

Village Council Agenda Item

Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio

Agenda Title: Consideration of Resolution 2008-xx Selecting LJB Engineering as the Village's Design Consultant on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Compliance Upgrade and Authorizing the Village Manager to enter into an agreement for design not to exceed \$342,000.

Presenter: Eric C. Swansen, Village Manager

Problem/Issue Statement

The Village Wastewater Treatment Plant requires an upgrade to comply with the conditions set by the Ohio EPA. The second phase of this work is to design the project.

Financial Impact

The 2008 budget included a combination of grant and financed proceeds for this project. The cost is based on the grant submission estimate of \$342,000, which also includes some monitoring of construction phase activities.

Recommendation

Village Manager recommends approval.

Background

The Village accepted funding for an Issue 2 grant to complete the Wastewater Treatment Plant Compliance Upgrade Project. This grant application was based upon the preliminary engineering analysis that was conducted by LJB for this project.

The next phase in this project is to get a firm involved in design. The Village is required to use a qualifications-based selection process, not cost, for engaging a firm. The Village sought proposals from qualified firms in February. The proposals were due in March. There were two qualified submissions that were evaluated, although we received a number of queries from interested parties during the advertising period.

The submissions were rated based on selection criteria that looked at the firms experience in similar projects, the project manager's experience, the project principal's experience and experience with this funding source. Our process also examined the work that firms had completed in the Village of Yellow Springs and experience presenting in Yellow Springs.

The highest rated firm was the engineering firm of LJB from Beavercreek, Ohio.

It should be noted the Village Solicitor has a conflict in this matter. As a result, the Village Manager will be using outside Counsel to advise us on the final terms and conditions of the contract.

Recommendation

Village Manager recommends approval.

Approved by: