
THE CITY OF ROCHELLE
Ogle County, Illinois

RESOLUTION
NO. _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH FEHR GRAHAM FOR PHASE THREE OF THE ROCHELLE TRANSLOAD YARD AND
RAILROAD EXTENSION PROJECT**

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WHEREAS, Section 7 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that a municipality that is not a home rule unit shall only have the powers granted to them by law and as such the City of Rochelle ("City"), Ogle County, Illinois being a non-home rule unit pursuant to the provisions of said Section 7 of Article VII, and may exercise only the powers expressly granted by law; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly granted non-home rule municipalities broad authority to "pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities." 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1; and

WHEREAS, the City owns and operates the City of Rochelle Railroad (CRRR) which consists of three interchange rail yards, two transloading yards, and a total of twelve miles of railroad track; and

WHEREAS, since 2024 the City has been actively working with the Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT") to expand the Rochelle Transload Yard and railroad extension; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2025, the City Council approved a Joint Funding agreement with IDOT for the City of Rochelle Transload yard and Railroad extension, east of Steward Rd, on the City of Rochelle Railroad with Section No. 23-00118-00-RP and State JN#C9201024 Contract #85778; and

WHEREAS, as part of the joint funding agreement in schedule 1 (division of cost) the Federal funds allotted to the project will account for approximately 80% of the actual Phase 3 Construction Engineering Services upon invoicing and supporting documentation as submitted by the Local Agency (City of Rochelle); and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with Phase 3 Construction Engineering, the City posted a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") on the City's Website and in the Rochelle Newsleader on April 26, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFQ, Fehr Graham Engineering provided a Submittal of Qualifications ("SOQ") and a proposal for Engineering Services in the amount of \$402,000 which is attached herein as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing Fehr Graham Engineering's SOQ and proposal, the City Engineer and staff have determined that Fehr Graham is qualified to provide Phase 3 engineering services for the transload and railroad extension project; and

WHEREAS, the final approval of the proposal will be subject to IDOT's final review and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Corporate Authorities of the City of Rochelle that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to accept the proposal (subject to IDOT's approval) and enter into a professional engineering services agreement (attached herein as Exhibit B) with Fehr

Graham Engineering for Phase 3 Construction Engineering Services for the Rochelle Transload yard and Railroad extension.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS as follows:

SECTION ONE: The foregoing Recitals are not mere preparatory language but are hereby incorporated in this Section 1 as if said Recitals were fully set forth.

SECTION TWO: Subject to the Illinois Department of Transportation's approval, the City hereby accepts and approves the proposal from Fehr Graham for Phase 3 Construction Engineering Services for the Rochelle Transload yard and Railroad extension in the amount of \$402,000. Furthermore, the City Manager or his designee is authorized to execute the attached Exhibit A and Exhibit B and any other necessary agreements consistent with this Resolution subject to review and revision by the City Attorney.

SECTION THREE: If any provision of this Resolution or application thereof to any person or circumstance is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this Resolution is severable.

SECTION FOUR: Where the conditions imposed by any provisions of this Resolution are more restrictive than comparable provisions imposed elsewhere in any other local law, ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, the regulations of this Resolution will govern.

SECTION FIVE: The City Clerk shall publish this Resolution in pamphlet form.

SECTION SIX: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED THIS 14th day of July, 2025.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED THIS 14th day of July, 2025.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF OGLE) SS.

CERTIFICATE

I, Rose Hueramo, City Clerk of the City of Rochelle, County of Ogle and State of Illinois, DO
HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. _____,
“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH FEHR GRAHAM FOR PHASE THREE OF THE ROCHELLE TRANSLOAD YARD AND
RAILROAD EXTENSION PROJECT” which was adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of
Rochelle on July 14, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the
City of Rochelle this 14th day of July, 2025.

CITY CLERK