

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 90

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE REAL PROPERTY DATA COLLECTION AND VERIFICATION SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASSESSMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

WHEREAS, in 2013, Monmouth County was chosen to participate in the New Jersey “Assessment Demonstration Program” which is intended to provide a more cost effective and accurate process for property assessments, including the annual adjustment of assessments to reflect changes in the market; and

WHEREAS, part of the “Assessment Demonstration Program”, municipalities are required to perform an exterior and interior inspection of all properties over a 5-year inspection cycle in an effort to increase the accuracy of annual assessments; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to address the requirements of the “Assessment Demonstration Program” municipalities must hire an outside vendor to perform the interior and exterior inspections annually over a five-year period; and

WHEREAS, within a five-year period all properties will have both exterior and interior inspections performed for the purpose of gathering property data to be used by the Assessor to accurately ascertain the market value of those properties.

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2019, the Township of Aberdeen advertised for the receipt of Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for this project; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2019, the Requests for Proposals were received without an open public announcement being made; and

WHEREAS, in or around April of 2019, the Township Assessor conferred with the Township Counsel wherein a recommendation was made to resolicit services pursuant N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 in order to avoid potentially being in violation of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, proposals were received on May 15, 2019 from two (2) proposers; and

WHEREAS, allegations of impropriety in the RFP process were received by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA40A:11-1, et seq., authorizes a contracting unit to reject all bids or proposals where the Governing Body decides to abandon the project for the provision or performance of goods or services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 18th day of July, 2019, that the Township Council of the Township of Aberdeen does hereby authorize the rejection of all proposals for Real Property Data Collection and Verification Services for calendar year 2019.