

# **OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**

## **Resolution Approving the Selection of ms consultants, inc. for Bridge Construction Administration and Inspection Services Under Project No. 43-24-10 in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$1,346,455.20**

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2024, the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission (“Commission”) published Request for Letters of Interest (“LOI”) 13-2024 for Bridge Construction Administration and Inspection Services for Construction Project No. 43-24-10, Bridge Replacement, Boardman-Canfield Road (US 224) Bridge over the Ohio Turnpike, Milepost 227.6, Mahoning County, Ohio, (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2024, Letters of Interest were received from three (3) firms expressing their desire to serve as the Commission’s engineering consultant for bridge construction administration and inspection services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, an Evaluation Team consisting of Engineering Staff convened to independently review, evaluate, and score the submissions in accordance with the LOI Evaluation Process and the Commission’s Contracts Policy in order to rank the submissions; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the Letters of Interest received, in accordance with the Commission’s Standard Operating Procedure for Professional Design Consultant Selection Process, the Evaluation Team concluded that ms consultants, inc. (“ms”), is the most qualified firm to perform the necessary services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, ms submitted a fee proposal dated September 10, 2024, to perform the Services in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,346,455.20 which fee proposal the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director deemed reasonable and appropriate, and recommends that the Commission approve the award of the contract to ms based on its technical proposal and fee proposal for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Commission’s Director of Contracts Administration has determined that the LOI process and the selection of ms conform with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71, that all legal requirements were performed and that the Letters of Interest were solicited on the basis of the same terms and conditions with respect to all respondents and potential respondents; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Equity and Inclusion has found that ms has made a good faith effort to attain the participation of small or otherwise disadvantaged businesses on the Project and has made a commitment to meet or exceed the SBE participation goal of 25% for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director and the Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director have reviewed the recommendation submitted by the Evaluation Team, and concur that the Commission should approve the selection of ms to perform the bridge construction administration and inspection services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Commission action is necessary to approve the Contract in accordance with Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Bylaws because the amount estimated to perform the required bridge construction administration and inspection services is anticipated to exceed \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered such recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the selection of ms consultants, inc. is approved as the most qualified firm to perform the required bridge construction administration and inspection services for Project No. 43-24-10, and that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a contract with ms consultants, inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,346,455.20.

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