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Subject: Notice of Recommendation to Award for RFP 26-116, Professional Architectural & Engineering Continuing Services

Thank you for your participation in the above referenced RFP. The Selection Committee will request the Board of County Commissioners to authorize staff to enter into contract negotiations with the eleven highest-ranked Proposers, The Lunz Group; S/L/A/M Collaborative; Furr, Wegman & Banks Architects; CMHM Architects; Clemons, Rutherford & Associates; Grace Design Studios; Fleischman and Garcia Architects and Planners; Parlier + Crews Architects; Dewberry Engineers; PBK Architects Florida; and Bentley Group for professional architectural & engineering services.

Any actual Proposer who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the pending award may protest to the Procurement Director, in accordance with the Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual. The procedures can be found at the following link: <https://www.polkfl.gov/business/procurement/protest-procedures/>. In accordance with the Procurement Procedures any person who wishes to file a protest may do so by submitting a protest bond in the amount of \$1,000.00 with their initial Notice of Intent to file a protest prior to **Monday, August 24, 2026**, at 4:00 p.m. Failure to follow the bid protest procedure requirements within the time frames prescribed herein as established by Polk County, Florida, shall constitute a waiver of your protest and any resulting claims.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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