

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2017

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FROM DESIGN PROFESSIONAL FIRMS, DETERMINING AN EMERGENCY, AND ESTABLISHING A PROCESS FOR PREQUALIFYING AND HIRING DESIGN PROFESSIONALS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has engaged in a process to develop a master plan and overview of potential development needs and public improvement projects for the Richfield Heritage Preserve park property; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the public improvement projects emanating from the master planning process, the Board of Trustees has identified a need for professional engineering services; and

WHEREAS, certain improvement projects associated with the master plan and the development of the park property are critical to ensuring public safety by addressing imminent health and safety risks, including projects involving critical infrastructure, dams, and dilapidated structures; and

WHEREAS, the RJRD has bond funds available for improvement projects associated with the master plan and ensuring public safety that must be spent by the end of June 2018; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Trustees wishes to utilize a process for prequalifying and hiring design professionals that permits it to immediately and properly address exigent circumstances and conditions existing on the Richfield Heritage Preserve park property, which this Board's Chair has determined in writing to constitute an emergency, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 153.71(B).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Richfield Joint Recreation District, County of Summit, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That conditions exist within the Richfield Heritage Preserve property, including decaying and dilapidated structures and two large dams, that require immediate analysis, repair and remediation, and that constitute an emergency requiring immediate action, as outlined in the Briefing Memo of Board Chair Dominic Cugini dated January 6, 2017.

SECTION 2. That in order to expedite public improvement projects needed within the Richfield Heritage Preserve park on an emergency basis and in furtherance of the master plan, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 153.71(B) which exempts emergency projects from certain otherwise applicable requirements, this Board will utilize the following procedure for hiring design professionals: (1) a request for qualifications will be posted on the RJRD website and also issued to design professionals who have previously provided statements of qualifications to the RJRD, which will allow at least two weeks for submission of statements of qualifications; (2) the RJRD's Governance Committee will review the statements of qualifications submitted in responses to the foregoing RFQ and will recommend to the Board design professionals for prequalification; (3) prequalification status confirmed by the Board of Trustees will mean that a prequalified design professional firm will be eligible for contracts associated with RJRD public improvement projects for 24 months, but such status will not guarantee that a firm will be awarded any particular

amount or type of work, or any work, within the two-year period; and (4) design services will be provided in accordance with a contract negotiated consistent with Ohio Revised Code Section 153.69(B) without regard to the contract amount.

SECTION 3. That this Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.


SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

01/09, 2017

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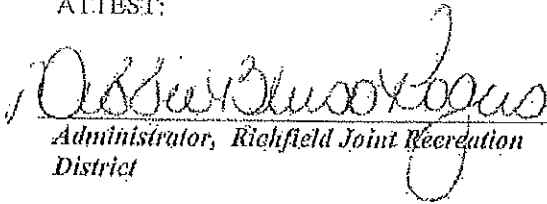
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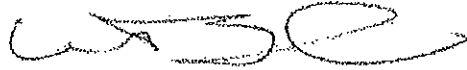


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