



Tompkins County Legislature

Governor Daniel D. Tompkins Building
Ithaca, NY 14850

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Department: Highway Department
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RESOLUTION NO. DOC ID: 7031

1 **Authorization to Execute a Contract with Fisher Associates, P.E.,**
2 **L.S., L.A., D.P.C., for Design Services - Ludlowville Road (CR 159)**
3 **Bridge Replacement Project (PIN 3756.18), Town of Lansing**

4 WHEREAS, the State of New York has included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (the STIP)
5 a project whereby Federal sources will furnish 80% and State sources will furnish 15% of funding necessary for the
6 reconstruction of Ludlowville Road Bridge (BIN 3314350) located on Ludlowville Road (CR 159) in the Town of
7 Lansing, and
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9 WHEREAS, the project has been evaluated by the Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council to assure
10 consistency with the community goals and objectives established in its Long-Range Plan, and

11 WHEREAS, the Tompkins County Highway Department employed a consultant selection process in
12 compliance with federal and state requirements called the “Locally Driven Selection Arrangement” (LDSA), and

13 WHEREAS, Highway Department staff interviewed the five (5) most qualified consultants selected through
14 said LDSA process, and
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16 WHEREAS, the County Highway Director has recommended Fisher Associates as best qualified to provide
17 design and right-of-way support services for the project and New York State Department of Transportation
18 (NYSDOT) has approved this selection, now therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Facilities and Infrastructure Committee, That the County
20 Administrator or his designee be and hereby is authorized to execute a contract with Fisher Associates, P.E., L.S.,
21 L.A., D.P.C., of 135 Calkins Road, Suite A, Rochester, New York, for design and right-of-way services in connection
22 with the referenced project for an amount not to exceed \$169,000,
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24 RESOLVED, further, That the County Administrator or his designee be and here is authorized to execute
25 supplemental agreements on behalf of the County with cumulative value not to exceed 10% of the aforementioned
26 contract amount, funds to be provided from the Ludlowville Bridge Capital Project Account (account
27 HZ5326.59239.53.26).

28 **SEQR ACTION: TYPE II- 21**



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Memorandum

To: Facilities and Infrastructure Committee
From: Jeffrey Smith, Highway Director
Date: May 1, 2017
Subject: “Authorization to Execute a Contract with Fisher Associates, P.E., L.S., L.A., D.P.C., for Design Services - Ludlowville Road (CR 159) Bridge Replacement Project (PIN 3756.18), Town of Lansing”

A resolution is being submitted to the Facilities & Infrastructure Committee for review and approval. This resolution will require approval by the Legislature, also. The following is information pertinent to the resolution.

1. Action requested:

Committee authorization is required for the County to execute a contract for design and right-of-way services for the subject federally funded bridge replacement project in the Town of Lansing.

2. Background:

This project was added to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in 2015 for design in 2017-18. Thirteen of fifteen consultants on a pre-qualified list (LDSA) for work on federally funded projects in Tompkins County submitted expressions of interest in performing this work. (The LDSA process selects firms based on qualifications and reduces County staff effort otherwise required to choose consultants for federal aid projects.) Of those 13, five were selected as most qualified and invited to make selection presentations. These firms were:

- CHA Consulting (Buffalo)
- C&S Engineers (Syracuse)
- Fisher Associates (Rochester)
- LaBella Associates (Syracuse), and
- Stantec Consulting (Rochester)

This resolution authorizes a contract with Fisher Associates to design the project. Highway staff was impressed by Fisher’s general qualifications and previous experience with this type of project and their familiarity with Tompkins County. While not previously providing bridge design services for Tompkins County, Fisher has provided highway design on a number of federal-aid projects in the County and on the Ellis Hollow Road capital project.

3. Financial Implications:

Fisher’s proposed fee for all design and right-of-way work is \$169,000. This is within the total statewide project budget and the County’s Capital Budget.

The federal share of design and right-of-way is budgeted at 80% of \$169,000, or \$135,200. The Marchiselli share is budgeted at 15%, or \$25,350. The County share would be 5%, or \$8,450. The County is responsible for initially paying all costs and then applying for reimbursements.

Federal and State (Marchiselli) funds totaling \$84,550 are now obligated for preliminary project phases. An additional \$76,000 of federal and Marchiselli funds is budgeted for the 2018 federal fiscal year. These added funds are subject to future federal and state budget approvals.