

RESOLUTION 2022-26

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE ENGINEERING FIRM CT CONSULTANTS, FOR ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE WATER TOWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village Administrator has previously advised Council and the Finance Committee that the Village's water tower is in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Hiram has previously hired CT Consultants as the design professional for the water tower replacement project; and

WHEREAS, in the time which has elapsed since the initial hiring of CT Consultants, the scope of needed engineering services has increased to now include the following additional services:

- Resolve Ohio Environmental Protection Agency [OEPA] notices of violation for water system deficiencies that were necessitated by the water tower plan approval process [an eleven-month process including at least 6 separate submittals to OEPA and plan modifications to add work at the Water Treatment Plant].
- Prepare and administer OEPA Water Supply Revolving Loan Account application, worksheets, accompanying water system documentation, loan repayment financial calculations, and review customer rate revenue projections.
- Revise project bid documents to address WSRLA funding.
- Manage re-bidding process.

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in conformity with the provisions of ORC 153.71(B) the Council desires to make a determination that immediate action is needed to hire a design professional for the Water Tower Replacement Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Hiram, Portage County, Ohio, two thirds or more of the members thereto concurring that:

Section 1: The Council finds and determines that this legislation is passed to create and establish the written determination in compliance with ORC 153.71(B) that the construction administration of the Water Tower Replacement Project is an emergency, and as such requires immediate action.

Section 2: CT Consultants is a design professional firm which currently provides services to the Village, including but not limited to assisting the Village in rebidding and procuring the financing to fund the Water Tower Replacement Project.

Section 3: Council also finds that CT Consultants has negotiated appropriately and in compliance with ORC 153.69(B) to enter into a contract to provide the required professional design services.

Section 4: The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with CT Consultants for engineering and design services, including design, bidding and construction administration for the Water Tower Replacement Project and in substantial conformity with the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein and marked for identification as Exhibit "A".

Section 5: This Resolution is declared an emergency measure becoming effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor for the reason that the design services are needed now to competitively bid the Water Tower Replacement Project in time to construct the new tower in 2022 continuing into 2023, all so that the residents of the Village of Hiram are assured a healthful and reliable source of potable water.

Section 6: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that the deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

First Reading: August 16, 2022

PASSED IN COUNCIL on second reading as an emergency on August 30, 2022.



Mayor Lou Bertrand

ATTEST:



Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan

Approved as to form:



Village Solicitor Thomas Reitz

I SUSAN SKROVAN, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Hiram, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution ~~or Ordinance~~ No. 2022-26 has been duly posted in the required 5 places.

9/7/2022 Susan J. Skrovan
Date Fiscal Officer, Village of Hiram