

RESOLUTION NO. 2019- 43

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH DECOTIIS, FITZPATRICK, COLE & GIBLIN, LLP, TEANECK, NJ FOR PUBLIC POWER ATTORNEY SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland has heretofore advertised for proposals for Professional Services for Public Power Attorney Services for the City of Vineland; and

WHEREAS, the Requests were published in the City's official newspaper and the City's website; and

WHEREAS, a proposal was received and referred to the City Solicitor for evaluation and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that a contract for the required services be awarded to DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, Teaneck, NJ, for a contract period beginning February 1, 2019 through January 31, 2020, based upon the proposal received, pursuant to a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS this contract is awarded in an amount not to exceed \$175.00 per hour for all services performed by attorneys, including attendance at required meetings. All services performed by law clerks to be billed at a rate of \$125.00 per hour. All legal services provided by paralegals and legal assistant to be provided at a rate of \$95.00 per hour. Travel time during which legal work is being undertaken on behalf of the City to be billed at normal hourly rate(s) and other travel time to be billed at \$100.00 per hour; plus allowable reimbursable expenses; and

WHEREAS, the availability of funds for said Professional Services Contract to be awarded herein have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for Professional Services without competitive bidding and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that said contract for Professional Services for Public Power Attorney Services for the City of Vineland, be awarded to DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, Teaneck, NJ, based upon the proposal received, pursuant to a fair and open process, at the rate stated above for a contract period beginning February 1, 2019 through January 31, 2020.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Reid Wanda

From: Tonetta Richard
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 8:48 AM
To: Reid Wanda
Subject: FW: Professionals Reviewed RFP

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Bob,

I have reviewed the proposals received for the Legal Department. I would recommend the following:

Labor Attorney: Gruccio, Pepper

Environmental Attorney: DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick

NJ Public Power Attorney: DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick

Associate Solicitors (2): Jeffrey Medio and Buonadonna, Benson

Tax Attorney: Testa Heck Testa

Municipal Foreclosure attorney: Buonadonna Benson

Workers Comp:

Bankruptcy Attorney: Medio Law Firm

Bond Counsel: Fleishman, Daniels Law Firm and McManimon, Scotland

We are going out for new RFP's for Prosecutor and Energy and Capacity and FERC Support. I would like this on the next agenda if ok

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