

69123

DATE: April 9, 2019

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Norma V. Drummond
Commissioner of Planning

RE: Resolution to exempt the procurement of an agreement with Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc. to provide construction management services during the implementation of the project design for approximately 100 acres of grassland at Croton Point Park in connection with the restoration of the degraded grasslands on top of the former Croton Landfill at Croton Point Park in the Town of Cortlandt pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi of the Westchester County Procurement Policy

Authority is here by requested from your Honorable Board to exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi, the procurement of an Agreement with Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc. for construction management services associated with the implementation of the designed improvements at Croton Point Park in the Town of Cortlandt. The term of this agreement is April 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020. The total cost for this agreement is \$34,800, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget.

Ordinarily, Section 5(b) of the Procurement Policy requires the County to solicit written quotations from no fewer than three persons customarily providing such services in order to procure this type of service. However, pursuant to Section 3(a) xxi, the Procurement Policy is not applicable to any procurement for which this Honorable Board determines, by resolution passed prior to commencing such procurement, that compliance with the policy would not be in the best interest of the County. Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc. has the highly specialized expertise needed to provide construction oversight service for this project and has already provided landscape design services. In addition no other company has the specific experience or qualifications needed to provide this service. Given this, it is proposed that the best interests of the County would be served by exempting the procurement of an agreement with Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc.

Accordingly, this resolution to exempt the procurement of Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc., is hereby submitted for your consideration.

A separate resolution of even date requesting authority to enter into an agreement with Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc., for the above-mentioned services is being submitted for your approval.

I recommend approval of this exemption.

NVD/cp/DK/RD
Attachment

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/02/2019 - LISA MRIJAS SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING, BE IT HEREBY

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 3(a)xxi of the Westchester County Procurement Policy and Procedures, it is hereby determined that application of the procedure requirements contained therein, including the necessity of soliciting proposals, is neither cost effective nor expedient, and accordingly, not in the best interest of the County of Westchester in conjunction with the procurement of an agreement with the Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates, Inc. for the provision of construction management services on the implementation of the designed improvements on approximately 100 acres at grassland at Croton Point Park . The term of the agreement is April 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020.

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