

(ITEM ) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting authorization to enter into a multiple-year Professional Services Contract with Collins Engineers, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$201,525.12 for 2015-2016 Milwaukee County bridge inspections, traffic signal mast arm inspections, and related program management services, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, per Section 59.60(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes, approval of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors is needed to enter into a Professional Services Contract when entering into the contract will require funding from a future budget that has not yet been adopted; and

WHEREAS, the National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS) were created in 1971 based upon the 1968 Federal Aid Highway Act and require that all bridges on public roads be inspected at regular intervals not to exceed 24 months; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Bridge Inspection Program is federally mandated and is based upon the NBIS; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Wisconsin Bridge Inspection Program, the County Highway Commissioner has the delegated responsibility for the organizational management of the structure inspections and reporting for all bridges on the County Highway System as well as the bridges on the various Town, Village, and City road and street systems within the County; and

WHEREAS, the necessary qualifications to act as the County Inspection Program Manager include registration as a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Wisconsin and completion of the National Highway Institute 80 hour In-Service Bridge course; and

WHEREAS, a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process was completed for Bridge Inspection Services and three companies submitted proposals from which the RFP committee unanimously recommended Collins Engineers, Inc., as the County's Bridge Inspection Program Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its meeting of January 21, 2015, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 7-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of January 29, 2015, also recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

47           BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby  
48 authorizes the Director of the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation to enter  
49 into a Professional Services Contract covering the years 2015 and 2016 with Collins  
50 Engineers, Inc., for bridge inspections, traffic signal mast arm inspections, and related  
51 program management services in an amount not to exceed \$201,525.12.

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