



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

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

**DATE:** June 17, 2014

**TITLE:** Motion to award a contract for Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport  
observation area parking expansion – P11996 - Invitation to Bid (ITB) 243-  
11354 - \$59,969

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase for work associated with the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) observation area parking expansion to the lowest cost, responsive, and responsible bidder, B Square Construction Management Group, LLC, in the amount of \$59,969.

**Background**

The existing observation area, located on the southwest side of the airport, was completed in 1998 to provide visitors with a location to view aircraft departing and arriving at the airport, as well as a picnic area. Since its completion, the area has become popular with visitors. Over the years, the area has begun to show signs of wear due to weather and usage, including loss of the original vegetation and landscaping.

In 2010, the Airport completed a project to renovate the observation area by providing additional parking, new landscaping, benches, bicycle racks, and a covered canopy/shade structure to enhance the viewing experience with visitors. Since then, the site has seen an increase in traffic prompting the Airport to initiate a project to provide additional vehicle parking spaces to accommodate the increased traffic.

Design was completed in March 2014 and advertised on March 26, 2014 through the City's Procurement Services Division. Bids were received on April 16, 2014. The lowest, responsive bidder was B Square Construction Management Group, LLC, of Miami, FL with a bid of \$59,969. Staff reviewed the bids with respect to the Engineer's estimate and other competitive bids and found the unit price and reference checks on this company to be satisfactory.

Currently there is \$122,336 in construction funding available for this project from previously approved Airport funds.

The item was reviewed and approved at the Airport's Aviation Advisory Board meeting on April 24, 2014.

**Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$59,969 for the contract award and \$14,097 for engineering fees, for a total of \$74,066.

<i>Funds available as of May 23, 2014</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
468-P11996.468-6599	OBSERVATION AREA PARKING EXPANSION	CAPITAL OUTLAY/ CONSTRUCTION	\$135,000	\$122,336	\$74,066
<b>PURCHASE TOTAL →</b>					<b>\$74,066</b>

**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 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*.

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation 243-11354

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