

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH GAI CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR THE DESIGN OF THE STOW ROAD SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BETWEEN STATE ROUTE 303 AND RAVENNA STREET.**

WHEREAS, City Staff has developed and seeks to implement the Stow Road Sidewalk Improvement Project, which involves the design and construction of a 5-ft. pedestrian sidewalk along Stow Road from East Streetsboro Road (State Route 303) to Ravenna Street, including storm design, retaining walls, crosswalks, traffic signage, pedestrian signals, street lighting, and pavement striping; and

WHEREAS, with the intention to bid this Project for construction by the end of 2024, in 2023, the City sent out a request for proposal (“RFP”) to eight qualified civil engineering consulting firms to assist the City with this Project; and

WHEREAS, the requested consulting services include any needed survey, geotechnical analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, multiple public meetings, City Council meetings, exhibits, utility and outside agency coordination, project specifications, cost estimates and other miscellaneous services described within the RFP; and

WHEREAS, in response the RFP, the City received two (2) formal proposals for the Project as listed below:

GAI Consultants, Inc. - \$189,986.09

Thrasher Engineering - \$219,905.60

WHEREAS, following the review of the proposals and an interview with the consultant as to its ability to do the required work, along with its ODOT experience and understanding of the RFP, the City staff is recommending GAI Consultants, Inc. to perform the design of the Stow Road Sidewalk Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS the consultants will provide the Request for Information (RFI) during the bid process, wetland delineation, property acquisition mapping and descriptions, and consulting during the shop drawing review; and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting a 5% contingency to handle any unforeseen issues that may arise during the design and investigation work on this Project; and

WHEREAS, the total requested fee, including the 5% contingency, is \$199,485.39.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio as follows:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to enter a professional services contract with GAI Consultants, Inc. for the design of and related professional services in connection with the Stow Road Sidewalk Improvement Project between SR 303 and Ravenna Street in an amount not to exceed \$199,485.39, which includes a 5% contingency.

Section 2. That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 3. It is 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 all deliberations of this 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 Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:

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Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-44 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council