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Senior Center Heater Replacement Project - New Hanover CDBG 2018

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Mon, Dec 16, 2019 at 10:35 AM

To: "Hiros, Jennifer" <jhiros@co.burlington.nj.us>

Cc: Adel Gianaris <clerk@newhanoverwp.com>

Hi Jennifer,

The Township of New Hanover took bids for the Senior Center Heater Replacement Project last Friday with the intent of awarding and completing construction in 2019 as we previously discussed. Unfortunately, we only received one bid out of the 4 contractors who picked up the bid documents. Their bid was \$94,000; significantly over the remaining grant funding as well as my estimate. The Township has to reject the bid.

We could rebid the project and hopefully obtain a price that is reasonable on the next try, but there is no way to make that happen by years' end. We also fear that the Contractor's who are able to prepare public bid submission are going to make this a very large, complicated, project, where it is not necessary.

We had two local Contractor who submitted estimates for the project, not realizing they had to complete all of the bid documents, one of which is the company that performs the current service at the site. Both Contractors indicated they were unable to successfully complete the bid documents. I attached both quotes so you can see that this project can be completed for significantly less cost and expeditiously, if we were able to obtain competitive quotes for the project. I am not sure if this is permissible; we can write the request for quotes to include the requirements of your office, basically the same as the specifications. Wage rates, insurances and registrations would all still apply. We could also complete the project asap this way. Is that something that would be allowed?

Please let me know your opinion on how you think we should proceed so that we may complete the project and the grant asap. Thanks.

Joseph R. Hirsh, PE, CME, CPWM

Project Manager / Partner



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To: Joe Hirsh <jhirsh@erinj.com>

Cc: Adel Gianaris <clerk@newhanoverwp.com>, "Horner, Linda" <lhorner@co.burlington.nj.us>

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Your process will not meet HUD's standards. At this time, this project will no longer be viable. The Office of Community Development and Housing will consider this component closed. New Hanover may re-apply for this project in 2021. If you would like to discuss this further please call me at 609-265-5072.

Jennifer L Hiros, CPM

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Please forward a copy of the cancelled check to Earle Construction in the total amount of \$36,613 so that the purchase order for the barrier removal can be paid. Thank you.

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