

RESOLUTION 18-25

To Authorize the Execution of a Contract for Landlord and Tenant Legal Services for the District of Columbia Housing Authority

Summary

District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) requires a qualified firm to administer legal advice and opinions for prosecution of DCHA’s landlord and tenant legal cases.

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for legal services for landlord and tenant cases with Musolino & Dessel, PLLC, for a period of three (3) years, in the aggregate amount of One Million Three Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,397,400.00), subject to the availability of funding.

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TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR LANDLORD AND TENANT LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) requires legal services for landlord and tenant cases;

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2018, DCHA advertised a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) in *The Washington Post*, *Afro American*, *The Current Newspaper*, *The Washington Informer*, *Hill Rag*, *El Tiempo Latino* and *East of the River*. Copies were emailed to all District Government Certified Business Entity members and all District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development (“DHCD”) Section 3 vendors;

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2018, Solicitation No. 0027-2018 Landlord and Tenant Legal Services was issued to the Department of Small and Local Business Development, bidders interested in doing business with DCHA and posted to the DCHA Website;

WHEREAS, by July 25, 2018, DCHA received three (3) proposals for evaluation;

WHEREAS, the solicitation stated that DCHA would make an award to the company that was deemed technically qualified in accordance with the solicitation requirements for legal services for landlord and tenant cases and in the best interest of DCHA;

WHEREAS, based on the proposal and the results of the evaluation process, DCHA determined that Musolino & Dessel, PLLC has met the technical requirements of the RFP as a qualified firm capable of providing the required legal services for landlord and tenant cases for DCHA; and

WHEREAS, DCHA performed a review of the Federal Systems Award Management and the District’s Excluded Parties List on September 4, 2018, and has determined that Musolino & Dessel, PLLC does not appear on that list.

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TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A
CONTRACT FOR LANDLORD AND
TENANT LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of District of Columbia Housing Authority hereby authorizes the Executive Director to execute a contract with Musolino & Dessel, PLLC to provide Landlord and Tenant Legal Services for the District of Columbia Housing Authority, for a period of three (3) years, in the aggregate amount of One Million Three Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,397,400.00), in applicable annual amounts: year #1 - \$425,000.00; year #2 - \$467,500.00; and year #3 - \$504,900.00), subject to the availability of funding.

ADOPTED, by the Board of Commissioners and signed in open session in authentication of this passage on this 12th day of September 2018.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Tyrone Garrett
Executive Director/Secretary

Neil Albert
Chairman

APPROVED TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Kenneth S. Slaughter
General Counsel

