

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

August 30, 2022

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Michael W. Wymer, Senior Production Engineer

Subject: William Street Pump Station Drainage Improvements

Request for Proposals for Engineering Services

Project No. 202200080

The Erie County Water Authority (ECWA) recently issued a Request for Proposals for consulting engineering services for the investigation, design, and construction of improvements at the William Street Pump Station.

An USEPA inspection in September 2021 identified drainage and infiltration issues at the William Street Pump Station, requiring the Authority to complete study, design, and construction services for improvements to address the issues. The work included as part of this project includes the following:

- Investigation of the site including existing drainage conditions (including sumps and pumping systems) both inside and outside of the pump station and review of past drainage improvement projects.
- Evaluation of alternatives for the collection, pumping and transfer of stormwater/groundwater from the pump station.
- Identification and completion of applicable permits and meetings with applicable municipal and regulatory agencies.
- Design and construction services for the selected proposed approach.

A Request for Proposals was prepared and sent to five consulting engineers: Barton and Loguidice, DiDonato Associates, LaBella Associates, JM Davidson Engineering, DPC, and Watts Architecture and Engineering. In addition, the RFP was also posted to the ECWA website which resulted in interest from two additional firms (DuBois & King Inc. and Hunt Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects, DPC (Hunt EAS)).

Four firms, DiDonato Associates, DuBois & King Inc., Hunt EAS, and LaBella Associates chose to submit a proposal for this project.

The proposals were reviewed and discussed among the engineering department staff. Experience, staffing, scope, and project approach were considered. It was determined that all firms possessed relevant qualifications to perform the proposed work.

Hunt EAS provided an experienced project team with a demonstrated understanding of pumping systems, forcemains, and site drainage. The proposed Program Manager has worked with the

Authority on recent projects and has experience relevant to this project. Hunt EAS's fee is competitive and within the budget established for the project.

The Engineering Department will move forward with negotiations with Hunt Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects, DPC to develop a Professional Services Contract for the referenced project.

Funds are available for the project in the 2022 Capital Budget as follows:

- Unit: 2520 Engineering/Construction Control
- Item 101680 William PS Drainage Improvements (\$70,000 remains)

As this project will continue to through 2023, additional funds are proposed in the same unit in the 2023 Capital Budget.

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