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Greene County Commission Awards Construction Manager At Risk Proposal for Jail Expansion Project

On Monday, July 9, the Greene County Commission voted on proposals for a Construction Manager At Risk for the Greene County Jail expansion project. Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of the partnership of JE Dunn and DeWitt & Associates.

A Request for Qualifications for this position was first advertised in April with five criteria used to evaluate submittals: specialized experience and technical competence, capacity and capability to complete the project on time, past record of performance regarding quality and costs, the firm's proximity and familiarity with Greene County and the ability to include diverse groups.

The top two submitters were then interviewed by County staff from the Sheriff's Office, Budget Office, Building Operations Division, Resource Management, Highway Department and Purchasing. This was followed by Requests for Proposals, a stage that looked at similar elements as the RFQ but with an emphasis on pricing. Formal recommendations were made and put to a vote during a special session on Monday with contract negotiations set to begin immediately.

"We really feel the team of JE Dunn and DeWitt will serve Greene County well," said Presiding Commissioner Bob Cirtin. "They bring to the table the ability and scope of vision to take on a project of this importance while also offering a local presence."

In the last five years JE Dunn and DeWitt & Associates have completed 1,313 Construction Manager At Risk projects, including several public safety, jail and law enforcement facilities. Local projects include the Mercy tower expansion in Springfield as well as the Christian County Justice Center.

"We look forward to this opportunity to work with Greene County to provide citizens a high performing justice center for the best value," said DeWitt & Associates President GR Stovall.

A Construction Manager At Risk position is designed to act as a consultant during pre-development and project construction. JE Dunn and DeWitt & Associates will be responsible for cost management and project delivery throughout the Greene County Justice Center construction.

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Greene County is the State of Missouri's fourth most populous county, serving more than 275,000 people (2010 census). Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.

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