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County to issue RFQ for jail architect

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NEW BRAUNFELS — The Comal County Commissioners Court this morning approved a request for qualifications (RFQ), beginning the process of selecting an architect for final design work on the jail project approved by voters earlier this month.

By a pair of 5-0 votes, the Commissioners Court approved both the RFQ and the establishment of an evaluation committee comprising County Judge Sherman Krause, Chief Sheriff's Deputy Brent Paullus, County Engineer Tom Hornseth, County Auditor David Renken, Assistant District Attorney Tiffany Leal and Purchasing Director Ramona Womack.

The RFQ, which will be posted this afternoon, closes Jan. 12, after which the evaluation committee will select three finalists for the Commissioners Court to interview. The court ultimately will select an architect with whom to negotiate a contract to produce a detailed set of designs that will guide construction of the jail and renovation of the current facility into expanded space for the Comal County Sheriff's Office.

The county has worked with an architect to produce an initial cost estimate for the project; voters on Nov. 3 approved the issuance of $76 million in bonds for the project.

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