



TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: January 21, 2015

TITLE: Task Order to Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc. for Fort Lauderdale
Executive Airport/Mills Pond Park Mitigation Monitoring – \$37,620

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve Task Order No. 1 with Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc. for Executive Airport/Mills Pond Park mitigation monitoring in the amount of \$37,620.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale (City) is continuing to work with Broward County environmental and legal staff to finalize issues related to the environmental restoration on Parcels C and D, located north of the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (Airport). These Parcels are the subject of leases dating back to March 1, 2002 and March 1, 2003 between the City and Southern Facilities Development (SFD). As a result of the lessee's failure to comply with the terms of the leases, and failure to address environmental violations, the City Commission adopted resolutions terminating the leases for these parcels, reverting them back to the Airport, during the February 15, 2011 City Commission Regular Meeting.

The mitigation work then required included environmental restoration of the Parcels, execution of Conservation Easements for Parcel D, and executing an agreement with Broward County allowing off-site mitigation for Parcels C and D at Mills Pond Park, located at 2201 Northwest 9th Avenue. This mitigation work was completed in June 2013, and consisted of removal of nuisance and exotic species and planting of native species at the Mills Pond Park mitigation area.

Per Broward County Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department (BCEPGMD) Environmental Resource License No. DF03-1116, and in accordance with the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Broward County Specific Conditions, paragraph 35 g., a time zero report and quarterly monitoring reports are required for a period of five years for the monitoring of the mitigation area.

Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc., through a previous task order, has provided a time zero report and five quarterly monitoring reports to BCEPGMD during the initial clearing and mitigation of the property. The time zero and monitoring reports were deemed acceptable by BCEPGMD in determining compliance with the permit. Under Task Order No. 1, Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc. shall provide the monitoring required for the mitigation area at Mills Pond Park to measure and demonstrate compliance with the permits for remaining years three through five (2015 to 2017).

Staff has negotiated Task Order No. 1, in an amount not to exceed \$37,620 with the City's General Environmental Engineering Consultant, Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc. to visit the project site, photograph the wetland mitigation areas that have been created as part of this project, perform statistical measurements and vegetative sampling, and prepare and submit monitoring reports to regulatory agencies, coordinate with the maintenance contractor, and/or agency personnel, in order to expedite ongoing treatment by the contractor to areas which have shown a resurgence of invasive species, participate in field visits that may be required pertaining to the maintenance phase of the compliance the mitigation area, and inform City staff of any compliance issues and recommend options for resolving issues.

This Task Order is being entered into pursuant to the General Environmental Engineering Consultant Services Agreement with Miller, Legg & Associates, Inc., approved by the City Commission on May 20, 2014 .

The item was reviewed and approved at the Airport's Aviation Advisory Board meeting on December 4, 2014.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$37,620.

<i>Funds available as of January 9, 2015</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
468-TAM070101- 3199	EXECUTIVE AIRPORT	SERVICES AND MATERIALS/ OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$2,678,875	\$1,699,805	\$37,620
PURCHASE TOTAL →					\$37,620

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan* initiative, included within the **Business Development Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing:

- Goal 7: Be a well-positioned City within the global economic and tourism markets of the South Florida region, leveraging our airports, port, and rail connections.

- Objective 4: Deliver best-in-class regional general aviation airport amenities and services to domestic and international stakeholders.
- Initiative 1: Examine the highest and best use of airport property to stimulate economic development and create jobs.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale Vision Plan 2035: We are here.*

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Task Order No. 1

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