

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director
to take Further Action Concerning
the Services of an Architectural Consultant**

WHEREAS, on July 18, 1996, the Commission issued a Letter of Interest to solicit responses from architectural firms to provide preliminary studies, final design and assist with the construction management in connection with the renovation of the Commission's sixteen service plazas;

WHEREAS, responses were received on August 2, 1996, from ten architectural firms expressing an interest in serving the Commission and such responses were studied by the Commission's staff and the Commission's Service Plaza Review Group;

WHEREAS, the Service Plaza Review Group, after reviewing the proposals submitted, selected three of the firms to be interviewed, such interviews being held on September 3 and 4, 1996;

WHEREAS, the Service Plaza Review Group, after analyzing the proposals received and completing the interviews aforesaid met with the three firms on September 19 to discuss the forum for a competitive design process involving two sites, i.e., Middle Ridge and Tiffin River Service Plazas;

WHEREAS, each firm agreed to provide a conceptual floor plan of the buildings, complete with elevation views, renderings and a conceptual site plan, and the Commission agreed to contribute \$20,000 to each firm to defray the cost of competition;

WHEREAS, each firm's proposals were due on November 7, 1996, and each firm agreed to make a brief presentation, which presentations were conducted on November 7 and November 8, 1996;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Commission and its patrons to have the option to contract with up to two firms for architectural services given the large scope and magnitude of the project to construct/renovate the Commission's sixteen service plazas located along the 241.2 mile Turnpike;

WHEREAS, the selection of two architectural firms provides the potential for an expedited construction schedule and provides the Commission with the benefit of the expertise of two firms;

WHEREAS, the Service Plaza Review Group, after analyzing the proposals received, completing the interviews aforesaid and attending the respective presentations aforesaid, made recommendations to the Commission, and the Commission has duly considered such recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Director to select either **Gilberti, Spittler International (GSI)** of Cleveland, Ohio, and/or **Wolfgang Doerschlag Architects Limited, Inc.** of Columbus, Ohio to provide preliminary studies, final design and assist with the construction management in connection with the construction/renovation of the Commission's sixteen service plazas; and authorizes and directs the executive director and general counsel to enter into negotiations with either firm or both firms to formalize a contract for architectural services, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Commission's letter of interest and their respective architectural proposal and presentation.

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