

DESIGNER SELECTION BOARD

MINUTES OF THE 1049th MEETING, WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 19, 2022 VIA ZOOM.

1. ROLL CALL:

The Designer Selection Board Meeting was called to order at 8:39 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Martha Blakey Smith, AIA	Registered Architect
Elise F. Woodward, AIA, Chair	Registered Architect
David A. Chappell, P.E., V-Chair	Registered Engineer
Severino Luna, P.E.	Registered Engineer
Maureen Sakakeeny, P.E.	Registered Engineer
Mark Boyle	Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Khalil Mogassabi, AIA	Registered Architect
Alan Ricks, AIA,	Registered Architect
Ilyas Bhatti, P.E.	Registered Engineer
David Capaldo	General Contractor
Kathleen B. Colwell	Public Member

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

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion to approve the minutes of the 1048th October 5, 2022 meeting was made by David Chappell, seconded by Maureen Sakakeeny. Motion was approved.

3. VISITORS:

Emmanuel Andrade	DCAMM
Elayne Campos	DCAMM
Mike McCarthy	NECC
Dana Margolis	NECC
David Siniscalchi	DCAMM
Bob Baldwin	Conservatory Lab Charter School/QPDCO
Joshua Sydney	Conservatory Lab Charter School/Sydney Project Management
John Chistolini	Conservatory Lab Charter School
Peter Brigham	UMass Lowell
Gary Nolan	UMass Lowell
Monique Rice	Sydney Project Management
Emily White	Tighe & Bond
Sara Glassman	LDA
Caroline Fitzgerald	RMF
Ashley Horan	TSKP
Deborah Azer	Habeeb
Danielle Mercier	EDM
Joanna Morlot	CBT Architects
Kate Zagarenski	STV
John Crisley	DCAMM
Ellen Thompson	Isgenuity
Yujie Jin	NECC
Marisa Elliott	NECC
Serena Wong	RFS Engineering
Ahmed Idris	BWA
Margaret deAlmeida	RFS Engineering
Diana Cioffari-MacPhee	Matz
Jessica Bell	FMA
Rebecca Maloney	RFS Engineering
Susan Elmore	Cambridge Seven
Michele Auer	BWA
Samantha Espinoza	Studio MLA
Brenna Sapienza	DCAMM
Ai Kurokawa	Isgenuity
Adam Mitchell	Cambridge Seven
Mike Sears	NV5
Sayem Khan	William Pevear
Pamela Merrill	RFS Engineering
Paola Leon	FMA
Kelsey Lyons	RW Sullivan
Lauren Bennett	Studio G Architects
Kayla Skerry	STV

Susan Keller	Realogy
--------------	---------

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. DSB List #22-21, NEC2301, General Services & Science Buildings Renovations, Northern Essex Community College, 100 Elliot St., Haverhill (DCAMM), ECC: \$8,500,000, Fee for Draft Study: \$275,000, Fee for Schematic Design/Certifiable Study and Final Design: To Be Negotiated, 6 Applicants

Emmanuel Andrade from DCAMM along with Mike McCarthy and Dana Margolis both from Northern Essex Community College were present to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

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

William Pevear Architects, Inc. – This was a small firm with solid project experience. They submitted good references and evaluations. This was a good application with a detailed Section #5.

Matz Collaborative Architects, Inc. – This was a small firm with relevant project experience. It was a strong application.

Isgenuity, LLC – This firm has two offices one in Boston and one in Providence. They submitted positive references. This was a strong team with relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. It was a good application.

Fennick McCredie Architecture – The firm is based in Boston with 49 employees. They submitted relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. This was a strong application.

Cambridge Seven – The firm is based in Cambridge with 51 employees. This was a strong proposal with relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

BWA Architecture, Inc. – The firm is based in Boston with 22 employees. They submitted relevant project experience. Section #5 did not specifically address the project criteria.

B. Public Comments

None

C. Project Voting and Ranking

The 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 to select the following three (3) firms to be interviewed on November 2, 2022:

Cambridge Seven
Fennick McCredie Architecture
Matz Collaborative Architects, Inc.

Motion was made by Maureen Sakakeeny to select the above firms to be interviewed for the Northern Essex Community College 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, construction plans and specifications and administration of construction contract be required of the selected Designer's teams following completion of the draft and/or certified study and notification of the Board in accordance with M.G.L. c. 7C.

