



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
Regular Meeting

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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, City Manager

DATE: April 2, 2013

TITLE: Contract Amendment No. 1 - P11673 – NW 24th Avenue (Dillard Elementary and High School) Sidewalk project with Straightline Engineering LLC

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve Contract Amendment No. 1 to add and delete items for the NW 24th Avenue (Dillard Elementary and High School) Sidewalk Project – P11673.

Background

Straightline Engineering Group LLC; (Straightline) was the low bidder for the NW 24th Avenue Sidewalk project and has been awarded a construction contract to proceed with the work.

This project is funded by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and was bid and awarded using the state's outdated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of 20% rather than the state's 8.60% existing at the time of bid. Going forward, FDOT would now like all projects to have a DBE goal of 8.60%, and as a result, the City will bid all future Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funded projects at the 8.6% rate. As a result of the above, FDOT has advised the City that a contract amendment is needed to correct the discrepancy (please note that the change does not have any financial implications on the bid).

Through amendment No. 1, the following language would be added:

“Contractor shall comply with FDOT’s DBE program plan approved by US DOT. FDOT currently has a race neutral/gender neutral program with an 8.60% goal.”

The following language would be deleted:

“The City of Fort Lauderdale’s overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program goal is twenty percent (20%) for this project.”

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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