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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 2, 2021

TO: Cynthia Borrego, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

SUBJECT: ..title

Mayor's Recommendation of Architectural Consultants for BioPark Aquatics/Sharks Quarantine Facility

The Selection Advisory Committee corresponded via email on August 25, 2021 to consider the following project.

Project: Project No: 6353.90; Architectural Consultants for BioPark Aquatics/Sharks Quarantine Facility

Agency: Department of Municipal Development

Project Description: The City of Albuquerque BioPark works with numerous aquatic species and strives to maintain and continually improve upon the care and management of all collections. It is essential the aquatics have appropriate facilities to care and separate species as required by Association of Zoos & Aquariums. The BioPark would like to construct an approx. 7,000 sf building for use as an aquatics/shark quarantine facility. At this time, the BioPark has identified three potential sites for the proposed facility, however guidance on site selection is warranted, including utility study, traffic study, and required resources availability. The City of Albuquerque is seeking responses from qualified architects to perform basic services which include but are not limited to a site feasibility study, programming, schematic design and a construction estimate. Previous team experience in the design of zoo animal and aquatic exhibits and guest areas is required. Specific team design experience in environmental systems, life support systems and temperature control for zoo animals and both fresh water and salt water aquatic exhibits is required.

The Committee made the following recommendation:

NCA Architects has not had a design services contract with the City in the recent past except for Aviation and it is in the City's best interest to give them an opportunity to demonstrate their design experience in sectors other than Aviation.

NCA Architects

Approved as to Legal Form:

Esteban A. Aguilar, Jr. City Attorney	Date
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Recommended:

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Attachments:

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