



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#13-0029**

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

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

**DATE:** January 8, 2013

**TITLE:** Motion to reject all bids for Southside School Redesign Project (P10777F)  
Invitation to Bid (ITB) 233-11041

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission reject all bids received for Project 10777F - Southside School Redesign – south exterior (ITB 233-11041).

**Background**

The remaining portions of the Southside School project have been split into separate contracts in an effort to move the project forward. The two portions are:

1. The remaining building components, and
2. The south exterior elements.

The referenced bid rejection is for the south exterior elements. The work includes construction of a small restroom building, a picnic pavilion, fabric shade sails and site improvements. Detailed work includes selective demolition of abandoned partial construction elements, site clearing and grubbing, concrete foundations and slabs on grade, masonry walls, concrete columns and beams, concrete roof slabs, dimensional lumber roof framing, roof decking and roofing, impact resistant exterior doors and windows and hardware, roll down security grilles, gypsum wallboard walls and ceilings, ceramic tile, cement stucco, interior and exterior painting, toilet accessories and privacy partitions, plumbing sanitary collection and water supply systems, roof drain systems, electrical power and lighting systems, ventilation systems, fabric shade structures to provide shade cover for existing playground equipment, earthwork, concrete paver walkways, landscaping and all incidentals to complete the project.

The bid opening was held on November 28, 2012. Seven bids were received. Bid items included a base bid which includes all the work indicated above, as well as an alternate bid item of sidewalk improvements along South Andrews Avenue. This sidewalk work is not part of the original project scope and has not yet been funded.

The ITB was published listing a prebid estimate of \$360,000. This prebid estimate was in

error as it did not include all elements of the bid including the sidewalk. The low base bid received was \$633,868 plus \$101,203.70 for the sidewalk alternate. Though staff feels that the bid probably accurately reflects the actual costs, it has been decided that due to the great discrepancy between published estimate and the actual bids - those bids should be rejected. A complete cost estimate of all remaining project work will be prepared prior to rebidding any additional components of the Southside project.

Staff recommends rejection of all bids and rebidding the project after detailed cost estimates are prepared for remaining work.

Regarding the remaining building components, design is currently stalled awaiting decisions regarding the ultimate use of the building.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the City based on this action.

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