

Resolution 2014-15: 182

Withdrawal of Request for Qualifications – Program Manager (Phase 2)

By Chair Richards

WHEREAS, the Rochester School Facilities Modernization Program Act (“the Act”) established the Rochester Joint Schools Construction Board (“RJSCB”), a seven voting member board consisting of equal representation by the City of Rochester (“City”) and the Rochester City School District (“District”), as well as a member jointly selected by the City and the District; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, the RJSCB has certain enumerated powers to act as agent for the District, the City, or both; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorized up to 13 projects in Phase I of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program (“RSMP”) including a District Wide Technology program which involves technology upgrades and infrastructure work at each of the 12 school projects identified in Phase 1; and

WHEREAS, the authorizing legislation for Phase 2 of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program was signed into law by the Governor of the State of New York on December 17, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the amended Act authorized up to 26 projects in Phase 2 of the RSMP including a District Wide Technology program which involves technology upgrades and infrastructure work at several of the possible projects; and

WHEREAS, the legislation authorizing Phase 2 of the RSMP states that “[t]he RJSCB may extend the contracts of the providers of professional services for Phase One upon the adoption of findings that doing so would be in the public interest; the contracts of the Program Manager and the Independent Compliance Officer for Phase Two will be rebid, and provided further that the Program Manager and the Independent Compliance Officer and any new or different providers of professional services shall be engaged in compliance with the provisions of Section Eight of this Act”; and

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting held on February 9, 2015, the RJSCB authorized the issuance of a request for qualifications (“RFQ”) for Program Management services related to Phase 2 of the RSMP (Resolution 2014-2015: 180); and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director then posted the RFQ online, placed an advertisement in several local print publications, and sent the RFQ to certain local and national program management and construction management firms; and

WHEREAS, the City recently asked the RJSCB to withdraw the RFQ so that the City could consult with the RJSCB on the RFQ process; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB has called a special meeting for February 19, 2015 to review and discuss the City’s request; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The RJSCB hereby withdraws the RFQ for Program Management services related to Phase 2 of the RSMP; and
2. The RJSCB hereby authorizes and directs the Executive Director to take all necessary steps to withdraw the RFQ, including but not limited to removing online postings and notifying any firms previously contacted.

Second by Member of the Board Benincasa

Approved 5-0 with Members Coronas and Thomas away