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

**FROM:** Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

**DATE:** January 7, 2025

**TITLE:** Motion Approving an Agreement for the Rehabilitation of Pump Stations B-4 and A-20 – Southern Underground Industries, Inc. – \$8,739,415 –  
**(Commission Districts 1 and 2)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an agreement, in substantially the form attached, for the Rehabilitation of Pump Stations B-4 and A-20, with Southern Underground Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$8,739,415, including allowances and contingencies in the amount of \$225,000 for permit fees, testing, and additional labor and material.

**Background**

Pump Station B-4 and Pump Station A-20 were constructed in the 1970's so the existing equipment and structures are aging, undersized, and past their useful life. This project is for the rehabilitation and upgrade of these two (2) triplexes sewage pumping stations arranged in a wet-well/dry-well configuration. These repairs will improve overall system performance and increase system efficiency within the collection system for the City. The rehabilitation will also reduce system maintenance required by City staff and improve the reliability by preventing system failures.

The scope of work includes the removal and replacement of all mechanical, electrical, and ventilation equipment; replacement of pumps, pipes, valves, suction and discharge piping; and protective coating of the wet well. The work also includes relocation of all controls outside of the station, any required structural repairs, and restoration of the affected areas.

On August 16, 2024, the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) Event No. 341. The City received the following two (2) bids in response to the solicitation, which opened on October 8, 2024:

1. David Mancini and Sons, Inc.
2. Southern Underground Industries, Inc.

Neither of the firms claimed a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status. These two (2) firms were reviewed for compliance with the requirements of the solicitation. Southern Underground Industries, Inc. met all the solicitation requirements of the ITB and was deemed the low, responsive, and responsible bidder.

**Resource Impact**

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$8,739,415, which includes \$225,000 for allowances and contingencies, with an additional \$150,000 for in-house project management fees and \$250,000 for construction engineering and inspection services, for a total project cost of \$9,139,415. Funds for this agreement, in the total amount of \$9,139,415, are available in the FY2025 Community Investment Plan in the account listed below.

<b>Funds available as of December 9, 2024</b>					
<b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>	<b>INDEX NAME (Program)</b>	<b>CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME</b>	<b>AMENDED BUDGET (Character)</b>	<b>AVAILABLE BALANCE* (Character)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
10-495-7999-536-60-6599-P12608	Triplex Pumping Station Rehabilitation	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$13,441,549	\$12,664,093	\$9,139,415
<b>PURCHASE AMOUNT ►</b>					<b>\$9,139,415</b>

\* Includes funds in the amount of \$5,356,000 Committed/Available in requisition #14330 and #14349.

**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 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community.

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 existing and projected needs of the service area in an efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive manner.

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1A – Solicitation Pages 1 – 322

Exhibit 1B – Solicitation Pages 323 – 657

Exhibit 2 – Bid Tabulation

Exhibit 3 – Agreement

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