

Resolution 2015-16: 102
Architect Selection - Phase 2a Projects

By Board Member Brown

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 authorizing legislation for Phase 2 of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program (“RSMP”) 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 RJSCB issued a request for proposals (the “RFP”) for architectural services, renovation and addition projects for Phase 2a Schools (Resolution 2015-16: 82); and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB’s Executive Director received a total of nine proposals as of the date and time specified in the RFP, and promptly distributed those proposals to the RJSCB members and representatives from the District’s facilities group; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation committee, including members from the RJSCB, the City, the District’s facilities group, the Executive Director, and the Program Manager, selected four finalists following an extensive review of the RFP proposals, and these four firms were then interviewed; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation by the RJSCB and on the advice of the City and District representatives, the following firms were identified as being highly qualified and fiscally responsive to the RJSCB’s RFP for the specific projects set forth below;

Virgil S. Grissom School No. 7	SEI Design Group
John Walton Spencer School No. 16	SWBR Architects

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The RJSCB hereby approves the named firms to provide architectural services as indicated above for the two schools in Phase 2a of the RSMP; and
2. The Chair is hereby authorized, in the name and on behalf of the RJSCB, to execute and deliver individual agreements (the “Agreement”) with each firm named above in substantially the form previously approved by the RJSCB as an attachment to the RFP, with such changes as the Chair may approve (his signature thereon being conclusive evidence of such approval) on the advice of the Program Manager and the RJSCB’s general counsel.

Second by Member Benincasa
Approved 4-0 with Members A. Williams and W. Williams away