

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY
INFORMATIONAL REPORT
DECISION ON CONTRACT
ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES
NEW COMBINATION JOHN ARCHER
AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FEASIBILITY STUDY

APRIL 25, 2022

Background Information:

As part of the FY 2022 Capital Improvement Budget Request, the Board of Education of Harford County approved the capital funding as required, to fund Feasibility Study Services for the new Combination John Archer and Elementary School. The services include, but are not limited to, developing educational program requirements, evaluating potential public private partnerships, as well as the final feasibility study report including concept plans, cost models, and recommendations for multiple options. The services will also include conducting internal and external stakeholder meetings during the feasibility study process as required to obtain all input, suggestions, and considerations. The deliverables for these services will be a presentation and final feasibility study report to the Board of Education for the recommendation of the preferred conceptual floor plan option, which will be supported by the feasibility study committee.

Discussion:

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Architectural/Engineering Feasibility Study Services was issued by HCPS' Facilities Department. In response to this RFQ, fifteen (15) firms submitted responses that were evaluated by a selection committee that considered team qualifications, experience, workload, and references. Five (5) firms were "shortlisted", interviewed, and ranked.

As the result of this process, the committee has selected the architectural firm of Grimm + Parker Architects, Inc. (G+P) to provide the services required to successfully complete feasibility study services at the new Combination John Archer and Elementary School. G+P has successfully performed professional architectural / engineering services for HCPS and is familiar with the HCPS facilities, mechanical systems, design standards and has successfully completed a few feasibility studies.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve a contract for the above-described professional feasibility study services for the new Combination John Archer and Elementary School in the amount of \$214,690.00 to Grimm + Parker Architects, Inc.