RESOLUTION 20-26 – AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DELAWARE RIVER AND BAY AUTHORITY AND WSP USA, INC. TO PROVIDE GENERAL ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DELAWARE MEMORIAL BRIDGE, FIRST AND SECOND STRUCTURES

WHEREAS, The Delaware River and Bay Authority (the "Authority) is a bi-state Authority of the State of Delaware and the State of New Jersey created by Compact, which operates and maintains the Delaware Memorial Bridge and the adjoining infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Authority seeks to engage two (2) qualified engineering firms who will each provide professional "on-call" general engineering consulting ("GEC") services for the Delaware Memorial Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Authority publicly advertised and issued a Request for Proposals for the GEC services in compliance with Resolution 98-31, as amended, which governs the Authority's procedures for its procurement of professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received seven (7) proposals pursuant to the aforementioned public Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, a Selection Committee evaluated all proposals received and selected the four (4) highest-ranked proposals for further consideration and conducted interviews with those firms; and

WHEREAS, WSP USA, INC. was designated as one of the two the highest-ranking firms following final evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the Authority conducted an analysis of the Fee Schedule proposed by WSP USA, INC., and, following negotiations, determined the maximum rates and fees to be fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to enter into a Services Agreement ("Agreement") with WSP USA, INC. to provide "on-call" GEC and inspection services for the Delaware Memorial Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement shall have a base term of four (4) years, with the Authority to have the option to extend the Agreement for an additional period of two (2) years, such extension period to be authorized by the Projects Committee along with the consent of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Projects Committee reviewed this recommendation and concurs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to finalize the terms and conditions of a Service Agreement with WSP USA, INC. to provide such GEC services to the Authority and to have such Agreement, with the advice and consent of Counsel, executed by the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Executive Director.

## **Resolution 20-26 Executive Summary Sheet**

**Resolution:** Authorizes an agreement between the Authority and WSP USA, INC. to

provide professional general engineering consulting ("GEC") services for

the Delaware Memorial Bridge, First and Second Structures

**Committee:** Projects Committee

Committee/

**Board Date:** September 15, 2020

## **Purpose of Resolution:**

To authorize an agreement with WSP USA, INC. to provide professional "on-call" general engineering consulting ("GEC") services for the Delaware Memorial Bridge, First and Second Structures.

## **Background for Resolution:**

The proposed Resolution meets the requirements of Resolution 98-31, as amended, which governs the procedure for the procurement of professional services.

The Authority evaluated proposals submitted by the following seven (7) firms:

AECOM Technical Services Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. HNTB Corporation Stantec T.Y. Lin International Thornton Tomasetti WSP USA, Inc.

The Selection Committee conducted interviews with the four (4) highest-ranked proposals/proposers and afterward utilized the published final evaluation criteria to establish a final ranked list of firms, with WSP USA, INC., being identified as one of the two highest-ranked firms. The Authority then analyzed the fees proposed and, following negotiations, determined the maximum rates and fees to be fair and reasonable. The price/cost of each work order/task assigned to the consultant will be negotiated at the individual work order/task assignment-level and compensation shall not exceed the maximum fees included in the Service Agreement.