OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Approving the Selection of Woolpert, Inc. to Perform Phase I and Phase II Services for Project No. 71-23-10 in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$486,783.00

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2023, the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission ("Commission") published notice of its Request for Letters of Interest ("LOI") 16-2023 seeking letters of interest for professional engineering services and engineering support during construction for Project No. 71-23-10, Deck Replacement and Pier Rehabilitation of Yorktown Road Bridge (Dalton Road – CR 260) over the Ohio Turnpike Mainline at Milepost 100.2 and Deck Overlay and Pier Rehabilitation of Vickery Road Bridge (CR 268) over the Ohio Turnpike Mainline at Milepost 101.3, in Sandusky County, Ohio (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 2023, the Commission received four (4) Letters of Interest from firms expressing their readiness to serve as the Commission's engineering consultant 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 LOI Evaluation Team concluded that Woolpert, Inc. ("Woolpert") is the most qualified to perform the necessary services for the Project and conducted a Scope of Services meeting to confirm a mutual understanding of the Phase I Services for the Project, consisting of bridge inspection and report, field survey, base plans, preliminary rehabilitation investigations, and preliminary engineering report ("Phase I Services") and Phase II Services during construction ("Phase II Services"); and

WHEREAS, Woolpert submitted its revised fee proposal dated March 25, 2024, to perform the Phase I and Phase II Services in the not-to-exceed amount of \$486,783.00 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 Woolpert 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 Woolpert 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 based on the same terms and conditions with respect to all respondents and potential respondents; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Equity and Inclusion determined that Woolpert 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 the SBE participation goal of 10% for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has reviewed the recommendations submitted by the Evaluation Team and Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director, and concurs that the Commission should approve the selection of Woolpert to perform the professional engineering 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 of the fee proposal to perform the Phase I and Phase II Services exceeds \$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 Woolpert, Inc. is approved as the most qualified firm to perform the design services and engineering support during construction for Project No. 71-23-10 and that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a contract with Woolpert, Inc. for Phase I and Phase II Services in the not-to-exceed amount of \$486,783.00.