



RESOLUTION NO. 6939

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL, ACTING AS THE LOCAL CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD, WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING, ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL PROCUREMENT, AND AWARDING A SPECIAL PROCUREMENT CONTRACT TO THE GALARDI ROTHSTEIN GROUP FOR CONSULTING SERVICES TO DEVELOP A UTILITY FEE

WHEREAS, Albany Municipal Code 2.66.060(11), Oregon Revised Statutes 279B.085, and Oregon Administrative Rule 137-047-0285 allow the city council, acting as the local contract review board, to authorize the use of the special procurement process for the selection of goods and services for a special purpose; and

WHEREAS, such authorization must be based on written findings submitted by the department seeking the exception that describes the selected special procurement method to be used and the circumstances that support the use of the special procurement as set forth below; and

WHEREAS, the City is considering options to address an existing funding gap for the General Fund and the Parks and Recreation Special Revenue Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified the development of a utility fee to address the gap and to support one or more designated City services; and

WHEREAS, the rate study would evaluate potential fee structures and levels in the context of the City's funding goals and other considerations; and

WHEREAS, the objective is to recover sufficient revenues to contain rising costs and reduce the funding gap and develop a fee structured recommendation and implementation plan that, if adopted, could be applied July 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Galardi Rothstein Group (GRG) has provided similar consulting services to other cities and to the City for development of a stormwater fee and most recently sewer system development charge updates; and

WHEREAS, GRG has a unique skill set, experience, and extensive knowledge of the City's other rate structures, which will result in substantial time and cost savings to the City; and

WHEREAS, awarding a contract to GRG by use of a contract-specific special procurement will not encourage favoritism or diminish competition and will promote the public interest in a manner that could not practicably be realized by complying with requirements of Oregon Revised Statutes 279B.055, 279B.060, 279B.065, or 279B.070 or under any rules adopted thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Albany City Council, acting as the local contract review board:

SECTION 1. Adopts the following findings:

1. The City requires a special procurement to procure consulting services to conduct a utility fee study to evaluate rate structure options to support City services and the funding gap in the General Fund and Parks and Recreation Special Revenue Fund.
2. The Galardi Rothstein Group (GRG) has a unique skill set and prior knowledge of and experience with the City's rate structures. This provides the City with substantial cost and time savings.
3. Awarding a contract-specific special procurement to GRG will not encourage favoritism or diminish competition for public contracts and will promote the public interest in a manner another procurement sourcing method cannot.

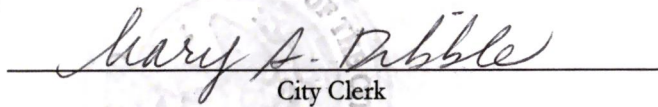
SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Albany Municipal Code Section 2.66.060, the Finance Director is authorized and directed to use the special procurement method to procure consulting services for a utility rate study with a cost of approximately \$35,850.

SECTION 3. The Finance Director is hereby directed to negotiate and award a special procurement contract for consulting services to develop a utility fee after the City has given public notice for seven days of its intent to award a contract, per Oregon Administrative Rules 137-047-0285 and ORS 279B.085.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2020.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

