

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item H-3
January 12, 2016
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

City Commission

**Mayor Jim Cason
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick**

City Staff

**City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
City Attorney, Craig E. Leen
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Chief Procurement Officer, Michael Pounds**

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item H-3 [2:35:21 p.m.]

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to authorize negotiations with Ferguson Glasgow Schuster Soto, Inc., Gurri Matute, P.A., MC Harry Associates, RJ Heisenbottle Architects, and AECOM Technical Services, Inc., of contracting contracts for Architectural Consultant services, pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the “Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act” and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2015.09.17.

Mayor Cason: And then we’ll go on to H-3. Procurement.

Chief Procurement Officer Pounds: This is for architectural and engineering design services. These are continuing contracts, and we select -- we typically contract with several firms for these services over a contract period of four to five years. Under these continuing contracts, architectural consultants will not work on construction projects exceeding \$2,000,000 or any study that exceeds \$200,000, under the Consultants Competitive Negotiations Act. On September 17, the Procurement Division issued this RFQ. On September 23, we had a pre-qualification conference and we had eleven firms in attendance out of the twenty firms who picked up the RFQ documents from Procurement. On October 19, we had ten qualifications statements submitted to the City. On November 17, the Evaluation Committee met to evaluate the qualifications statements and resulted in six firms being shortlisted. Those firms were AECOM Technical Services, Ferguson Glasgow Schuster Soto, Gurri Matute, MC Harry & Associates, RJ Heisenbottle Architects, and BEA Architects, Inc. The shortlisted group was brought in for interviews and -- presentations and interviews. After the presentations and interviews, the Evaluation Committee developed a recommended final list, which was in order of preference: Ferguson Glasgow Schuster Soto, Gurri Matute, MC Harry & Associates, RJ Heisenbottle Architects, and AECOM Technical Services, Inc. We have submitted this resolution for you all to authorize Procurement to engage in negotiations with these firms. Once these contracts are completed, they will be submitted for -- at a later date for your approval.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: No, we're -- excuse me, Mr. Mayor. We're asking for your approval of these firms, and then separately, we're also going to go out and issue another process for historic preservation architects because we have so much on our facilities work in historic properties that we want to make sure that in addition to Rich Heisenbottle, who's one of the architects here, that we have other architects available that have a specific expertise in historic preservation, and we're working with the Historic Preservation office to ensure that.

Mayor Cason: Motion?

Commissioner Keon: I'll make the motion to approve.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Keon makes the motion to approve. Second?

Commissioner Slesnick: Second.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Slesnick seconds. City Clerk.

Commissioner Slesnick: Yes

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Commissioner Lago: Yes

Mayor Cason: Yes

(Vote: 4-0)

[End: 2:28:15 p.m.]