

TCS MODERNIZATION PROJECT

OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Approving the Selection of Prime AE Group, Inc. for Architectural and Engineering Services Project Nos. 58-21-01, 58-21-02, and 58-22-01 in the Total Amount of \$646,910.22

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2021, the Commission issued Request for Letters of Interest No. 12-2021 seeking letters of interest for architectural and engineering services for Project No. 58-21-01 - Mainline Toll Plaza Facility, Utility Buildings, Toll Booths & Canopies; Milepost 4, located in Williams County, Ohio; Project No. 58-21-02 - Mainline Toll Plaza Facility; Utility Buildings, Toll Booths & Canopies; Milepost 211, located in Trumbull County, Ohio; and Project No. 58-22-01 - Mainline Toll Plaza Renovation; Utility Building, Toll Booths & Canopy; Milepost 239, located in Mahoning County, Ohio (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, Letters of Interest were received from four (4) firms expressing their readiness to serve as the Commission’s Architectural and Engineering Consultant for architectural and engineering services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of the proposals received, the Engineering staff concluded that Prime AE Group, Inc. (“Prime AE”), of Akron, Ohio, was the most qualified to perform the necessary services for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Engineering staff conducted a Scope of Services meeting with Prime AE to confirm a mutual understanding of the services for the Project consisting of Architectural and Engineering Services (the “Services”); and

WHEREAS, Prime AE submitted its fee proposal dated October 5, 2021, to perform the Services for Project Nos. 58-21-01 and 58-21-02, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$646,910.22 (\$316,483.08 for Project No. 58-21-01 and \$330,427.14 for Project No. 58-21-02) which fee proposal the Chief Engineer deemed reasonable and appropriate, and recommends that the Commission approve the award of the contract based on its technical proposal and fee proposal for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer advises that Prime AE will provide a fee proposal in the future for Project No. 58-22-01, which has not yet been advertised or awarded to a contractor, and such fee proposal will be reviewed and approved at that time in the manner required under the Commission’s contracts policy; and

WHEREAS, the Commission’s Director of Contracts Administration has determined that the LOI process and the selection of Prime AE conform with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 to 153.71, that all legal requirements were performed and that the proposals 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 Manager determined that Prime AE 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 Chief Engineer recommends and the Executive Director has reviewed the recommendation of the Chief Engineer and concurs that the Commission should approve the selection of Prime AE to perform the Services for the Project; 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 Prime AE Group, Inc. is approved as the firm that is most qualified to perform the Architectural and Engineering Services necessary for Project Nos. 58-21-01, 58-21-02 and 58-22-01 and that

the Executive Director is authorized to execute a contract with Prime AE Group, Inc. in the total amount of \$646,910.22 for services on Project Nos. 58-21-01 and 58-21-02; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director has the authority under Article V, Section 1.00 of the Code of Bylaws to approve such extra work or change orders under said Contract that does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the approved contract amount or the Executive Director's contracting authority and which is a result of an increase in the planned quantities, newly mandated requirements that did not exist at the time of original contract award, or circumstances that would create a life, safety, or health threatening situation or would unduly delay the completion of the Project or increase its costs.

(Resolution No. 59-2021 adopted October 18, 2021)