



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

#17-0527

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

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

DATE: June 6, 2017

TITLE: Motion to Approve Additional Expenditures for FireStorm 36 Fireboat –
Metal Craft Marine, Inc. - \$31,223.38

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve additional expenditures in the amount of \$31,223.38 to improve the quality of a fireboat being purchased from Metal Craft Marine, Inc.

Background

On October 6, 2015 the City Commission approved the acceptance of a grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Fiscal Year 2015 Port Security Grant Program, in the amount of \$874,312 for a fire rescue boat and a marine patrol boat (CAM 15-1228). To receive this grant award, the City was required to make a 25% local cash match in the amount of \$291,437 for total cost of \$1,165,749.

On April 5, 2016, the City Commission approved the purchase of a FireStorm 36 fireboat from Metal Craft Marine, Inc. in the amount of \$1,005,750 (CAM 16-0373). During the development of the specifications for the fireboat, Fire Rescue staff consulted with several local and national fire agencies to develop the specifications needed for community and service needs.

The first significant change to the specifications was the increase in horsepower (hp) for the engines from 480hp to 550hp. The original specifications were for a 500hp engine, which at the time was not manufactured by the selected manufacturer (Cummins Diesel). It was determined that the additional hp would provide a more efficient operation of the boat due to waterway and ocean conditions. Fire Rescue staff negotiated an adjustment in cost to accommodate the additional capacity. This initial increase in the amount of \$17,477.37 was administratively approved by the Procurement Division.

During the production phase of the fireboat, the vendor recommended several changes and modifications. Though most of these requested are non-contracted, proprietary items, adding them will enhance the operation of the boat, increase patient and personnel safety, and potentially reduce operating costs and associated downtime for maintenance in the future. In addition, these changes will not extend the production time of the boat; the anticipated delivery is July 2017.

Pursuant to Section 2-189, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids. As defined by the Code, a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature.

Exhibit 1 outlines each of the recommended specification changes and the associated cost for each item. Exhibit 2 provides the justification in support of each of the recommended changes for each item. Fire Rescue staff is requesting additional expenditures in the amount of \$31,223.38 to Metal Craft Marine, Inc. for meeting these needs.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$31,223.38.

<i>Funds available as of April 18, 2017.</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
001-FIR030101-6416	Fire-Rescue Support	Capital Outlay/ Vehicles	\$424,432	\$41,560	\$31,223.38
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$31,223.38

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 2: Provide quick and exceptional fire, medical and emergency response.
- Goal 10: Be a City well-prepared for and responsive to all hazards.
- Objective 1: Provide and effectively communicate comprehensive emergency management planning and disaster recovery.

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

Attachments

- Exhibit 1 – Design Change Request Costs
- Exhibit 2 – Design Change Request Justifications

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