

5/13/20

**CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BETWEEN
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER
AND
REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS**

THIS CONTRACT is made effective the 13th day of May, 2020, by and between the **COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**, a body politic and corporate of the State of New Jersey, with administrative offices at 2 South Broad Street, Woodbury, New Jersey, 08096, hereinafter referred to as “**County**”, and **REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS**, with an address of 51 Haddonfield Road, Suite 260, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002, hereinafter referred to as “**Contractor**”.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County has a need to contract for professional engineering services regarding construction management and inspection services for the resurfacing of Clayton-Williamstown Road in the Townships of Monroe and Franklin and Borough of Clayton, as per **RFP-20-033**, known as Engineering Project #17-19FA (hereinafter the “**Project**”); and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that it is qualified to perform said required services, and desires to so perform pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Contact.

WHEREAS, this Contract is awarded pursuant to, and consistent with, the County’s Fair and Open Procurement Process and the terms and provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, agreements, and other considerations made by and between the parties, the County and the Contractor do hereby agree as follows:

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

1. **TERM**. This Contract shall commence on May 13, 2020 and terminate upon completion of the Project, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15(9).

2. **COMPENSATION**. Contractor shall be compensated in the total amount of \$56,362.01 as per Contractor’s proposal dated April 28, 2020, which was submitted in response to the County’s Request for Proposal, **RFP-20-033**. The Proposal is incorporated into and made part of this Contract by reference.

Contractor shall be paid in accordance with this Contract document upon receipt of an invoice and a properly executed voucher. After approval by the County, the payment voucher shall be placed in line for prompt payment.

Each invoice shall contain an itemized, detailed description of all work performed during the billing period. Failure to provide sufficient specificity shall be cause for rejection of the invoice until the necessary details are provided.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by Contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the County arising out of, or by reason of, the work done and materials furnished under this Contract.

3. DUTIES OF CONTRACTOR. The specific duties of the Contractor shall be for professional engineering services regarding construction management and inspection services for the resurfacing of Clayton-Williamstown Road in the Townships of Monroe and Franklin and Borough of Clayton, as per **RFP-20-033**, and Contractor's Proposal dated April 28, 2020, which are incorporated by reference in their entirety and made a part of this Contract. Contractor agrees that it has or will comply with all of the requirements set out in **RFP-20-033**.

4. FURTHER OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment and will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality, sex, veteran status or military service. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

b. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

c. The Contractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the Contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

d. The Contractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

e. The Contractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted County employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

f. Termination shall not affect the validity of the indemnification provisions of this Contract, nor prevent the County from pursuing any other relief or damages to which it may be entitled, either at law or in equity.

7. **NO ASSIGNMENT OR SUBCONTRACT.** This Contract may not be assigned, nor subcontracted by the Contractor, except as otherwise agreed in writing by both parties. Any attempted assignment or subcontract without such written consent shall be void with respect to the County, and no obligation on the County's part to such subcontractor or assignee shall arise, unless the County shall elect to accept, and consent to, such assignment or subcontract.

8. **INDEMNIFICATION.** The Contractor shall be responsible for, shall keep save and hold the County harmless from, and shall indemnify the County against, any claim, loss, liability, expense (specifically including but not limited to costs, counsel fees and/or experts' fees), or damage resulting from all mental or physical injuries or disability, including death, to employees or recipients of the Contractor's services or to any other persons, or from any damage to any property sustained in connection with this contract which results from any acts or omissions, including negligence or malpractice, of any of its officers, directors, employees, agents, servants, or independent contractors, or from the Contractor's failure to provide for the safety and protection of its employees, or from Contractor's performance or failure to perform pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Contract, whether or not due to negligence, fault, or default of the Contractor. The Contractor's liability under this Contract shall continue after the termination of this Contract with respect to any liability, loss, expense or damage resulting from acts occurring prior to termination.

9. **INSURANCE.** Contractor shall, if applicable to the services to be provided, maintain general liability, automobile liability, business operations, builders and Workers' Compensation insurance in amounts and with companies deemed satisfactory by the County. Said policies shall be in compliance with any applicable requirements of the State of New Jersey and of the United States. Contractor shall, simultaneously with the execution of this Contract, deliver certifications of said insurance to County, naming the County as an additional insured.

