

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO FIRE & SAFETY, INC. THROUGH USE OF THE H-GAC NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange (“Township”) Fire Department is charged with the responsibility of fire suppression, protection and prevention within the Township; and

WHEREAS, in order to fulfill their mandated responsibly, apparatus must be purchased to maintain optimal efficiency; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 authorizes contracting units to purchase goods or to contract for services through the use of a nationally recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process by another contracting unit with the State of New Jersey or within any other state, when available; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council, by Resolution No.178-14 dated September 23, 2014, authorized membership with said H-GAC, a recognized National Cooperative, thus becoming a member; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent published on March 05, 2024 a Notice of Intent, pursuant to the Local Finance Notice 2012-10 to utilize the H-GAC Cooperative Contract No. FS12-23 to purchase One (1) Pierce base model 23P-104 Saber Pumper-1022 and provided a comment period to allow vendors a mechanism to provide alternate proposals; and

WHEREAS, there were no responses from other vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Fire Department did due diligence comparing multiple companies on the H-GAC Cooperative contract FS12-23 for a Fire Pumper and recommends Fire & Safety Services, located 200 Ryan Street, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080, as the best company to meet the Fire Departments needs and budget (see Exhibit “A”).

WHEREAS, consistent with the H-GAC cooperative purchasing contract and the needs of the Township, Fire & Safety Services has submitted a proposal with an 80% prepayment option which to provide the Township an addition savings and result in the total cost of \$760,437.08 for One (1) Pierce base model 23P-104 Saber Pumper-1022, see attached cost sheet “Exhibit A”.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the West Orange Township Council the following:

1. The Township shall receive from Fire & Safety Services, all supplemental documentation which complies with the laws of the State of New Jersey for entities awarded a contract by a public entity.
2. The Township Purchasing Agent be authorized to enter into a contract on behalf of the Township and a purchase order issued.
3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer certifies sufficient funds are available for said procurement in the amount of not to exceed \$760,437.08.

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk

Bill Rutherford
Council President

Adopted: March 26, 2024

I hereby certify funds are available from Account: Capital Account No.
03-2829-23-0600-010

John O. Gross, Chief Financial Officer