

**MERCHANTVILLE PENNSAUKEN WATER COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION FOR AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACTS**

**WHEREAS** there exists a need for the MPWC to procure the certain services from professionals deemed qualified from announced and publicly advertised criteria and the service of licensed professional services is authorized to be engaged without bidding under the Local Public Contract Law because such services are to be respectively performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession which is regulated by law and it is not prudent to simply award to lowest bidder; and

**WHEREAS** there also exists a need to procure advertised services from qualified individuals /firms to contract for Insurance consultant services and insurance broker services, NJSA 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and (5)(l)(m) as well as receive bids from Commission IT consultants and cyber security experts; and

**WHEREAS** the Chief Operating Officer assisted by his respectively and appropriately assigned Commission staff have recommended the below listed as meeting qualifications and or for award; and

**WHEREAS** the need for such services were publicly bid and advertised with criteria and qualifications made public in advance and an Open and public return date with all applications opened publicly; and the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1, *et. seq.* authorizes qualification of such professionals and such positions/vendors and pursuant to the State's Local Unit Pay-to-Play, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq.*, and establishes a bidding process and a "fair and open" process compliant with the rules and restrictions set forth therein which requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for such respective services after established criteria and publicly advertised, and publicly receiving responsive proposals/bids, and the Commission having done so; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Commission finds that it has proceeded in accordance with the procedures required under New Jersey law for such and for appointment under the Fair and Open Process which it hereby deems this to have been and having proceeded in accordance with the procurement and bidding laws; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** in duly advertised this Public Meeting as follows:

Section 1:The President and Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the necessary contracts to engage the following professionals who were each the sole respondents to the publicly advertised bids/RFP' s or responded for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services for the Commission year subject to reaching acceptable terms and conditions in contract language for one-year contracts with the following professionals for E:

(a) Accountants  
Services/Consultants

Your Part Time Controller, Philadelphia, PA

(b) Auditor:

Bowman & Company, LLC, Voorhees, NJ 08043


And the Commission authorizes and awards Two-year contracts with each of the following sole responders in accordance with their bids/proposals for their respectively submitted contracts as either EUS proposals and/or compliant bid responses;

(c) Employee Benefits Broker of Record: Conner Strong & Buckelew, Marlton, NJ

(d) Insurance BROKER of Record: Conner Strong & Buckelew, Marlton, NJ

Section 2: The MPWC hereby finds that the process used to solicit proposals resulting in above determinations comply with Open & Fair procedures and with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJ ELEC law and regulations, and is hereby qualified and thereby authorized to contract to perform professional services, respectively, pursuant to criteria previously established and advertised and to negotiate and enter contracts with these professionals as deemed necessary and on a project basis.

The undersigned hereby attest to the above as having been duly adopted by unanimous approval of all Commissioners present on July 13, 2023.

  
JOSEPH C. SCAVUZZO, Commissioner &  
PRESIDENT Secretary to the Commission

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