D. DSB List #22-22, CLCS 2022-1, Conservatory Lab Renovation & Addition, Conservatory Lab Charter School, 133 Hancock Street, Dorchester, ECC: \$13-\$15 million, Fee for Study/Schematic Design: N/A, Fee for Final Design: To Be Negotiated, 3 Applicants

Bob Baldwin from QPDCO, along with Joshua Sydney from Sydney Project Management and John Chistolini from Conservatory Lab Charter School were present to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

The following three (3) firms met the requirements in this advertisement:

Michael Lindstrom Associates Architects dba StudioMLA Architects – This firm is based in Brookline with 17 employees. They have relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. This was a strong application.

LDA Architecture & Interiors, LLP – This firm is based in Boston and Osterville with 38 employees. They have relevant project experience. This was a good application but not as strong as the other two firms.

CBT Architects – This firm is based in Boston with 155 employees. They have relevant project experience. This was a strong application. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

E. Public Comments

None

F. Project Voting and Ranking

The 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 to select the following two (2) firms to be interviewed on November 16, 2022:

CBT Architects
Michael Lindstrom Associates Architects dba StudioMLA Architects

Motion was made by David Chappell to select the above firms to be interviewed for the Conservatory Lab Charter School project, seconded by Mark Boyle. Motion was approved.

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

G. DSB List #22-23, CL23-MB-0009 (UML Bid Number), Design of Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing & Fire Protection Repairs, Replacements & Upgrades in Existing Facilities, UMass Lowell, Available Aggregate Amount: \$6,000,000, ECC: Varies Per Project, Not to Exceed authority delegated pursuant to M.G.L. c7C §5, for an individual project. Maximum Fee Per Contract: \$1,500,000 (House Doctor – 4 contracts), 13 Applicants

Peter Brigham and Gary Nolan both from UMass Lowell were present to explain the project and answer questions from the Board.

The following thirteen (13) firms met the requirements in this advertisement:

VAV International, Inc. – This was a strong application. They provided relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

Tighe & Bond – This firm is based in Westfield. They provided relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

STV, Inc. – This firm has 110 employees in Massachusetts out of firm size of over 2,000. This was a good application with relevant project experience.

Smith Group – This firm has 96 employees based in Boston. They have relevant project experience with excellent client references. This was a good application.

RMF Engineering, Inc. – This firm is based in Boston with 5 employees and a secondary office in Baltimore. They have relevant project experience. This was a good application. There was a concern that their electrical team members were in SC and MD.

Rist-Frost-Shumway Engineering, PC – This firm has 11 employees located in Boston with another office in Laconia NH. They have extensive relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. This was a strong proposal.

Richard D. Kimball Co dba NV5 – They have offices in Andover and Hadley. They did not respond directly to some of the project criteria in Section #5. They submitted relevant project experience.

R.W. Sullivan Engineering – This firm is based in Boston with 95 employees. They provided relevant project experience. They did not respond directly to some of the project criteria in Section #5.

GGD Consulting Engineers, Inc. – This was a good application. They have relative project experience and were familiar with UMass Lowell. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

Fitzmeyer & Tocci Associates, Inc. – This firm is based in Woburn with 60 employees. They have relevant project experience. This was a good application.

EDM Architecture & Engineering, PC – This firm is based in Pittsfield with 15 employees and an office in CT. They have relevant project experience. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. This was a good application.

B2Q Associates, Inc. – This firm is based in Andover. They have relevant project experience and excellent references. This was a strong application. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria.

Architectural Engineers/IMEG – This firm is based in Boston with 35 employees. They have extensive project experience and strong client references. Section #5 was responsive to the project criteria. This was another strong application.

H. Public Comments

None

I. Project Voting and Ranking

The 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 to select the following four (4) unranked firms for the UMass Lowell House Doctor project:

B2Q Associates, Inc.
GGD Consulting Engineers, Inc.
Rist-Frost-Shumway Engineering, PC
VAV International, Inc.

Motion was made by David Chappell to select the above firms for the UMass Lowell House Doctor project, seconded by Mark Boyle. Motion was approved.

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

J. Board Business:

The Board requested to schedule a discussion on the DSB Online Portal for November 2, 2022 and invite Autocene to attend the November 16, 2022 meeting.

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: The Board adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

On a motion to adjourn the meeting of October 19, 2022 Severino Luna, seconded by Martha Blakey Smith. Motion was approved.

6. NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. via ZOOM

Submitted by: Claire G. Hester

Approved by: Glise F. Howard