



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CAPITAL PROJECTS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

Gerald R. Boyle
Director

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Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone
Executive Office
City Hall
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

Re: Authorization for Construction Manager at Risk
Delivery Method for the East Somerville Community School Project

Dear Mayor Curtatone:

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 149A Section 4.b.1, I request that you submit a proposal to the Board of Alderman for authorization for the City to use the Construction Manager at Risk (CM-at-Risk) delivery method for the East Somerville Community School renovation project. The CM-at-Risk delivery method was authorized by construction reform legislation in 2004 to allow municipalities to use a qualifications based selection of a construction management firm to work with the government agencies and their architectural firms in the early stages of the design process to develop a more collaborative, cost effective and faster paced delivery of a construction or renovation project.

The Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General's recent report on municipal CM-at-Risk projects has determined that this method has proven to be an effective alternative for certain projects, particularly in reduced change orders and early completion. The possibility of streamlining the renovation schedule for the ESCS project is a major consideration for this request.

Sincerely,

Gerald R. Boyle
Director

cc: Francis X. Wright, Jr.
Rose Durham