## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY County of Camden, State of New Jersey #R 123 - 2022

## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR POLE BARN PROJECT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(B) AND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF THE CONTRACT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(3) County of Camden, State of New Jersey

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City ("City") advertised for public bids for the Pole Barn project; and

WHEREAS, no bids were received on the first occasion and, thereafter, the City readvertised for public bids for the Pole Barn project; and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received for the Pole Barn project as follows:

VENDOR	BASE BID AMOUNT
1. Dutchman Contracting, LLC.	\$176,631.00
2. W.J. Gross, Inc.	\$243,360.00
Budgeted Amount:	\$100,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bidder was Dutchman Contracting, LLC ("Dutchman") with a base bid amount of \$176,631.00; and

WHEREAS, the City's pre-determined cost appropriation for this project was \$100,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor has rendered an opinion that the low bid submitted for the Pole Barn project may be rejected in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, specifically, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(b), which provides the statutory authority to reject all bids when the lowest bid substantially exceeds the appropriation for the goods or services; and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor further opined that as bids have been advertised for once with no bids received, and have been rejected on a second occasion as they were found to be not reasonable as to price, on the basis of cost estimates prepared by the City prior to the advertising therefor, the City may negotiate the contract pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(3); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City concur with the above recommendation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. The bids received for the Pole Barn Project are hereby rejected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(b) as the lowest bid substantially exceeds the appropriation for the goods or services.
- 3. The City is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to negotiate the contract pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(3).

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor

Passed by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 26th day of May, 2022.

Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk