

Resolution 2015-16: 149

Phase 2 PLA Study

By Board Member Brown

WHEREAS, the Rochester School Facilities Modernization Program Act (“School Modernization 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 School Modernization 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 District Wide Technology improvements which involve technology upgrades and infrastructure work at several of the possible projects; and

WHEREAS, the School Modernization Act allows the RJSCB to “revise and extend the requirements of the Project Labor Agreement entered into for Phase 1 Projects to the Projects authorized in Phase 2, contingent upon the completion of a supplemental Project Labor Agreement Benefit Analysis”; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB’s Program Manager for Phase 2, Savin Engineers P.C. (“Program Manager”), working with the District, has developed a list of proposed Phase 2 projects known as the Phase 2 Draft Comprehensive Master Plan dated March 2016 (the “Proposed Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education approved the Proposed Plan at its monthly meeting on March 24, 2016 (BOE Resolution 2015-16: 630); and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB hired Seeler Engineering, P.C. to perform a PLA Study for Phase 2 (Resolution 2015-2016: 83) to evaluate potential costs/benefits of utilizing a PLA for Phase 2 of the RSMP, the results of which will be the basis for the final decision of whether or not to commence negotiations with the Rochester Building and Construction Trades Council for a PLA; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB, the Board’s general counsel, and the Program Manager reviewed and discussed the PLA Study for Phase 2 of the RSMP provided by Seeler Engineering, P.C. at a Special Meeting on April 25, 2016, a copy of which is attached hereto, and after due deliberation, it accepted the PLA Study;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The RJSCB hereby accepts the Phase 2 PLA Study prepared by Seeler Engineering, P.C., including the findings and recommendations therein; and
2. The RJSCB hereby directs the Program Manager, with the assistance of Seeler Engineering, P.C. and the Board’s General Counsel, to negotiate the terms of a PLA with the Rochester Building and Construction Trades Council acting on behalf of the thirteen craft unions likely to participate in the RSMP project.

Second by Board Member W. Williams

Approved 6-0-1 with Member Cruz abstaining