



Action Item # 5949/20
Docket Date: December 9, 2020

City of Newport
REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

To: Mayor Jeanne Marie Napolitano, and Members of the Council
From: Joseph J. Nicholson, Jr., Esq., City Manager
Date: November 27, 2020
Subject: Award of Contract- RFP#21-005 – Community Choice Aggregation
Staff Presentation: Patricia Reynolds, Planning and Economic Development, Director

RECOMMENDATION:

The recommendation is to award Good Energy, LP the development of the community aggregation plan and administration of the community aggregation program, as their proposal was most advantageous to the City.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

In accordance with Resolution #2020-58, the City Administration released a Request For Proposals (RFP) for a consultant to develop an electricity aggregation plan and administer a community choice aggregation program. The City of Newport posted the required RFP on August 18, 2020 through its e-procurement system. Responses were received on September 15, 2020. Two proposals were received and reviewed by an evaluation committee composed of a representative from the Planning Department, the Energy and Environment Commission, and the Planning Board.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Resolution #2020-58 dated July 8, 2020

FISCAL IMPACT

☐ Currently Budgeted (Acct # _____) ☐ Requires additional appropriation ☒ No Fiscal Impact

Good Energy, LP's fee will be paid by the City's electricity supplier, not the City of Newport.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Resolution
Proposal Evaluation
Corporate Information

Finance Dept. Review: _____ Date By: _____ (if applicable)

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R E S O L U T I O N

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WHEREAS: the City of Newport issued RFP #21-005 soliciting proposals develop a community aggregation plan and administer a community aggregation program; and

WHEREAS: two (2) proposals were received and evaluated in response to RFP #21-005; and

WHEREAS: award has been recommended to Good Energy, LP as the most responsive proposal, meeting all specifications in the proposal.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the City of Newport shall award the contract for RFP No. 21-005, to Good Energy, LP and the Mayor is authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City, subject to favorable review by the City Solicitor.

IN COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED

Laura C. Swistak
City Clerk

City of Newport
Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Consulting Services
RFQ# 21-005

Good Energy, L.P., Providence, RI

Trebel LLC, Mansfield, OH

RFQ Closed: September 15, 2020 @ 2:00PM

CCA Scoring Matrix	Reviewer 1		Reviewer 2		Reviewer 3	
	Good Energy	Trebel	Good Energy	Trebel	Good Energy	Trebel
Challenges	2	0	2	1	2	1
Personnel	1	0	1	1	2	1
Conservation	2	0	1	1	2	2
Scope	2	1	1	2	2	2
Outreach	1	0	1	0	1	2
Procurement	2	1	2	2	2	2
Total	10	2	8	7	11	10
Good Energy Total	29					
Trebel Total	19					

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RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNCIL
No.2020-58

- WHEREAS: The State of Rhode Island has authorized municipalities, pursuant to Chapter 3, Section 1.2 of Title 39 of the General Laws of Rhode Island (the "Act"), to aggregate the retail electric load in their communities through the development and operation of Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs; AND
- WHEREAS: this initiative aligns closely with Newport's Comprehensive Plan Goals EN-1 and EN-2, Policies ED-3.6, EN-1.2, EN-3.1, and EN-3.2, and Actions EN-1A, EN-1C, and EN-3B; AND
- WHEREAS: CCA programs offer the ability to provide cost stability and savings, both directly and through a more diverse and resilient energy system, and offers the advantages of joining with other municipalities and bargaining collectively with electric suppliers; AND
- WHEREAS: these savings can be invested to benefit program participants; AND
- WHEREAS: Newport's future faces an existential threat from climate change and sea-level rise; AND
- WHEREAS: the City of Newport is situated to benefit from working in conjunction with our sister communities, both from their experience and the potential of increasing our collective bulk purchasing power, AND
- WHEREAS: the City of Newport may review and consider the City of Providence's competitive bidding for CCA consulting services, including their Request for Proposals, responses received, and other information the City of Providence has made available; AND
- WHEREAS: other Rhode Island communities of Providence, Central Falls, South Kingstown and Barrington have enacted enabling resolutions and are in the process of developing and approving CCA programs; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: that the City Council requests the City Administration to work with the Energy and Environment Commission to develop a plan to aggregate the retail electric loads within the City through a CCA program in accordance with the Act, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: that the City Council requests the City Administration to work with the Energy and Environment Commission to seek outside consulting services as needed to assist the City in the creation and operation of an aggregation plan and CCA program, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: that the City Administration and the Energy and Environment Commission shall provide regular updates to the full City Council regarding the development and administration of the aggregation plan and CCA program, featuring a plan for public input and a public hearing before final approval.

SUSAN TAYLOR
ANGELA MCCALLA

IN COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED
JULY 8, 2020


LAURA C. SWISTAK
CITY CLERK

RFP#21-005

List the Officers of your Corporation or Principals of your LLC

Good Energy, L.P. By: Good Offices Technology Partners, its General Partner

Full Company Name

Maximilian Hoover

Name

Manager

Title/Officer/Position

Name

Title/Officer/Position

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