

**RESOLUTION 2024-207**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING THE BID AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY INFORMATION SHARING TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITY PROJECT TO MILLENNIUM COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the “Township”) have determined that its residents and members of the public would benefit from a fiber optic loop system in and around the Township as part of its infrastructure and Municipal facilities (the “Public Safety Information Sharing Technology Community Project” or the “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township received \$809,000 from a Community Oriented Policing Services grant and needs to hire an outside contractor to design and construct such system, which is anticipated to exceed the bid threshold requiring the Township to conduct public bidding for the Project in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township adopted Resolution No. 2023-199 on October 24, 2023 authorizing the Township to advertise for bids for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township received one (1) bid from Millennium Communications Group, Inc. on December 19, 2023 which exceeded John Ruschke’s, PE (the “Township Engineer”), of Mott MacDonald, estimates for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer recommended the rejection of the bid received on December 19, 2023 as it exceeded the Project estimate and on January 23, 2024, the Mayor and Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-52, rejecting the bids received on December 19, 2023 and authorizing the Township to re-bid for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the rebid; on March 14, 2024, the Township received two (2) bids, from Kane Communications in the total bid amount of \$1,556,405.00, and Millennium Communications Group, Inc. in the total bid amount of \$1,327,707.41; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer recommended the rejection of the bids received on March 14, 2024 and on April 23, 2024, the Mayor and Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-112, rejecting the bids received on March 14, 2024 and authorizing the Township to re-bid for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the rebid, on September 26, 2024, the Township received three (3) bids, from Millennium Communications Group, Inc. (“Millennium”) in the total bid amount of \$795,872.19; Adesta LLC in the total bid amount of \$874,366.85; and Kane Communications in the total bid amount of \$1,403,330; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer recommends awarding the contract for the Project to Millennium as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the total amount of \$795,872.19 (the “Contract Amount”), which is consistent with the engineering cost estimates for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for the Contract Amount; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township desires to adopt this Resolution authorizing the award of the contract for the Project to Millennium.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
2. The contract for the Project is hereby awarded to Millennium located in East Hanover, New Jersey, in the amount of Seven Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$795,872.19). The Mayor, Township Administrator, Township Clerk and all other necessary Township personnel, are hereby directed and authorized to enter into a contract with Millennium for the Project, and to in all other ways carry out and effectuate the purposes thereof.
3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Adopted: October 22, 2024

Attest:

  
Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN  
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

By   
Stacey Ewald, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

I hereby certify that as of October 22, 2024, sufficient funds are available in account G-01-60-054-023 to carry out the purpose of this Resolution.

  
Debra A. King  
Chief Financial Officer