## **CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

## RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD RFQ 2025-005 FOR ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTING SERVICES AND NEGOTIATE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ("AGREEMENT") WITH AGREEMENT **BERMELLO** AJAMIL & PARTNERS, INC., R.J. HEISENBOTTLE ARCHITECTS, P.A., GURRI MATUTE, P.A., M.C. HARRY INC., FERGUSON, AND ASSOCIATES, **GLASGOW.** INC., SCHUSTER, SOTO, AND ALLEGUEZ ARCHITECTURE, INC., THE SIX (6) HIGHEST RANKED **RESPONSIVE-RESPONSIBLE PROPOSERS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-763 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED** "CONTRACT AWARD" AND FLORIDA STATUTE 287.055, KNOWN AS THE "CONSULTANTS COMPETITIVE **NEGOTIATION ACT".** 

**WHEREAS, on** April 3, 2025, the Procurement Division of Finance formally advertised, issued, and distributed Architectural Consulting Services, Request for Qualification (RFQ) 2025-005 with the intent to qualify a pool of up to six (6) firms. One hundred and seventy-one (171) prospective proposers were notified by INFOR, the City's web-based e-Procurement service; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2025, twelve (12) firms responded, including two (2) "no bid" proposals, in response to the RFQ: Alleguez Architecture, Inc., Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc., Burton Hersh Architects, P.A., Conconcreto Designs, LLC., (no bid), CPH Consulting, LLC., DIRTT Environmental Solutions, Inc., (no bid), Ferguson, Glasgow Schuster Soto, Inc., Gurri Matute P.A., M.C. Harry & Associates, Inc., R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc., R.J. Heisenbottle Architects P.A., and W.J. Architects; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2025, the Evaluation Committee convened to evaluate the ten (10) responsive and responsible proposals and ranked the firms in the following order: Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc., (top ranked), R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A. (second ranked), Gurri Matute, P.A., (third ranked), M.C. Harry and Associates, Inc., (fourth ranked), Ferguson, Glasgow, Schuster, Soto, Inc., (fifth ranked), and Alleguez Architecture, Inc., (sixth ranked). The Evaluation Committee recommended that the City negotiate with the top six (6) responsive-responsible proposers to provide the requested services; and

**WHEREAS,** the Evaluation Committee further recommended that should negotiations fail with any of the top six (6) ranked firms negotiations could be conducted with the next two ranked firms: W.J. Architects (7<sup>th</sup>) and R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc (8<sup>th</sup>); and

**WHEREAS,** the Chief Procurement Officer recommends accepting the Evaluation Committee's recommendation to award and negotiate Agreements with the top six (6) responsiveresponsible proposers to provide the requested services for an initial three (3) year term with two (2) one-year renewals.; and **WHEREAS,** Section 2-585 of the Procurement Code authorizes the City Manager to delegate authority to the Chief Procurement Officer to administer and make recommendations on City contracts.

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

**Section 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**Section 2.** That the City Commission accepts the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award RFQ 2025-005 Architectural Consulting Services and negotiate Professional Services Agreement ("Agreement") with Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc., R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A., Gurri Matute, P.A., M.C. Harry and Associates, Inc., Ferguson, Glasgow, Schuster, Soto, Inc., and Alleguez Architecture, Inc., pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act" (CCNA); should negotiations fail with any of the top six (6) ranked firms, negotiations could be conducted with the next highest ranked responsive-responsible proposer until an agreement acceptable to the City has been reached.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS FIRST DAY OF JULY 2025

(Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, Seconded by \_\_\_\_) (Passed 0/0 vote)

> VINCE LAGO MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRISTINA M. SUÁREZ CITY ATTORNEY