

RESOLUTION 2024-222

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REJECTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING A RE-BID FOR THE LAFAYETTE AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING

WHEREAS, the Township of Chatham (the “Township”) was awarded a Safe Routes to School Grant to provide for the installation of a sidewalk on Lafayette Avenue (New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) Job No. 6805302; and Federal Project No. HSP-7937 (101) CON) (the “Sidewalk Project”); and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2023, the Township Committee of the Township adopted Resolution No. 2023-077 authorizing the Township to solicit bids for the Sidewalk Project in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. (the “LPCL”); and

WHEREAS, the Township received four (4) bids for the Sidewalk Project, all of which omitted the correct Federal Highway Administration forms, and therefore, all four (4) bidders were not qualified as a responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommended the rejection of the four (4) bids received for the Sidewalk Project; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2023, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2023-169 rejecting the bids and authorizing a notice to re-bid for the Sidewalk Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township received one (1) bid on November 9, 2023, from Diamond Construction in the total amount of \$761,839.00 for the Sidewalk Project; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2024, the Township Committee adopted Resolution No. 2024-114 rejecting the bids and authorizing a notice to re-bid for the Sidewalk Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township received two (2) bid on June 27, 2024, from Diamond Construction in the total amount of \$623,914.00 and from Your Way Construction Inc. in the total amount of \$386,957.25 for the Sidewalk Project; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 23, 2024, the Township Engineer recommends the rejection of the bids received from Diamond Construction and Your Way Construction Inc. on June 27, 2027 as the documents submitted by the apparent low bidder are not adequate to satisfy the grant requirements and insufficient funds are available to award the project; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to again solicit bids for the Sidewalk Project in accordance with the LPCL.

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 Township Committee hereby rejects the bids received for the Sidewalk Project as the documents submitted by the apparent low bidder are not adequate to satisfy the grant requirements and insufficient funds are available to award the project.
2. The Township Committee hereby authorizes the Township's Qualified Purchasing Agent, in consultation with the Township Engineer and under the direction of the Township Administrator, to prepare the necessary bid specifications for the Sidewalk Project and advertise same upon approval of the documents by the Department of Transportation, and in accordance with the LPCL.
3. The Township Committee hereby further authorizes the Municipal Clerk, once the bid specifications have been prepared, to advertise soliciting bids for the Sidewalk Project.
4. The Township Clerk shall send a copy of this Resolution to the rejected bidders.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

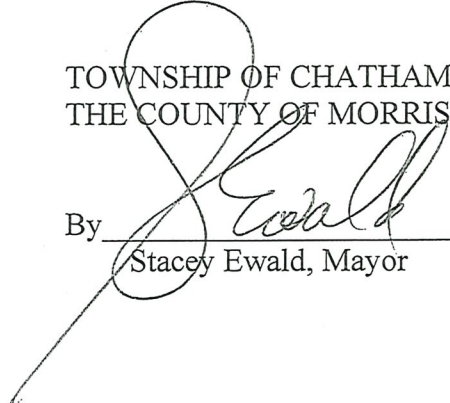
Adopted: November 12, 2024

Attest:



Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

By 

Stacey Ewald, Mayor