

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION 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 A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (“AGREEMENT”) WITH R.J. HEISENBOTTLE ARCHITECTS, P.A., THE HIGHEST RANKED 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 web-based 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 responsive-responsible 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 adoption herein.
PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D., 2024

(Moved by _____, Seconded by _____)
(Passed 0/0 vote)

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRISTINA M. SUAREZ
CITY ATTORNEY