



STATE OF WASHINGTON
Project Review Committee

January 30, 2024

Corey Pearson, Executive Director
Kennewick Public Facilities District
7016 W Grandridge Blvd.
Kennewick, Washington 99336

Re: Design-Build Project Application Denial

Dear Executive Director Pearson:

The Project Review Committee has determined that the Kennewick Public Facilities District's Three Rivers Convention Center Expansion project application to use the Design-Build method does not meet the criteria established in RCW 39.10.280. Based on its review of your application and subsequent interview on January 26, 2024, the panel offers the following feedback regarding its decision:

1. Owner has presented a bias toward their current architect creating an unlevel environment for DB procurement.
2. Public Body has no public works contracting experience and extended team did not demonstrate understanding of the nuances of the risks being taken by the public owner.
3. There was nothing in the application that showed how the applicant would backfill the architect in their administration team of the project and mitigate the apparent conflict of interest creating a potentially significant risk to the applicant.
4. Project team did not demonstrate experience with the proposed unique approach to DB.
5. Application presented differed from the application originally submitted.

We thank you for your application and presentation and trust this will not deter you from re-applying for future Design-Build projects. Please contact Talia Baker at (360) 790-8322 if you have any questions regarding this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kyle Twohig".

Kyle Twohig, Chair
Project Review Committee

cc: Jessica Murphy, Vice Chair
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