

DESIGNER SELECTION BOARD
MINUTES OF THE 1067TH MEETING, WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23, 2023 VIA ZOOM.

1. ROLL CALL:

The Designer Selection Board Meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Martha Blakey Smith, AIA, Chair	Registered Architect
Maureen Sakakeeny, P.E., V-Chair	Registered Engineer
Khalil Mogassabi, AIA	Registered Architect
Elise F. Woodward, AIA,	Registered Architect
Severino Luna, P.E.	Registered Engineer
David Capaldo	General Contractor
Mark Boyle	Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Vacant	Registered Architect
Vacant	Registered Engineer
Vacant	Registered Engineer
Vacant	Public Member

Present for the DSB staff, Claire G. Hester, Acting Executive Director and Roberto Melendez, Program Coordinator I.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion to approve the minutes of the 1066th August 9, 2023 meeting was made by Severino Luna, seconded by Mark Boyle. Motion was approved.

3. VISITORS:

Emmanuel Andrade	DCAMM
Greg Arpin	Dukes County Sheriff's Office
Alexis Karagounis	MassDOT
Mark Carmichael	MassDOT
Caroline Calderwood	CI Design, Inc.
Danielle Mercier	EDM Studio
Doreen Bennett	RGB
Thomas Darr	Beacon Architects
Grace Lee	HDR Inc.
Tom Stella	WSP
Iris Davis	CSS Architects
Dennis Love	DCAMM
Ashley Horan	TSKP
Jennifer Shelby	IMEG Corp.
Sarah Felton	DCAMM
Brenda Hernandez	DCAMM
Ned Collier	ICON
Diana Cioffari-MacPhee	Matz Collaborative
Marla Quinones	DCAMM
Melissa Calvo Vides	ICON
Ellie Whelton	DCAMM
Chris Nordberg	STV Inc.
Benjamin Lassel	STV Inc.
Hannah Hazelton	Rowse Architects

4. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DSB List #23-13, SDD2301, Dukes County Jail and House of Correction Upgrades, 149 Main Street, Edgartown (DCAMM), ECC: Approximately \$4,700,000, Fee for DRAFT: \$300,000, Fee for Schematic Design/Certifiable Study/Final Design: To Be Negotiated

Emmanuel Andrade from DCAMM and Major Greg Arpin from Dukes County Sheriff's Office were present to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

The following six (6) firms met the requirements in this advertisement:

Habeeb and Associates Architects – This firm is in Norwell and Worcester with 29 employees. This was an excellent proposal with relevant project experience. Section #5 was very responsive to the project criteria.

HDR Architecture, PC – This firm is in Boston and NJ with 185 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience across the country. Section #5 was very responsive to the project criteria.

ICON Architecture – This WBE firm is in Boston with 50 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience. They were missing the landscape architect resume and typos throughout the application.

Matz Collaborative Architects, Inc. – This firm is in Framingham with 7 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience.

Rowse Architects, Inc. – This firm is in Foxborough with 15 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience but not as strong as other applicants for this project.

USA Architects, Planners + Interior Designers, LTD. – This firm is in New Jersey and Pennsylvania with 55 employees. This is their first application to the Board since 2020. They do not have any Massachusetts employees listed in their proposal. They were very well qualified in correctional facility experience.

B. Public Comments

None

C. Project Voting and Ranking

The following firms displayed considerable skills and similar experiences for this project. In accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Section 49 the Board voted for the following two unranked finalists for the Dukes County Jail and House of Correction project to be interviewed in September.

Habeeb and Associates Architects
HDR Architecture, P.C.

Motion was made by David Capaldo to interview the two (2) finalists mentioned above for the Dukes County Jail and House of Correction project, seconded by Severino Luna. Motion was approved.

The immediate services authorized is a draft study. It is intended that the certifiable building study, schematic plans and outline specifications, design development plans and specifications, construction plans and specifications and administration and construction contract be required of the selected Designer's team following completion of the certified study and notification of the Board in accordance with M.G.L.c.7C.

D. DSB List #23-14, DSBA-10, Study & Design for General Building Renovations, Repairs & Upgrades, MassDOT, Department of Transportation, Statewide, ECC: Varies Per Project: Not to exceed authority delegated pursuant to M.G.L. c.7C §5, for an individual project. Maximum Fee Per Contract (based on the scope of the work & services authorized, shall not exceed) \$1,000,000 (House Doctor), 9 Applicants

Alexis Karagounis and Mark Carmichael both from MassDOT were present to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

The following nine (9) firms met the requirements in this advertisement:

CI Design, Inc. – This firm is in Boston with 130 employees. This proposal mentioned relevant project experience and was not as responsive as other firms. The architect and landscape architect is the same person but they did identify another person as landscape architect that is not registered in Massachusetts.

CSS Architects, Inc. – This WBE firm is in Wakefield with 11 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience. They provided good references. Section #5 was very responsive to the project criteria.

EDM Studio, Inc. – This firm is in Connecticut with 13 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

Gannett Fleming Engineers & Architects, PC – This firm is in Boston and Hopkinton with 2,714 employees worldwide. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience. Their transportation experience was mostly from out-of-state. DCAMM does not allow any modifications to their contracts.

Helene Karl Architects, Inc. – This WBE firm is in Groton with 4 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience.

JM Booth and Associates, Inc. – This firm is in New Bedford with 6 employees. This was a good application with relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

RGB Architects, Inc. – This VBE firm is in Providence, RI with 27 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

Socotec AE Consulting, LLC – This firm is in Boston with 27 employees. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience.

STV, Inc. – This firm is in Boston with 2,533 employees nationwide. This was a good proposal with relevant project experience.

E. Public Comments

None

F. Project Voting and Ranking

The following firms displayed considerable skills and similar experiences for this project. In accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Section 49 the Board voted for the following three (3) unranked finalists for the MassDOT House Doctor project:

CSS Architects, Inc.
JM Booth and Associates, Inc.
RGB Architects

Motion was made by Severino Luna to select the three (3) House Doctor finalists mentioned above for the MassDOT project, seconded by Mark Boyle. Motion was approved.

The immediate services authorized are a draft study, certifiable building study, schematic plans and outline specifications, design development plans and specifications, construction plans and specifications and administration and construction contract.

G. Board Business:

It was noted that there are 3 candidates for the Executive Director position. They will be interviewed over the next few weeks and eventually brought to the Board for an introduction.

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: The Board adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

On a motion to adjourn the meeting of August 23, 2023 by Elise Woodward, seconded by David Capaldo. Motion was approved.

6. NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. via ZOOM

Submitted by: Claire H. Hester

Approved by: M. Blukis Smith