



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

#24-0465

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

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: June 4, 2024

TITLE: Motion Approving a Design Criteria Package Agreement for the Holiday
Park Parking Garage – Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC - \$349,664 -
(**Commission District 2**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an agreement, in substantially the form attached, with Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$349,664 for the Design Criteria Package services for the Holiday Park Parking Garage.

Background

As part of the 2020 Parks Bond, the City of Fort Lauderdale planned to construct a small, multi-story parking facility in Holiday Park so that existing overflow parking areas could be developed into useable, functional parking spaces. The Parks Bond allocated \$20,000,000 toward Holiday Park Improvements. The majority of that funding is not earmarked for improvements related to the parking garage. Additional funding is needed to fund the Design-Build portion of the parking garage project.

In addition, the City entered into strategic agreements to redevelop the aging buildings and infrastructure in Holiday Park such as:

- The Parker Playhouse, currently managed by The Performing Arts Center Authority.
- The War Memorial Auditorium site to the Florida Panthers new training facility, a restaurant, and a common gathering area.

The demand by individuals attending events at the Parker Playhouse and War Memorial Auditorium, City staff, and recreational users of the adjoining park facilities has led to a need to design and construct a larger parking facility (1,000 – 1,250 parking spaces).

The City identified the need to select a consultant to prepare a Design Criteria Package that will include a topographic and boundary survey, geotechnical soil sampling, engineering and architectural tasks, 3D renderings of three design concepts, 60% design plans and specifications with an Opinion of Probable Cost (which describes all major

systems, elements, details, components, materials, equipment, and any other information necessary for the design/build contractor to develop and finalize the design and construction).

In addition to the garage components, the design criteria package includes a 20,000 square foot office space for the Transportation and Mobility Department. The office space design is included in the scope to better understand the financial impact if a decision is made to relocate of the Transportation and Mobility Department. The sale of the existing City site located at 290 NE 3rd Avenue could be advantageous and serve as a potential funding source for the garage construction.

On July 25, 2023, the Procurement Services Division issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Event No. 157 for a consultant to provide Holiday Park Parking Garage Design Criteria Package. The City received Proposals from the following three (3) firms in response to the solicitation, which were opened on August 28, 2023.

1. R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc.
2. Walker Consultants, Inc.
3. Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC

One of the three firms has identified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. All firms were reviewed for compliance with the solicitation requirements and ranked based on the evaluation criteria shown in the table below and deemed responsive and responsible.

Evaluation Criteria	Weight (%)
Qualifications & Experience of Firm and Team	50
Scope of Work, M/DBE participation	30
Previous Performance / Similar Projects and References	20
TOTAL	100

On October 4, 2023, the Evaluation Committee evaluated all firms and shortlisted the following firms for further consideration:

1. Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC
2. R.E. Chisholm Architects, Inc.
3. Walker Consultants, Inc.

On October 27, 2023, the Evaluation Committee convened and heard presentations from the three (3) shortlisted firms. After discussion and consideration, the Evaluation Committee ranked Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC as the highest rank, responsive, and responsible firm. All negotiations have been successfully completed and Staff is recommending Bermello, Ajamil & Partners, LLC for award.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact in the amount of \$349,664. Funds for the design of the Holiday Park Parking Garage are available in the FY 2024 Capital Improvements Project account listed below.

Source:

<i>Funds available as of May 8, 2024</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	*AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-461-8999-545-60-6534-P12851	HOLIDAY PARK PARKING GARAGE	CAPITAL OUTLAY / CONSULTANT ENGINEERING FEES	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$349,664
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$349,664

*Includes funds in the amount of \$500,000 committed/available in requisition #6658

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2024 Commission Priority*, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Ready.

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040* Comprehensive Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Solicitation

Exhibit 2 – Vendor Response

Exhibit 3 – Evaluation Committee Tabulation

Exhibit 4 – Agreement

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