

**RESOLUTION G2024-43**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION G2021-66, RESOLUTION G2022-45 AND RESOLUTION G2023-27 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH LJB INC. FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PARAPET AND VANDAL FENCE FOR THE SNIDER ROAD AND HOPEWELL ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$73,000.00)**

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) replaced the bridge over Snider Road (2023) and will be replacing the bridge over I-275 at Hopewell Road (replacement due in June of 2024); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio have determined to upgrade the parapet design and vandal fencing for each of the bridges; and

**WHEREAS**, ODOT requires that each jurisdiction pay for those individual designs and construction upgrades from their baseline design and the list of firms must be from their approved lists; and

**WHEREAS**, the Administrator reached out to three (3) firms for bids and received three (3) bids to choose from in the Cincinnati area and nearby and recommends to the Board to use LJB Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Township Trustees have decided to hire an engineering firm to complete the necessary engineering design work required to satisfy the requirements of ODOT and to provide drawings for ODOT to use in their bidding process; and

**WHEREAS**, Sycamore Township did participate in the design/construction drawing process and did pay for half of the costs for the drawings/designs for the Snider Road bridge and reimbursed us our costs after the project was submitted to ODOT for final approval; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the costs of steel, neither township will be installing an enhanced vandal fence but have asked ODOT to consider allowing the townships to place their logos on the ODOT vandal fence which was permitted on Snider Road and will be again on Hopewell Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the current engineering agreement will be altered and increased by an additional \$28,000.00 to rework the logos and fencing for the Hopewell Bridge because the logo on the Snider bridge can't be seen very well.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio takes the following action:

**Section 1.** That the Township Administrator is authorized to sign an amended agreement or necessary paperwork with LJB Inc., 22710 Fairview Center Drive, Suite 200, Fairview Park, Ohio 44126 to provide engineering/design services for the Parapet and Vandal Fence for the Snider Road and Hopewell Road Bridge Replacement Projects, in the amount of Sixty-Eight Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$68,000.00).

**Section 2.** That the Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to expend funds to pay LJB Inc. from the TIF Fund (#2902) in the amount of Sixty-Eight Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$68,000.00).

**Section 3.** The Board of Trustees of Symmes Township upon majority vote does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

**Section 4.** It is hereby certified that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board and that all deliberations of the Board were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 5.** This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**ADOPTED APRIL 2, 2024 – RESOLUTION G2024-43**

Vote Record: MS. LEIS \_\_\_\_ MR. BRYANT \_\_\_\_ MR. BECK \_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

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**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Joseph C. Grossi, Fiscal Officer

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Jeff Forbes, Law Director