



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#12-2492

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 18, 2012

TITLE: Motion to award contract for annual marine facilities improvements –
Invitation to Bid 223-11047 - \$685,300

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a contract award for annual marine facilities improvements based on unit prices to Engineer Control Systems Corporation and authorize the proper city officials to issue work orders under the contract in an amount up to \$685,300 based on unit prices, and in accordance with section 2-179(5) of the Procurement Code.

Background

The contractual work provides for replacement and improvement of various marine facilities and structures; these include seawalls, piles, toe walls, fender system, mooring buoys, manatee grate, docks and boat ramps. This contract will address current issues such as the seawall leaks between Andrews Avenue and the Florida East Coast Railroad; failing seawall at Isle of Capri, south of Las Olas Boulevard; and the George English concrete docks. For the Riverwalk North Seawall (Andrews Avenue at the FEC Railroad Bridge), staff has determined that it is not cost effective to demolish the existing seawall. A new wall of approximately 500 linear feet and made of sheet piles will be built behind the existing seawall to alleviate the deficiencies of the old wall.

The project bid opening was held on September 12, 2012. Five potential bidders picked up bid documents directly from the City. Forty one vendors viewed and/or downloaded the documents on line; however, only one bid was received. The invitation to participate in this bid was advertised in the Sun Sentinel newspaper; was sent directly to a large number of companies in this field; and was also sent to the various construction related plan rooms (Construction Datafax, the Dodge Report, ISquare Foot, etc.). The bid opening date was extended by two weeks in an effort to afford vendors an additional opportunity to participate. After the receipt of only one bid, staff contacted other potential bidders in an effort to determine why they didn't participate. Responses varied but included: "not my regular scope of work"; "No time, recently lost some office staff"; "I don't currently have the bonding capacity"; and "currently tied up on other jobs."

Because there are a number of areas along the Riverwalk that require expedited attention to the seawall and other marine facilities, as well as the fact that the engineer's pre-bid estimate is in line with the single bidder's prices, staff recommends awarding this contract based on unit costs to the single responsive and responsible bidder, Engineer Control Systems Corp. Work Orders will be issued for specific projects..

This contractor has worked for the City in the past with satisfactory results and is currently the City's annual bridge repair contractor.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$801,801; \$685,300 for the contract and \$116,501 for estimated seventeen percent engineering fees. Current available funding for these contract services is identified below, and includes bond funding which can only be used for improvements which meet or exceed the bond covenants. In the future, if other repairs and improvements are required under this contract staff will identify the funding source, process a budget amendment and issue work orders using the newly identified funding.

FUNDS AVAILABILTY LOCATION:								
FISCAL YEAR	FUND	SUB FUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	SUB OBJECT #	SUBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
2013	343	01	SPECIAL OBLIGATION CONSTRUCTION 2008B	P11827.343	SEAWALL REPLACEMENT ALONG NEW RIVER	6599	CONSTRUCTION	\$773,017.00
2013	344	01	EXCISE TAX BOND CONSTRUCTION 1998C	P11827.344	SEAWALL REPLACEMENT ALONG NEW RIVER	6599	CONSTRUCTION	\$3,784.00
2013	470	01	STORMWATER	PBS660511	STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE	3299	OTHER SERVICES	\$25,000.00
TOTAL								\$801,801.00

Attachment

Exhibit 1 - Bid Tabulation 223-11047

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