If Contractor is a member of a profession which is subject to suit for professional malpractice, then Contractor shall maintain and continue in full force and effect, an insurance policy for professional liability/malpractice with limits of liability acceptable to the County. Contractor shall, simultaneously with the execution of this Contract, and as a condition precedent to its taking effect, provide to County a copy of a certificate of insurance, verifying that said insurance is and will be in effect during the term of this Contract.

The County shall review the certificate for sufficiency and compliance with this paragraph and approval of said certificate and policy shall be necessary prior to this Contract taking effect. Contractor also hereby agrees to continue said policy in force and effect for the period of the applicable statute of limitations following the termination of this Contract, and shall provide the County with copies of certificates of insurance as the certificates may be renewed during that period of time.

10. SET-OFF. Should Contractor either refuse or neglect to perform the services which Contractor is required to perform in accordance with the terms of this Contract, and if expense is incurred by County by reason of Contractor's failure to perform, then and in that event, such expenses shall be deducted from any payment due to Contractor. Exercise of such set-off shall not operate to prevent County from pursuing any other remedy to which it may be entitled.

11. PREVENTION OF PERFORMANCE BY COUNTY. In the event that the County is prevented from performing this Contract by circumstances beyond its control, then any obligations owing by the County to the Contractor shall be suspended without liability for the period during which the County is so prevented.

12. NON-WAIVER. The failure by the County to enforce any particular provision of this Contract, or to act upon a breach of this Contract by Contractor, shall not operate as or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach, nor a bar to any subsequent enforcement

13. PARTIAL INVALIDITY. In the event that any provisions of this Contract shall be, or become, invalid under any law or applicable regulation, such invalidity shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions of this Contract.

14. NOTICES. Notices required by this Contract shall be effective upon mailing of notice by regular and certified mail to the addresses set forth above, or by personal service, or if such notice cannot be delivered or personally served, then by any procedure for notice pursuant to the Rules of Court of the State of New Jersey.

15. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION AND VENUE. This Contract and all questions relating to its validity, interpretation, performance or enforcement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey. The parties each irrevocably agree that any dispute arising under, relating to, or in connection with, directly or indirectly, this agreement or related to any matter which is the subject of or incidental to this agreement (whether or not such claim is based upon breach of contract or tort) shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the state and/or federal courts located in Gloucester County, New Jersey or the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, Camden, New Jersey. This provision is intended to be a "mandatory" forum selection clause and governed by and interpreted consistent with New Jersey law and each waives any objection based on forum non conveniens.

16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS. The parties acknowledge that Contractor is an independent contractor, and is not an employee, or agent of the County.

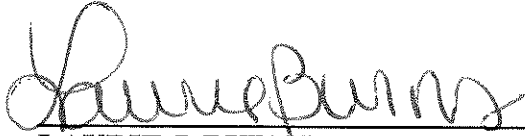
17. BINDING EFFECT. This Contract shall be binding on the undersigned, and their successors and assigns.

18. CONTRACT PARTS. This Contract consists of this Contract document, **RFP-20-033** issued by the County, and the Contractor's Proposal. Should there occur a conflict between this Contract or **RFP-20-033**, and Contractor's Proposal, then this Contract, or the RFP, as the case may be, shall prevail.

THIS CONTRACT is effective as of the date first written above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has caused this instrument to be signed by its Director and attested by its Clerk, pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders passed for that purpose, and Contractor has caused this instrument to be signed by its properly authorized representative and its corporate seal affixed the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:



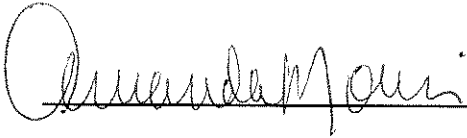
LAURIE J. BURNS,
CLERK OF THE BOARD

COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER



ROBERT M. DAMMING, DIRECTOR

ATTEST:



REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS



By: Leonard A. Falola, P.E., P.P., C.M.E.
Title: Principal