

Resolution No	44-2021	No Sufficiency of Funds Required <u>Bibl Taylor</u>
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ADOPTING A REVISED LIST OF FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PERFORM VARIOUS SERVICES FOR THE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Union County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") has been duly created by ordinance of the Board of Chosen Commissioners of the County of Union, Freeholders as a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey pursuant to and in accordance with the County Improvement Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out the stated purposes and goals for which the Authority was created, the Authority will require, from time to time, consulting and professional services relating to and in furtherance of its activities; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined to undertake a fair and open process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq. through the issuance of a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") for contract awards for such services required on and after the Authority's 2021 Reorganization through and until its Reorganization in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established and implemented a procedure for a qualifications process, which required, at a minimum, (1) public advertisement of the RFQ on the official Authority website for at least ten (10) calendar days, (2) establishment of appropriate evaluation criteria, which was documented in writing and disclosed prior to the solicitation of qualifications, and (3) public opening of responses to the RFQ; (4) evaluation of responses by an appointed Evaluation Committee; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2021, the Authority received proposals from various firms in response to the RFQ, which have been reviewed and evaluated; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2021, the Authority posted Notice of a Request for Qualifications in order to expand the pool of qualified persons and/or firms for Arbitrage Calculation Services; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2021, the Authority posted Notice of a Request for Qualifications in order to expand the pool of qualified persons and/or firms for Financial Advisory Services; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2021, the Authority posted Notice of a Request for Qualifications for qualified persons and/or firms for Redevelopment Counsel Services; and

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Yes/Aye	No-Nay	Abstain	Absent
David Barnett			-			
Steve Hockaday	1		/			
Christopher Kolibas			/			
Debra Marshall			V			
Andrea Mojica			1			
Ahmed Shehata			1			
Scott Huff, Vice Chairman			V			
Sebastian D'Elia, Chairman			/			



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WHEREAS, on February 24, 2021 the Authority received proposals from firms in response to the RFQ – Arbitrage Calculation Services, which have been reviewed and evaluated; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2021 the Authority received proposals from firms in response to the RFQ – Financial Advisory Services and Redevelopment Counsel Services, which have been reviewed and evaluated; and

WHEREAS, moreover the Authority established an Evaluation Committee to evaluate any and all responses to the RFQ, consisting of the following individuals: Melanie Slowik and Carol Berlen, Esq.; and

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to adopt the revised attached list of firms as qualified to perform consulting and professional services to the Authority, on an as-needed basis, pursuant to their proposals in response to the RFQ's, and the Authority's acceptance of the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Union County Improvement Authority that the list of firms attached hereto and made part hereof is deemed qualified, pursuant to the Authority's RFQ process, to perform services to the Authority.

2021 QUALIFIED FIRMS

Arbitrage Calculation Services

BLX Group, LLC.

Appraisal Services

Sterling DiSanto & Associates

Architectural Services

- Arcari & Iovino Architects PC
- Becica Associates LLC.
- DiCara I Rubino Architects
- > DI Group Architects
- ➤ DMR Architects
- > Netta Architects
- > The Musial Group Architects
- ➤ USA Architects

Auditing Services

- ➤ Suplee Clooney & Company
- Wielkotz & Company LLC.

Construction Management

- Cambridge Construction Management
- CME Associates
- ➤ Colliers International
- ➤ DI Group Architecture
- > Greyhawk Construction Management
- ➤ Harbor Consultants
- ➤ KS Engineers, P.C.
- Legacy Construction Management Inc.
- > MAST Construction
- MFS Construction, LLC.
- ➤ Neglia Engineering Associates
- ➤ Pinnacle Consulting & Construction
- ➤ Remington & Vernick Engineers

Financial Advisory Services

- Acacia Financial Group, Inc.
- Lerch Vinci & Higgins, LLP.
- Phoenix Advisors, LLC.
- NW Financial Group, LLC.

General Counsel Services

- Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC.
- Rainone, Coughlin & Minchello, LLC

Insurance Brokerage Services

> Acrisure, LLC

General Engineering Services

- CME Associates
- Concord Engineering
- Harbor Consultants
- ➤ KS Engineers, P.C.
- Maser Consulting P.A.
- > MFS Engineers & Surveyors
- Neglia Engineering Associates
- ➤ Remington & Vernick Engineers
- > T&M Associates

Special Counsel Services

Bond Counsel

- Archer & Greiner
- Gibbons P.C.
- Gluck Walrath, LLP.
- > JP Capizzi
- ➤ McCarter & English
- Waters, McPherson, McNeil, P.C.
- Wilentz Attorneys at Law

Legal - Special Counsel

- Eric M. Bernstein Associates, LLC
- ➤ Hatfield Schwartz Law Group
- Jardim, Meisner & Susser, P.C.

Redevelopment Counsel

- McManimon, Scotland & Bauman
- Rainone, Coughlin & Minchello, LLC

Renewable Energy Consulting

➤ Gabel Associates