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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: September 17, 2013

TITLE: Motion to approve final ranking and commencement of contract

negotiations for geotechnical engineering and laboratory testing services -

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 636-11225

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve final ranking and commencement of contract negotiations for geotechnical engineering and laboratory testing services with top two ranked proposers AMEC Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc. and Professional Service Industries, Inc.

## **Background**

The Public Works Department uses geotechnical engineering and laboratory testing services for various projects on an as needed basis. On May 29, 2013, fourteen proposals were received in response to the City's RFQ 636-11225 pursuant to the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA). A proposal from Wingerter Laboratories, Inc. was received late and was not opened. Considering that fourteen other proposers submitted their proposals timely, staff recommends that the proposal from Wingerter Laboratories, Inc. be rejected and not considered further. On July 26, 2013, the selection and evaluation committee (SEC) consisting of the following City staff: Talal Abi-Karam, Yugal Lall, and Dennis Girisgen from the Public Works Department, shortlisted the top six ranked firms. On August 13, 2013 the shortlisted firms made presentations to the SEC. AMEC Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc. and Professional Service Industries, Inc. were the top two ranked firms recommended by the SEC to commence contract negotiations.

The selected firms will provide testing and laboratory services to support design and construction quality assurance testing on projects administered by the Engineering Division of Public Works. In addition, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requires an approved soil and material testing company for all FDOT grant projects.

## **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. Funding for these services will be

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from individual projects when services are contracted through individual task orders.

## **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - List of proposers

Exhibit 2 - Final ranking Tabulation 636-11225

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