



# CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE City Commission Agenda Memo REGULAR MEETING

TO:	Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM:	Susan Grant, Acting City Manager
DATE:	March 4, 2025
TITLE:	Motion Approving an Agreement for Bass Park Improvements – H.A. Contracting Corp. – \$6,410,000 – (Commission District 3)

## **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an Agreement, in substantially the form attached, for Bass Park Improvements, with H.A. Contracting Corp. in the amount of \$6,410,000, which includes an allowance of \$10,000 for permit and testing fees.

## Background

In January and February of 2021, the City and its' engineering consultant, AECOM, conducted virtual public engagement sessions to gain public input on potential park improvement projects for the Parks Bond Program. AECOM presented a summary of the public engagement efforts and recommendations for park improvement projects to be completed in four (4) phases to the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board on March 24, 2021. The Phase 1 list of parks, which included Bass Park, and proposed park improvements were approved by the Board for recommendation to the City Commission.

The City Commission approved the Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board's recommendation by resolution (Resolution No. 21-85) on May 4, 2021. AECOM was awarded the planning, permitting, and design under Task Order No. 7 on September 7, 2021. The Scope of Work for Bass Park was developed based on the prioritized improvements identified through the Parks Bond Program public engagement process.

The design was completed on April 30, 2024, and the bid package including construction plans were provided to the city on August 30, 2024. The construction work intended to be accomplished under this agreement includes but is not limited to:

- Demolition of the existing recreation center and construction of a new 9,500 square feet recreation center with pool access and a restroom building of approximately 1,625 square feet.
- Other improvements such as fence removal, landscaping, new signage, benches, and ADA accessible picnic tables.
- New concrete sidewalks, curbs, gravity wall, and pavement markings.

- Parking improvements include demolition, new subgrade, base, asphalt, pavement markings, curbs, signs, and warning mats.
- Fitness station and interactive water feature.

On October 25, 2024, the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) Event No. 351 – Bass Park Improvements. The City received bids from the following six (6) firms in response to the solicitation, which were opened on January 6, 2025:

- 1. Di Pompeo Construction Corp.
- 2. H.A. Contracting Corp.
- 3. Home Express Corp. d/b/a HE-Builders
- 4. Waypoint Contracting, Inc.
- 5. West Construction, Inc.
- 6. Vercetti Enterprises, LLC

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises was not a preference for this solicitation.

Staff reviewed all six (6) bids for compliance with the solicitation requirements and all were deemed responsive and responsible. H.A. Contracting Corp. is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and recommended for award.

# Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$6,410,000 for the contract award, which includes allowances of \$10,000 for permit and testing fees. Funds for this agreement are available in the FY2025 Community Investment Plan in the account listed below.

Funds available as of February 6, 2025						
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME(Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT	
10-353-6999-572- 60-6599-P12644	Bass Park Improvements	Capital Outlay - Construction	\$7,240,000	\$6,591,380	\$6,410,000	
			TOTAL	AMOUNT ►	\$6,410,000	

\*Includes funds in the amount of \$5,284,790 committed/available in Infor requisition #14086.

## Strategic Connections

This item is a FY 2025 *Commission Priority*, advancing the Public Places and Community initiatives.

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

• The Public Places Focus Area: Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community.

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

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

- The Public Places Area
- Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Elements
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our City.

#### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1A – Solicitation Exhibit 1B – Solicitation Exhibit 1C – Solicitation Exhibit 1D – Solicitation Exhibit 1E – Solicitation Exhibit 1F – Solicitation Exhibit 1G – Solicitation Exhibit 1H – Solicitation Exhibit 2 – Bid Tabulation Exhibit 3 – Agreement

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