

RESOLUTION
APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF
REDEVELOPMENT PLANNING CONSULTANT

- WHEREAS, on March 20, 2006, the Township Council approved a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (“RFQ/P”) to retain a planning consultant, to prepare a Redevelopment Plan for the 350 acre area surrounding the Princeton Junction/West Windsor Train Station, which had been previously designated as an “area in need of redevelopment” pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law (“LRHL”; *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.*); and
- WHEREAS, as of the May 30, 2006 deadline for the submission of responses to the RFQ/P, seventeen (17) separate detailed responses were received from planning consultant firms throughout the East Coast; and
- WHEREAS, ten (10) planning consulting firms were selected to be interviewed by a Search Committee, comprising members of the governing body, the Planning Board, and Administration and appointed advisors; and
- WHEREAS, after interviews of the remaining planning consultant firms on August 17 and 24, 2006, the Search Committee selected three planning consulting firms as finalists to provide a presentation in open session by which members of the public as well as the governing body and Planning Board could pose specific questions as to qualifications and the views of the consultants as to how they would proceed with the formulation of a Redevelopment Plan; and
- WHEREAS, on September 20, 25, and 27, 2006 respective public presentations were made by Street-Works, LLC, Michael Graves/Duany Plater-Zyberk and Company and Hillier Architecture as the finalists for the planning consultant assignment; and
- WHEREAS, on October 10, 2006, at a public meeting the Council received comments from the public about the selection of a planning consultant; and
- WHEREAS, on October 11, 2006 the Council held an executive session with the Planning Board and Search Committee in order to give input to the Mayor on negotiations strategy, personnel, and contractual matters related to the three planner consultant finalists and asked the Mayor to obtain further information from the finalists; and
- WHEREAS, the Mayor obtained detailed written responses from the finalists and met with them in separate meetings on October 25 and 26, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended the engagement of Hillier Architecture, 500 Alexander Park, Princeton, New Jersey 08543-6395 to serve as the Redevelopment Planning Consultant in accordance with that firm's response to the RFQ/P in an amount not to exceed \$330,000.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Windsor that it approves the engagement of Hillier Architecture as the Redevelopment Planning Consultant, subject to the following:

1. The approval by Council of a bond ordinance to provide the necessary funds to finance the engagement.
2. The presentation and approval of a resolution approving an agreement with the consultant, conforming with its response to the RFQ/P.

Adopted: November 6, 2006

I certify the above Resolution was adopted by the West Windsor Township Council at its meeting on the 6th day of November, 2006.

Sharon Young
Township Clerk
West Windsor Township