

Resolution 2015-16: 41
Forensic Audit Report

By Board Member Coronas

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 requires the Board to engage an Independent Compliance Officer (“ICO”) to report directly to the Board; and

WHEREAS, in November of 2013, the RJSCB issued a request for proposals (an “RFP”) regarding ICO services for the remainder of Phase 1 of the RSMP entitled “Independent Compliance Officer Services” (Resolution 2013-2014: 103); and

WHEREAS, in January 2014, the RJSCB awarded the remainder of Phase 1 Independent Compliance Officer Services contract to the firm Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP (“Baker Tilly”) (Resolution 2013-14: 162) and entered into an agreement with Baker Tilly dated January 13, 2014 (“Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, in June 2014, the RJSCB added certain additional scopes of services to the Agreement with Baker Tilly including a review and preparation of a report on the recordkeeping and maintenance of project records for MWBE compliance matters in Phase 1 of the RSMP (Resolution 2013-14: 313); and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB formed a special committee to monitor the additional services, communicate with Baker Tilly about its report, manage the Board’s communications, and make recommendations to the full Board (Resolution 2014-15: 121); and

WHEREAS, Baker Tilly has now completed the report (the “Forensic Report”), and the RJSCB special committee and the RJSCB’s General Counsel have reviewed and considered the report; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB’s special committee has recommended to the RJSCB that it accept the Forensic Report from Baker Tilly; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB discussed the special committee’s recommendation and considered the Forensic Report, at its regular Board meeting on September 14, 2015;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The RJSCB hereby accepts the Forensic Report prepared by Baker Tilly.
2. The Forensic Report will be released publicly following Baker Tilly’s briefing of the Rochester City Council and the Rochester City School District Board of Education concerning the Report.

Second by Board Member B. Brown
Approved 7-0