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CORRECTIONAL CONSULTANT SELECTION PROCESS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

A request for proposal for consulting services for the correctional facility review study was approved by the Correctional Facility Review Committee and sent to 27 potential consultants on June 18, 2007. The request for proposal was based on Section 10 of 2007 House Bill No. 1015, which provided that the study include a comprehensive review of the current State Penitentiary facility and the Missouri River Correctional Center and the development of three correctional facility concepts:

1. Construction of a new correctional facility on the existing State Penitentiary site;
2. Construction of a new correctional facility at a site other than the State Penitentiary site; and
3. Remodeling of the existing State Penitentiary facility.

PROPOSALS RECEIVED

The request for proposal provided that selection of the consultant was to be made by the Correctional Facility Review Committee, subject to Legislative Council approval. Proposals were to be submitted to the Legislative Council office by August 3, 2007. The Legislative Council staff received proposals from seven companies (with the cost of each proposal):

1. Syscon Justice Systems, Folsom, California (\$283,702).
2. The Durrant Group, Denver, Colorado (\$250,000).
3. Foss Architecture and Interiors, Fargo, North Dakota (\$250,000).
4. KMD Justice, San Francisco, California (\$285,000).
5. Criminal Justice Institute, Inc., Middletown, Connecticut (\$248,869).
6. EAPC, Bismarck, North Dakota (\$250,000).
7. HDR Architecture, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, in association with Ritterbush-Ellig-Hulsing, PC, Bismarck, North Dakota (\$236,000).

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The Correctional Facility Review Committee, based on presentations from all seven companies at its August 21, 2007, meeting, selected the following three companies **in priority order**, subject to reference checks:

1. **Criminal Justice Institute, Inc.** Criminal Justice Institute, Inc., is a private not-for-profit, national correctional planning, programming, research, and evaluation firm based in Middletown, Connecticut. Team members include DMJM, a prison architectural firm from Orange, California; The Louis Berger Group, a site evaluation firm from Florham Park, New Jersey; and Parametrix, Inc., a cost estimating firm from Sumner, Washington.
2. **HDR Architecture, Inc.**, in association with Ritterbush-Ellig-Hulsing (REH), PC. HDR is an architecture and engineering firm based in Chicago, Illinois. REH is a multidisciplined architectural firm based in Bismarck. Team members include Carter Goble Lee, a correctional facility consulting firm from Columbia, South Carolina; Parsons Commercial Technology Group, a construction management and cost estimating firm from Minneapolis, Minnesota; Swenson Hagen & Company, a civil engineering and land surveying firm from Bismarck; Prairie Engineering, an electrical and mechanical engineering firm from Bismarck; Ulteig Engineers, Inc., from Bismarck; and Midwest Testing Laboratory, a geotechnical engineering firm from Bismarck.
3. **KMD Justice.** KMD is a criminal justice facility design firm from San Francisco, California. The KMD team includes Fuller, Coe & Associates, a master planning firm from Sacramento, California.

All companies received positive references except KMD Justice which received negative comments from two references. One reference said it would not use KMD for full design work. One reference said KMD did not provide design services in a timely manner and did not provide adequate construction support.

SUMMARY

The Correctional Facility Review Committee recommends as its first priority, Criminal Justice Institute, Inc., to provide the consulting services for the committee, subject to Legislative Council approval.