

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Awarding a Contract for Engineering Design and
Construction Administration and Inspection Services
to ms consultants, inc. (Project No. 71-07-07)**

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2007, the Commission published notice of its Request for Proposals ("RFP") for Project No. 71-07-07 seeking Engineering Design and Construction Administration and Inspection Services for the Construction of Interchange and Canopy Signage at Thirty-one (31) Interchanges as it relates to the implementation of the Commission's new Toll Collection System; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2007, Letters of Interest were received from three (3) firms expressing their interest in serving as the Commission's Engineering Design Consultant on this Project, of which all were deemed qualified and invited to submit proposals in response to the RFP, with responses due on July 16, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's Engineering staff reviewed the proposals submitted and concluded, on the basis of the proposals, that **ms consultants, inc.**, of **Youngstown, Ohio** is most qualified to perform the above-mentioned services; and

WHEREAS, ms consultants, inc. has submitted a fee proposal for Phase I Preliminary Design Plan Preparation services to the Chief Engineer, who has reviewed said proposal and is recommending that a Contract be awarded to ms consultants, inc., for Phase I services in the not-to-exceed amount of **\$148,936.00**; and

WHEREAS, in the event any unforeseen costs should arise for Phase I Preliminary Design Plan Services, the expenditures by the Commission under the Contract to be awarded to ms consultants, inc. may exceed \$150,000.00 and, therefore, in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission's Code of Bylaws, the Commission is being requested to authorize the Executive Director to enter into the Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been advised by its Director of Contracts Administration that said RFP selection process and the selection of ms consultants, inc. conformed with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has also reviewed the recommendations submitted by the Chief Engineer and the Director of Contracts Administration and concurs that the Contract for Engineering Design and Construction Administration and Inspection Services relative to Interchange and Canopy Signage at Thirty-one (31) Interchanges should be awarded by the Commission to ms consultants, inc.; and

WHEREAS, at the time Phase I Final Design Plan Services are to be performed, the Commission will be requested to approve the additional fees negotiated with ms consultants, inc.; and

WHEREAS, at the time the construction contract for Turnpike signage is awarded, the Commission will also be requested to authorize ms consultants, inc. to perform Phase II construction administration and inspection services for said construction project; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission concurs that **ms consultants, inc.** of **Youngstown, Ohio** is most qualified to perform the services required under the above-mentioned RFP, and authorizes the Executive Director and the Director of Contracts Administration to enter into the Engineering Design and Construction Administration and Inspection Services Contract with ms consultants, inc., all in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Commission's RFP and the responses thereto.

(Resolution No. 41 - 2007 adopted September 17, 2007)