds will take effect October 1, 2018, and for 17-year-olds are effective October 1, 2019. The current size and layout of the Woodfield Cottage Detention Center at the Valhalla Campus does not meet the requirements of the new legislation. For the time being, the installation of trailers for housing and modifications to the existing facility for shared programming are being made to accommodate the new population of Adolescent Offenders ("AOs"). However, these are only temporary measures and it is necessary to design and construct a new facility to comply with the requirements of the legislation and increased population as soon as possible.

Failure to undertake this project may result in the new population of AOs being relocated temporarily potentially resulting in additional costs. This agreement will benefit the public as it enables the County to provide continued shared programming for individuals at Woodfield Cottage Detention Center. Time is of the essence in order to achieve compliance with the "Raise the Age" legislation as quickly as possible.

Due to the urgency of this project, the Department of Probation requested that the accelerated consultant procurement procedure be followed to retain a consultant to provide the necessary architectural and engineering services for Woodfield Cottage Detention Center Renovations and Additions. In accordance with the Accelerated Qualification and Selection Procedure as outlined in the Rules of the Professional Prequalification and Selections Boards (Act 144-1996, §3D), on September 18, 2018, a statement outlining the aforementioned reason requiring the accelerated procedure, the qualifications of the proposed firm and the scope of work for Woodfield Cottage Detention Center Renovations and Additions, Valhalla Campus, Valhalla, New York was submitted to the Chairman of the Professional Prequalification Board.

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The Chairman of the Professional Prequalification Board on September 18, 2018, agreed that the accelerated consultant procurement procedure was warranted. Subsequently, these items were reviewed and approved by the Chairman of the Professional Selection Board on September 18, 2018, and the firm was selected to perform said services. The firm is:

RicciGreene Architects, P.C.
158 West 27th Street, 10th Floor
New York, New York 10001

The above-mentioned firm has the expertise on similar projects, technical knowledge, staffing and is the best-qualified firm to accomplish this project in the timeframe allowed.

RicciGreene Architects, P.C. is an architectural firm with significant experience in the rehabilitation and modification of detention centers, prisons and correctional facilities and their related requirements, including those of immediate concern to the County. The firm was previously engaged by the County for architectural and engineering services associated with the Department of Correction Facilities Guidelines Update at the Norwood E. Jackson Correctional Center, which is also located on the Valhalla Campus.

It should be noted that this resolution only seeks authority to obtain a proposal and to negotiate a fee in connection with architectural and engineering services for the aforementioned work in order to both fully inform your Honorable Board of the expected consultant agreement and to demonstrate that the County has undertaken its commitments to fully comply with regulations associated with the "Raise the Age" legislation. Authorization to enter into an agreement will be submitted to your Honorable Board for approval after satisfactory completion of negotiations with the consultant.

I recommend adoption of the attached proposed Resolution.

HJG/JJN/as

RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, that approval is hereby granted to obtain a proposal and to negotiate a fee with RicciGreene Architects, P.C., 158 West 27th Street, 10th Floor, New York, New York 10001, for architectural and engineering services for Woodfield Cottage Detention Center Renovations and Additions, Valhalla Campus, Valhalla, 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
	346	46	B0103-01-E	6120-01	BA #121-2017	

Budget Funding Year(s): 2018 Start Date: N/A End Date: N/A
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars: 100% County Contractor Federal I.D. No./ Social Security No.: _____
 State Aid: _____
 Federal Aid: _____ Vendor No.: _____
 Other: _____ Encumbrance No.: _____
