

From the Director of Audits, a memo Annual Countywide Audit Services 2020-2025, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution (File No. 01-686, Journal of Proceedings, December 20, 2001) approving a policy of seeking new proposals every five years from auditing firms for the annual audit of Milwaukee County (the County); and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals (RFP) for annual County-wide audit services was issued on August 31, 2020, which includes services covering the five year period of 2020-2024, plus a one-year renewal option, at the County’s discretion; and

WHEREAS, in addition to posting notification of the RFP on the County Procurement Division website, direct notification was made to several firms, including 22 certified targeted business enterprise (TBE) firms, as provided by the Community Business Development Partners Division; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation panel concluded that the firm of Baker Tilly US, LLP (Baker Tilly), had the highest score among the five firms submitting proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Baker Tilly proposal includes an aggregate not-to-exceed fee quote of \$2,270,391, to perform annual County-wide audit services involving the years 2020-2025; and

WHEREAS, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP, committed to 34 percent participation (at the subcontracting level), by a TBE firm as part of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 10, 2020, recommended adoption of File No. 20-883 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County (the County) Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Director of Audits, Audit Services Division, Office of the Comptroller, to execute an agreement with Baker Tilly US, LLP (Baker Tilly), for annual County-wide audit services, covering the five-year period 2020 – 2024, with the option to renew for an additional one-year at the County’s discretion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the fee to be charged in 2021, the first year of the five-year contract, will involve County-wide audit services covering the year ending December 31, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2021 fee shall not exceed \$350,475, and shall be paid from appropriations in the 2021 Adopted Budget; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract, among other standard provisions, shall include a Targeted Business Enterprise goal of 34 percent, as committed to by the firm of Baker Tilly, for the purpose stated in this resolution.

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