

# OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

## **Resolution Selecting Northwest Consultants, Inc. to Perform the Engineering and Construction Administration and Inspection Services Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute an Agreement to Obtain Design Services for a Fee Not-To-Exceed \$193,231.00** **(Project No. 71-18-07)**

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2018, the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission (“Commission”) published notice of its Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for Project No. 71-18-07 seeking Engineering and Construction Administration and Inspection Services relating to the Rehabilitation of Three Bridges at Dischinger Road (County Road 70) Bridge over the Ohio Turnpike at Milepost 81.5, Ohio Turnpike Ramp Bridge over the Ohio Turnpike at Milepost 91.6 and Ohio Turnpike Ramp Bridge over State Route 53 at Milepost 92.0 (“Project No. 71-18-07”); and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2018, Letters of Interest were received from twelve firms expressing their readiness to serve as the Commission’s Engineering Consultant for Project No. 71-18-07, four of which were deemed most qualified and invited to submit proposals in response to the RFP, which were due on May 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the proposals received, the Engineering staff concluded that Northwest Consultants, Inc., of Toledo, Ohio (“Northwest Consultants”), is the most qualified firm to perform the necessary services for Project No. 71-18-07, and conducted a Scope of Services meeting to confirm a mutual understanding of the Phase I Services for the Project consisting of Site Inspection, Engineering Report, Design and Plan Preparation Services (“Phase I Services”) when the parties determined that the scope of services are most beneficially applied to Fangboner Road Bridge at Milepost 81.5 over the Ohio Turnpike at Milepost 91.1 rather than Dischinger Road (County Road 70); and

WHEREAS, Northwest Consultants submitted its fee proposal dated August 3, 2018, to perform the Phase I Services in the not-to-exceed amount of \$193,231.00 which fee proposal the Chief Engineer deemed reasonable and appropriate, and recommends that the Commission approve the award of the Contract based on its technical proposal for Project No. 71-18-07 and fee proposal for Phase I Services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Contracts Administration advises that the RFP process and the selection of Northwest Consultants conformed with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71, that all legal requirements were performed and that the proposals were solicited on the basis of the same terms and conditions with respect to all respondents and potential respondents, and that the recommended firm made a good faith effort to achieve the Business Inclusion Program participation goals; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has also reviewed the recommendation submitted by the Chief Engineer and the Director of Contracts Administration, and concurs that the Commission should approve the selection of Northwest Consultants to perform Phase I Services for Project No. 71-18-07; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the selection of Northwest Consultants, Inc., of Toledo, Ohio, is approved as the most qualified firm to perform the professional engineering design and construction administration and inspection services necessary for Project No. 71-18-07, and that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a Contract with Northwest Consultants, Inc., on the basis of the Commission’s Request for Proposals and Northwest Consultant’s technical response and fee proposal for Phase I Services in the not-to-exceed amount of \$193,231.00; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director has the authority under Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Code of Bylaws to further amend the contract to perform additional Phase 1 and Phase 2 services necessary for Project 71-17-05 that does not exceed the greater of the Executive Director’s contracting authority or ten percent of the approved contract amount, and authorize such extra work or change orders under said contract as a result of an increase in necessary quantities, newly mandated requirements that did not exist at the time of original contract awards, or circumstances that would create a life, safety, or health threatening situation or would unduly delay the completion of the project or increase its costs.

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