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RCWD BOARD OF MANAGERS SPECIAL WORKSHOP

Monday, November 4, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Rice Creek Watershed District Conference Room
4325 Pheasant Ridge Drive NE, Suite 611, Blaine, Minnesota

or via Zoom Meeting:

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Agenda

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION (times are estimates only)

9:00 2025/26 Legal Professional Services Interviews

10:00 Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32

Administrator Updates (If Any)

9:00

2025/26 Legal Professional Services Interviews

MEMORANDUM

Rice Creek Watershed District



Date: October 30, 2024
To: RCWD Board of Managers
From: Nick Tomczik, Administrator
Subject: Professional Service Proposals for District 2025-26

Introduction

The District every two years is to solicit interest proposals for legal, professional, or technical consultant services

Background

The Board at its July 24, 2024, meeting authorized notice for solicitation of professional services for the District. The notice instructed interested entities to submit its proposal which was to include background and profile information on the firm, along with the specific information as to expertise in watershed district matters, hourly billing rates for the future 2025-2026 timeframe, and the names and qualifications of personnel. The deadline for submittal closed on September 13, 2024, the District receiving submittals for Board consideration to address the solicited areas of District professional service needs. (The proposals are “non-public data” under Data Practices Act.)

The Board of Managers considered professional service proposals at its October 7, 2024 workshop and by consensus agreed to bring this item to the October 23rd meeting for the full Board to consider. At the October 23rd meeting the Board provided consensus direction to develop contracts with: Houston Engineering, Inc.; Redpath and Company; RYMARK; and set a future date where the Board can speak with representatives of Rinke Noonan and Smith Partners regarding legal services.

The District received only the two proposals for legal services; Rinke Noonan and Smith Partners. The non-public data proposals were provided under separate cover for managers to handle with due care and are reminded to bring that separate packet of non-public information for reference if they wish to the November 4th Workshop.

In preparation for the workshop each firm was asked to give a 10-minute presentation on its services and engage with the Board in another roughly 10 minutes of questions/discussion on its services. The order of two firms’ presentations will be random. While this is a RCWD Board public meeting, the firms were asked to provide professional courtesy during the other firm’s presentation and remain outside the room.

Request for Board Consensus

The Board of Managers need to discuss the legal services available to the District and reach consensus on the contracts which may be developed and then considered by the Board prior to the close of 2024.

10:00 Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32



MEMORANDUM
Rice Creek Watershed District

Date: October 30, 2024
To: RCWD Board of Managers
From: Tom Schmidt Drainage & Facilities Manager,
Nick Tomczik, Administrator
Subject: Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32

Introduction

The Board of Managers has had many discussions regarding Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32 and at its October 23rd meeting failed to approve a wetland replacement plan application associated with the lowering of the culvert under W Pine Street to the ACSIC on the system's main trunk. This agenda item provides an opportunity for the staff to confirm approach in the District's management of Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32 and the Board to discuss.

Request for Board Consensus

The Board of Managers may discuss Anoka County Ditch 10-22-32 and confirm its approach for the area within its watershed district and drainage authorities.