## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-280**

RESOLUTION CITY OF THE **COMMISSION** Α ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD RFQ 2024-008 FOR ASSESSMENT AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE CITY HALL RESTORATION AND RENOVATION AND NEGOTIATE PROFESSIONAL **AGREEMENT** ("AGREEMENT") WITH R.J. HEISENBOTTLE ARCHTECTS, P.A., THE HIGHEST RESPONSIVE-RESPONSIBLE PROPOSER. 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 July 19, 2024, the Procurement Division of Finance formally advertised, issued, and distributed Assessment and Design Services for the City Hall Restoration and Renovation, Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2024-008. One hundred twelve (112) prospective proposers were notified of the RFQ package from INFOR, the City's webbased e-procurement system; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2024, five (5) firms responded in response to the RFQ: Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners, LLP, Gurri Matute, R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc., R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A., and Thorton Tomasetti, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, during the review, it was determined by Procurement, after consulting with the City Attorney's Office, that Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners, LLP, R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc., and Thorton Tomasetti, Inc. would be deemed non-responsive; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 6, 2024, the Evaluation Committee convened to evaluate the two (2) responsive and responsible proposals and ranked the firms in the following order of preference: R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A. (first ranked), and Gurri Matute (second ranked). The Evaluation Committee determined that R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A., was the highest ranked responsive-responsible proposer to provide the requested services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Procurement Officer recommends accepting the Evaluation Committee's recommendation to award and negotiate an agreement with R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A. for RFQ 2024-008 Assessment and Design Services for the City Hall Restoration and Renovation; 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 Commission accepts the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award RFQ 2024-008 Assessment and Design Services for the City Hall Restoration and Renovation and negotiate a Professional Services Agreement ("Agreement") with R.J. Heisenbottle Architects, P.A., the highest ranked responsiveresponsible proposer, pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act" (CCNA); should negotiations fail with the highest ranked responsive-responsible proposer, negotiations shall commence with the next highest ranked most 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 passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D., 2024.

(Moved: Anderson / Seconded: Fernandez)

(Yeas: Fernandez, Menendez, Anderson, Castro, Lago)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: H-1)

APPROVED:

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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CRISTINA M. SUAREZ BILLY Y. URQUIA CITY CLERK

**CITY ATTORNEY**