Resolution	#

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BRUNSWICK AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT BID22011 TO HALECON, INC. FOR THE NORTH BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY PARK TRAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, approximately 20-years ago, the Township acquired approximately 100 acres of undeveloped land along Route 130S, Block 148, Lot 103, known today as North Brunswick Community Park; and

WHEREAS, since becoming municipal property, the site has been developed as a park, which includes a 2.2-mile *gravel* walking trail that loops the perimeter; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Township received \$500,000.00 in Special Project Funding from Assemblyman Joe Danielsen's Office towards paving a section of the trail, to serve the greater community population, making it Stroller and Wheelchair Friendly; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2022, the Township engaged municipal engineering firm CME Associates to provide design through bid phase services associated with the North Brunswick Community Park Trail Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2022, the Township Council approved Resolution 234-8.22 authorizing advertisement for receipt of bids for the North Brunswick Community Park Trail Improvements Project, BID22011; and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2022, the Municipal Clerk witnessed the receipt of four bids and the lowest qualifying bid was submitted by Halecon Inc. (with a business location at 136 Billian Street, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807) with a base bid of \$632,221.14 for Items 1 through 41, exclusive of Alternate Item A for Path B Alignment in the amount of \$71,606.74; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, Engineers for this project, the Purchasing Agent and Legal Counsel have reviewed the qualifications and bid submitted by Halecon Inc. and determined them responsive under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

WHEREAS, a recommendation is made to award the base bid without Alternate Item A; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid submitted by Halecon Inc. is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute and Township Clerk to witness an agreement with Halecon Inc. for the North Brunswick Community Park Trail Improvements Project, Contract BID22011, in the amount of \$632,221.14 for Items 1 through 41, which is exclusive of Alternate Item A in the amount of \$71,606.74 for path B Alignment.

CERTIFICATION

I,	Cavel Gallimore,	Chief Financial	Officer of the	e Township	of North Brui	nswick, certify	that funds
ir	the following acc	counts totaling \$6	632,221.14 ar	e available u	nder Contract	BID22011:	

\$ 35,412.51 are available in Capital Ordinance 20-17 account C-04-55-C20-210-401,

\$ 96,808.63 are available in Capital Ordinance 21-13 account C-04-55-C21-220-401,

\$500,000.00 are available in Grant Funding account G-02-22-100-000-003.

Cavel Gallimore Chief Financial Officer	Eric Chaszar Director of Public Works		
Justine Progebin	Ronald Gordon, Esq.		
Business Administrator	Township Attorney		
	Approved as to legal form		

RECORDED VOTE:

Township Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	NOTES
MEHTA				
HUTCHINSON				
GUADAGNINO				
ANDREWS				
SOCIO				
DAVIS				
MAYOR WOMACK				

hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Council	of the
Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on August 1, 2022.	
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September 2, 2022

Ms. Justine Progebin
Business Administrator
Township of North Brunswick
710 Hermann Road
North Brunswick, NJ 08902

Community Park Path Improvements

Contract No. 22-011

Township of North Brunswick Our File No.: PNO00234.01

Dear Ms. Progebin,

Re:

On August 24, 2022 four (4) bids were received for the Community Park Path Improvements as indicated on the attached summary of bids.

The apparent low bid was submitted by Halecon, Inc. of Bridgewater, New Jersey with a base bid of \$632,221.14 for items 1 through 41 inclusive, which is \$61,568.36 under the price bid by the second lowest bidder. The second lowest bid was submitted by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC. of Old Bridge, New Jersey with a base bid of \$693,789.50 for items 1 through 41 inclusive.

There were no irregularities noted in the apparent low bid submitted by Halecon, Inc.; however, it should be noted that Halecon, Inc. included penny bids for twelve (12) of the fourty one (41) bid items.

As you know, the funding for this Project is limited and accordingly, the bids also contained an Alternate Item for Path B Alignment. The alternate bid submitted by Halecon, Inc. was \$71,606.74.

It is our understanding that there is sufficient funding to award this Project for the Base Bid only. Accordingly, we recommend award of the Project to Halecon, Inc. for the total Base Bid amount of \$632,221.14 for items 1 through 41 inclusive subject to certification of funds by the Township's Chief Financial Officer, review and approval by the Township Attorney including verification that the bonding and surety company is licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey and appears in the current list of "Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds", by the U.S. Treasury Department, verification that the Contractor has sealed the bid with his corporate seal where appropriate, and the submission of the required performance bonds and insurance certificates for the project.



Ms. Justine Progebin
Township of North Brunswick
Re: Community Park Path Improvements

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Any award of the Project should be further subject to the Contractor Halecon, Inc. submitting a certification indicating that the work required under item nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 15, 17, 18, 19, 22, and 33 will be provided at the prices bid, if and where ordered by the Township.

Original bid packages submitted by the four (4) bidders will be forwarded to the Township Attorney for his review.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

CME Associates

Louis Ploskonka, PE Township Engineer's Office

LP/PB/TA Enclosures

CC:

Mayor & Township Council Ronald Gordon, Esq.

Lisa Russo, Township Clerk

