

# HARRISON ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

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Michael J. Amodeo, P.E., CFM  
Town Engineer



August 31, 2023

Mayor Richard Dionisio and  
Members of the Town Board  
Town of Harrison  
1 Heineman Place  
Harrison, New York 10528

E-14

**Re: New Harrison Recreation & Community Center Project - Phase 1  
Site Work and Foundation**

Dear Mayor Dionisio and Members of the Town Board:

Town Board authorization is requested to award **Laura Li Industries the Harrison Recreation & Community Center Phase 1 Project** which includes construction of the building's foundation and site work, based on their bid of \$3,333,333.00.

Seven bids were received for the project, ranging over \$2 million in price, from \$3,333,333.00 to \$5,363,587.67.

Funding for this contract is available in Capital Account #17RE15.

Authorization for contingency funding in the amount of 20% of the bid value is also requested to be made available. This would allow for the project to maintain progress through potential additional work if unforeseen circumstances arise.

Further, authorization is requested for the Purchasing Department to issue a Purchase Order payable to Laura Li Industries at an amount of \$3,333,333.00; with the ability to increase up to \$4,000,000.00 as needed; and for the Law Department to review and finalize the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael J. Amodeo, PE, CFM  
Town Engineer

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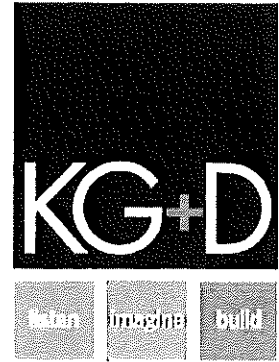
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August 30, 2023

Via e-mail – [mamodeo@harrison-ny.gov](mailto:mamodeo@harrison-ny.gov)

Town / Village of Harrison  
One Heineman Place  
Harrison, NY 10528

Attn: Michael Amodeo, Town / Village Engineer  
Re: New Recreation Center – Phase One Contract Award Recommendation



Greetings:

We are writing to provide our recommendation for award of the phase one contracts for the New Recreation Center. On August 17, 2023 bids were opened from 7 contractors and ranged from \$3.3 to \$5.3 Million. All of the bids were from known and qualified contractors and were below the estimate and quite reasonable. The project was estimated as a single phase by an independent estimator in June of 2022. We referred to this estimate to approximate the work now in phase one and arrived at a value of \$6.3 Million. This estimate may be high due to the final scope of phase one being adjusted. While this phase seems to be well below budget, given the overall construction market trends, we project that this savings will be needed for phase two.

We met with the two lowest bidders on August 22<sup>nd</sup> to review the scope of the project and their bids and both appeared to have assembled complete proposals and thoroughly understood the project. After reviewing the schedule of values for the lowest bidder, Laura Li Industries, we had some concerns about the pricing and qualifications of their proposed subcontractor for drilling the wells for the geothermal system. We scheduled a separate meeting with Laura Li and their subcontractor which occurred earlier today to review the project. The results of that meeting were also satisfactory. Laura Li Industries is a local, family-run business with a long track record and both our office and Harrison have had positive experiences with them and their predecessor company.

So we see no reason for the Town to not award the contract for phase one construction to the low bidder Laura Li Industries of Purchase, NY in the amount of \$3,333,333.00. The Owners of Laura Li are excited to do this project and are ready to start. We also recommend that the Town authorize funding a contingency for additional required work during this phase of 20% of the bid value or approximately \$670,000. This will be used only with the approval of your office after negotiating a fair and competitive price for the additional work due to unforeseen conditions and other occurrences that need to be completed to move the project forward. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely:  
KG+D Architects, PC

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Russell A. Davidson, FAIA – President

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