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Re: Board of Awards, Wednesday, April 20, 2022

Attending: D. St. Hilaire, Finance Director
R. Edwards, Assistant Corporation Counsel
A. Iadarola, Public Works Director/City Engineer
D. Day, Superintendent of Public Utilities
T. Hughes, Superintendent of Construction Services
D. Petrovich, Engineer, Engineering Dept.
T. Nolan, superintendent of Public Services
N. Kaplanis, Recreation Director
D. Natale, Assistant Purchasing Agent
C. Volpe, Purchasing Agent

The Board of Awards convened at 10:01 A.M. in the Purchasing Dept. Conference Room (virtual meeting – attendees via Zoom conference call) to consider the following:

Bid #11-21-22-01 "Orchard Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Water Main Replacement & Storm Drainage Extension" Mr. Volpe reported that two bids were received, and that the apparent low bidder was True Blue Environmental, Inc. at a summation of \$1,218,454.50. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that Mr. Brian Messner, PE from Wright-Pierce, the project engineer reviewed the bids. Mr. Volpe stated that Mr. Messner sent a letter, dated April 12, 2022, in which he indicated that he did not find any reason not to award this bid to True Blue Environmental as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Mr. Day moved to award the bid to True Blue Environmental, Inc. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

Bid #03-21-22-02 "RFQ & Proposals – Construction Manager as Constructor for the Danbury Career Academy" Mr. Volpe reported that the Board of Awards had previously qualified three vendors to submit cost proposals for this project. Mr. Volpe noted that the three qualified vendors were Rizzo Corporation, O&G Industries and KBE Building Corporation. Mr. Volpe stated that all three vendors submitted the requested cost proposals, and that O&G Industries was the apparent low bidder at a summation of \$4,279,425.00. Mr. Volpe stated that the selection committee, that was approved by Mayor Esposito, included Mr. Iadarola, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Petrovich and Mr. Richard Jalbert, Danbury Public Schools Sites & Facilities Coordinator. Mr. Volpe stated that Mr. Iadarola submitted a memo, dated April 18, 2022, in which he indicated that the selection committee reviewed the cost proposals, interviewed the three firms and determined that Rizzo Corporation, the second low bidder at a summation of \$4,772,226.00, was the most

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responsible and qualified proposer. Mr. Iadarola, based selection committee's determination, moved to award the bid to Rizzo Corporation the Construction Manager services totaling \$4,772,226.00 based on a projected project cost of \$84,000,000.00, for a total award amount of \$88,772,226.00, with separate authorization to proceed based on the availability of funds and the signing of a mutually agreeable contract using AIA-134-2019. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion. Mr. St. Hilaire asked if Mr. Iadarola could expand on the reason or reasons that O&G Industries, the low bidder, was not selected. Mr. Iadarola stated that the selection committee had concerns with the staffing proposed by O&G. Mr. Iadarola noted that staff proposed by O&G for this project were presently committed to other projects. Mr. Iadarola also stated that Rizzo Corp. had agreed to work any and all overtime hours as needed to complete this project at no additional cost, whereas O&G could not make that same commitment. Attorney Edwards inquired as to the contingencies that will need to be considered to execute the AIA contract. Mr. Iadarola stated that the contract would be contingent upon a positive outcome with the bond referendum, the purchase of the building, and a number of construction related considerations. Attorney Edwards inquired as to the work that the selected vendor would perform pre-referendum. Mr. Iadarola stated that the selected vendor would be performing work relative to the preparation of construction bids for if and when the referendum is passed. Mr. St. Hilaire inquired as to the City's cost obligation for the pre-referendum work. Mr. Iadarola stated that Rizzo Corp. bid the amount of \$1.00 for the pre-referendum work. Mr. Volpe noted that the recommended award was consistent with the criteria set forth in Section 10-287 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The motion was then carried unanimously.

"Automotive and Equipment Oils, Hydraulic Fluids & Greases – Equipment Maintenance Dept." Mr. Volpe reported a purchase order was previously issued to LF Powers Co., Inc. to purchase the subject items on an as need basis, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. Mr. Volpe informed the Board that the initial purchase order was issued to LF Powers based upon their current State of CT contract award. Mr. Volpe reported that the Equipment Maintenance Dept. had submitted a request to amend the existing purchase order by an additional \$3,000.00. Mr. Volpe stated that Board of Awards approval would now be required because the amount of the amended purchase order would exceed \$15,000.00, which is the limit of his authority. Mr. Nolan moved to allow for the amendment as requested. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

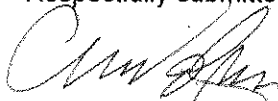
Bid #03-21-22-04 "Lease/Operation of Beach Concession Stand at Danbury Candlewood Park – Rebid" Mr. Volpe reported that this bid was for monies to be paid to the City of Danbury for a five-year lease to operate the concession stand at Candlewood Park during the summer months, from May 1st through September 30th through the years 2022 through 2026. Mr. Volpe stated that this was a rebid because no bids were received for the first solicitation. Mr. Volpe reported that the Pink Elephant, LLC submitted the only bid, offering a price of \$900.00 per year. Mr. Kaplanis moved to award the bid to the Pink Elephant, contingent upon execution of the required lease agreement. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously.

"CSG Forte Payment Processing Solution – Recreation Dept." Mr. Volpe reported that Mr. Kaplanis submitted an agreement from CSG Forte for a payment processing solution that would interface with the Rec 1 software system being used to collect user fees. Mr. Kaplanis moved to award the payment processing solution to CSG Forte, contingent upon execution of the required agreement. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion. Mr. Volpe stated that Mr. Kaplanis had advised him that the previous provider of this service, iCloud, terminated their arrangement with Rec 1. Mr. Volpe noted that Mr. Kaplanis advised him that Rec 1 directed him to CSG Forte as a service provider. Mr. Volpe stated that he consulted with Mr. Frank Gentile, Manager of Information Technology on the change in service provider, and that he approved of CSG Forte. Mr. Kaplanis noted that time is of the

essence, as this service is needed for seasonal activities that are just beginning. The motion was then carried unanimously.

Having no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Volpe asked for a motion to adjourn. Attorney Edwards made a motion to adjourn. Mr. St. Hilaire seconded the motion, which was then carried unanimously. The Board of Awards adjourned at 10:18 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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Purchasing Agent

cc: All Attendees
Mayor Esposito
J. Giegler
A. Iadarola
S. Kaminski
N. Wagner