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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: August 22, 2023

TITLE: Motion Approving an Agreement for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision

(LCRR) Compliance Program - Arcadis U.S., Inc. - \$999,409 -

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an agreement, in substantially the form attached, with Arcadis U.S., Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$999,409, for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR) Compliance Program.

Background

The final Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) were published in the Federal Register on January 15, 2021, with the overall goal of improving public health protection via a proactive and holistic approach by requiring earlier action and improved transparency and communication by utilities to reduce risks caused by lead in drinking water. The development of a Compliance Program ensures all requirements are met in accordance with the LCRR.

On August 18, 2022, the Procurement Services Division issued the Request for Qualification (RFQ) 12721-926 for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR) Compliance Program, a total of three (3) firms submitted proposals when the solicitation closed on September 18, 2022. All three (3) firms listed their status as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE).

- 1. Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.
- 2. Arcadis U.S., Inc.
- 3. Blue Conduit

On November 8, 2022, the Evaluation Committee met, and all three (3) firms were shortlisted for presentations. The firms were ranked based on the evaluation criteria shown in the table below:

Evaluation Criteria	Weight (%)	
Firm's Qualification & Experience	20	
Qualification of Project Team	25	
Approach	40	
Reference and Past Performance	15	
TOTAL	100	

On November 29, 2022, the Evaluation Committee met to hear presentations from the three (3) shortlisted firms. Blue Conduit subsequently withdrew from further consideration.

Arcadis U.S., Inc. was ranked first and met all the specifications of the RFQ.

Firm	Rank
Arcadis U.S., Inc.	1
Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.	2

Negotiations have been completed and staff is recommending award to the first ranked firm Arcadis U.S., Inc. at the hourly rates identified in Exhibit B of the Agreement.

Resource Impact

There will be a current fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$999,409. Funds for this Agreement are available in the FY 2023 Operating Budget. Future expenditures are contingent upon the approval and appropriation of the annual budgets.

Funds available as of July 21, 2023							
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT		
10-450-7301-536-30- 3199	Distribution & Collections Operations	Services & Materials/ Other Professional Services	\$11,375,748	\$1,596,827	\$999,409		
	TOTAL AMOUNT ▶			\$999,409			

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2023 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure

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 Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 3: Develop and maintain an adequate water supply, treatment, and distribution system, which meets the existing and projected needs of the service area in an efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive manner.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Solicitation

Exhibit 2 - Final Ranking

Exhibit 3 - Arcadis U.S., Inc. Proposal

Exhibit 4 - Agreement

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