

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATIONS RELATING TO REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS NO. 2024-044-ND, FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY IMPROVEMENTS ALONG 17<sup>TH</sup> STREET FROM WASHINGTON AVE. TO ALTON ROAD; AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH CES CONSULTANTS, INC., AS THE TOP-RANKED PROPOSER; FURTHER, IF THE ADMINISTRATION IS NOT SUCCESSFUL IN NEGOTIATING AN AGREEMENT WITH CES CONSULTANTS, INC., AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHA CONSULTING, INC., AND STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES INC., AS THE TIED SECOND-RANKED PROPOSERS; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT UPON CONCLUSION OF SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS BY THE ADMINISTRATION.

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2024, the Mayor and City Commission approved the issuance of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 2024-044-ND for Engineering Design Services for Right-of-Way Improvements along 17<sup>th</sup> Street from Washington Ave. to Alton Road; and

**WHEREAS**, Request for Qualifications No. 2024-044-ND (the "RFQ") was released on February 2, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, a voluntary pre-proposal meeting was held on February 15, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 26, 2024, the City received six (6) proposals from CES Consultants, Inc., CHA Consulting, Inc., Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc., R.J. Behar & Company, Inc., Stantec Consulting Services Inc., and WSP USA Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2024, the City Manager, via Letter to Commission No. 109-2024, appointed an Evaluation Committee consisting of the following individuals: Juanita Ballesteros, Sustainability and Resilience Manager, Environment and Sustainability Department; Ghassan Choueiry, Senior Transportation Engineer, Transportation Department; Maria Cerna, Assistant Director, Office of Capital Improvement Projects; and Giancarlo Pena, Assistant City Engineer, Public Works Engineering Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Evaluation Committee convened on April 29, 2024, to review and score the proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Evaluation Committee received an overview of the project, information relative to the City's Cone of Silence Ordinance and the Government Sunshine Law, general information on the scope of services, and a copy of each proposal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Evaluation Committee was instructed to score and rank each proposal pursuant to the evaluation criteria established in the RFQ; and

**WHEREAS**, the Evaluation Committee process resulted in the ranking of proposers as follows: CES Consultants, Inc., as the top-ranked proposer; CHA Consulting, Inc. and Stantec Consulting Services Inc., as the tied second-ranked proposers; WSP USA Inc., as the fourth-ranked proposer; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.; as the fifth-ranked proposer; and R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.; as the sixth-ranked proposer; and

**WHEREAS**, after reviewing all of the submissions and the Evaluation Committee's rankings and analysis, the City Manager concurs with the Evaluation Committee and recommends that the Mayor and City Commission authorize the Administration to enter into negotiations with CES Consultants, Inc., as the top-ranked proposer; further, if the Administration is not successful in negotiating an agreement with CES Consultants, Inc., authorize the Administration to enter into negotiations with CHA Consulting, Inc., and Stantec Consulting Services Inc., as the tied second-ranked proposers; and further authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute an agreement upon conclusion of successful negotiations by the Administration.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the City Manager, pursuant to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 2024-004-ND for Engineering Design Services for Right-of-Way Improvements along 17<sup>th</sup> Street from Washington Ave. to Alton Road; authorize the Administration to enter into negotiations with CES Consultants, Inc., as the top-ranked proposer; further, if the Administration is not successful in negotiating an agreement with CES Consultants, Inc., authorize the Administration to enter into negotiations with CHA Consulting, Inc., and Stantec Consulting Services Inc., as the tied second-ranked proposers; and further authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute an agreement upon conclusion of successful negotiations by the Administration.

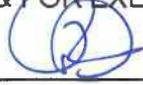
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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Steven Meiner, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
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City Attorney *SM* Date 6/13/2024