

Board Meeting
May 17, 2007

ROLL CALL

EMPLOY ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS FOR FIRE ALARM/FIRE
PROTECTION/LIFE SAFETY, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Employment of Architects/Engineers for Fire Alarm/Fire Protection/Life Safety, Chicago

Funding: State Appropriated Funds, Institutional Funds Operating Budget, or Restricted Funds Operating Budget as Designated on a Project-by-Project Basis

During the course of a fiscal year, the Chicago campus has a number of small capital improvement projects that involve fire alarm/fire protection/life safety. The University has determined that it is in its best interest to retain the services of the architectural/engineering firms to be available to assist on these small projects.

The selection of the architects/engineers for these services was in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Public Act 87-673 (Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Qualifications-Based Selection Act).¹

¹A selection committee consisting of Richard Anderson (Environmental Health and Safety), Boyd Black (Office for Capital Programs), Waleed D'Keidek (Office for Capital Programs), John Hiltcher (Office for Capital Programs), Vy Milunas (Facilities Management), and Alvin Swearingin (Facilities Management) evaluated the following firms listed in ranking order: (1) Intelligent Systems Services, Inc., Bensenville, IL; (2) Schirmer Engineering Corporation, Deerfield, IL; and (3) Gage-Babcock & Associates, Inc., Oak Brook, IL. The committee recommends Intelligent Systems Services, Inc., Bensenville, IL, and Schirmer Engineering Corporation, Deerfield, IL, as best meeting the criteria for the project.

Accordingly, the Chancellor at Chicago with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that the following firms be employed as architects and engineers through professional services contracts at the Chicago campus for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Professional services will be on an as-needed basis. No individual project would exceed a \$1.0 million project budget or \$100,000 in fees. The University will have the option of extending the contracts for three additional one-year periods, subject to approval by the Vice President/Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller.

Fire Alarm/Fire Protection/Life Safety

- Intelligent Systems Services, Inc., Bensenville, IL
- Schirmer Engineering Corporation, Deerfield, IL

Funds for each project will vary and may include State appropriated, institutional, or restricted funds available in the campus operating budget. It is also recommended that the Vice President/Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller be authorized to approve work orders under these contracts.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.

The firms' hourly rates schedules have been filed with the Secretary of the Board for record.