

Resolution 1499

WHEREAS, the property located at 1218 Center Street, Bethlehem, PA has sustained significant structural damage due to a deterioration of the property's north wall; and

WHEREAS, the wall deteriorated to such an extent that the property has become a safety hazard and declared unfit for occupancy; and

WHEREAS, the property is currently vacant and the wall requires extensive reconstruction to restore it to a safe condition; and

WHEREAS, an emergency situation exists and to prevent possible collapse of the structure, stabilization work on the wall is required, now; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem (RDA) has been requested by the City of Bethlehem (City) to help remedy the situation utilizing blight remediation funding, provided to the RDA by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the RDA agreed to enter into an agreement with Coopersburg Construction Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the RDA has been granted permission to do the work via agreement between the property owner and the RDA; and

WHEREAS, additional work, beyond the contracted work with Coopersburg Construction Corporation, will be required to reconstruct the wall and make the property acceptable for occupancy; and

WHEREAS, the RDA solicited a proposal from Base Engineering, Inc. (Base), for professional design services as well as assistance during the bid stage of the project, including the development of bid documents and other bid services; and

WHEREAS, Base will also provide construction administration services which would include site visits during construction to determine design and bid compliance and to review all requests for payment by the contractor or contractors performing repair work on the property; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposal and full scope of services from Base is appended to this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the RDA that the proposal from Base Engineering is accepted and the work as detailed is authorized to proceed, the cost of which will not exceed, **Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$9,700)** as detailed in the proposal.