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Bohlin Cywinski Jackson Selected to Design Newport Beach City Hall & Park

NEWPORT BEACH, Ca. -- Last evening, the Newport Beach City Council selected Bohlin Cywinski Jackson as the winning architectural firm in the city's City Hall & Park Design competition.

The decision marked the culmination of a nine-month-long design competition in which more than 50 firms were considered and five finalists produced and presented five design concepts. The City Hall Design Committee (committee), comprised of local architects and a landscape architect, administered the competition and ultimately recommended Bohlin Cywinski Jackson and its design concept to the City Council.

The City Council reviewed and approved the committee's recommendation and directed City staff to begin formal negotiations with the architectural firm. The committee's recommendation included several suggested modifications to the Bohlin Cywinski Jackson plan, so the final plan may have a number of changes from the specific design submitted by the firm.

The new City Hall building and community park will be located on property off of Avocado Avenue, adjacent to the Newport Beach Central Library. The final design, site planning, environmental documentation and construction work will take at least three years to complete.

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