ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY



INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

January 31, 2022

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Michael J. Quinn, Senior Distribution Engineer

Subject: Water System Improvements

Town of Amherst Distribution System 2022-2024

Request for Proposals Project No. 202200005

The Erie County Water Authority (Authority) recently issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for engineering services for design and construction phase services to replace several distribution mains in the Town of Amherst. The work will be performed under one contract.

The RFP was issued to eleven consulting engineering firms and the RFP was also posted to the Authority website. Six of the original firms responded (DuBois & King, Inc., Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., JM Davidson, Wendel, and Wm. Schutt & Associates did not submit proposals). Additionally, Michael Baker International submitted their proposal based on Authority's website. Those submitting proposals are listed in alphabetical order below:

- Barton & Loguidice, PC
- CHA Consulting, Inc.
- DiDonato Associates
- Erdman Anthony
- LaBella Associates, DPC
- Michael Baker International
- Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc.

The proposals were reviewed and discussed among the engineering staff. Experience, staffing, scope, and project approach were considered. It was determined that while each firm possessed relevant qualifications to perform the work proposed, based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, it was the committee's opinion that Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. was the best firm for this project due to a combination of experience and qualifications. In addition, the firm's fee is in line with the other firms and appears reasonable when compared to the design fees for other 2022 distribution system design projects.

In order to expedite this project, the Engineering Department will be requesting approval of the Services Agreements with Nussbaumer and Clarke, Inc. (Contract NC-044) also at the February 10th meeting.

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