

## City of Gainesville

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## **Legislation Text**

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Ranking and Selection of Consultants to Design and Oversee the Construction of Fire Station #8 (B)

This item involves a request for the City Commission to accept staff's selection of a consultant to design and oversee the construction of fire station #8.

The Gainesville Fire Department received approval and funding to construct Fire Station #8. The approximately 9,000 sq. ft. (3) bay station will be located at 4127 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Street and will be constructed to meet the basic LEED standards. Request for Qualifications were made available with (7) firms responding. After reviewing the responses, the Evaluation Team invited (6) firms to make presentations; with (5) accepting, (3) were local companies. The firms were ranked in the following order:

- 1) Bentley Architects and Engineers, Inc.
- 2) Starmer Ranaldi Planning and Architecture, Inc.
- 3) Karl Thorne Associates, Inc.

Funds in the amount of 2.3 million dollars remain from the 2005 bond issue.

Recommended Motion: The City Commission: 1) accept the selection of the three most qualified consultants in order of ranking; 2) authorize the City Manager or his designee to initiate contract negotiations with Bentley Architects and Engineers, Inc. for Professional Design Services for Fire Station #8; and 3) authorize the City Manager, upon successful contract negotiations, to execute the contract and any related documents upon approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission reject the recommendations and redo the process to have (6) firms make presentations.

Alternative Recommendation B: The City Commission reject the recommendations and use another method to select the firm.