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

**FROM:** Lee Feldman, City Manager

**DATE:** November 6, 2012

**TITLE:** Motion to approve a one year contract for the maintenance of City owned stormwater structures for utility operations – Invitation to Bid 423-11009 - \$69,650

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that City Commission approve a one-year contract per Invitation to Bid (ITB) 423-11009 to the low responsive and responsible bidder, A & A Drainage & Vac Services, Inc., in the estimated annual amount of \$69,650 for the maintenance of City owned stormwater structures and authorize the City Manager or designee to approve the three (3), one (1) year renewal options.

**Background**

On October 16, 2012 the City Commission voted to reconsider award to A & A Drainage & Vac Services, Inc. at its next scheduled meeting on November 6, 2012.

The Distribution and Collection Division maintains a stormwater system that includes 1,000 outfalls, 8,241 inlets, over 170 miles of buried infrastructure, and operates four stormwater facilities. The collective equipment is providing better than adequate service, but requires significant maintenance due to an around the clock operation in an abrasive and corrosive atmosphere. This item will facilitate an incremental increase in the stormwater maintenance as suggested by the August 2009 Stormwater Master Plan. The intent is to contract out the maintenance of the additional tide check valves and increase the frequency that infrastructure are inspected and cleaned.

The Procurement Services Division issued ITB to 990 vendors and received 5 responses. A & A Drainage & Vac Services, Inc. is the low responsive and responsible bidder for an annual amount of \$69,650.

On July 3, 2012 the City received a protest letter from Tripp Scott, representing the third lowest bidder, F.A. Johnson, Inc. In summary, the protestor took exceptions to the licensing requirements, the number of trucks the low bidder owns and the fact that the low bidder bid \$0.00 on two items. The low bidder does own the required number of trucks. The low bidder bid \$0.00 on two items because he includes those services with the

maintenance of catch basins at no additional cost to the City. On August 8, 2012 Broward County issued a letter stating that at this time, there are no licensing requirements for this service. Tripp Scott also took exception to the second low bidder.

The Deputy Director of Finance responded to Tripp Scott and denied the protest because the low bidder is in compliance with all of the City's requirements.

On September 18, 2012 the City Commission voted to defer this award until October 2, 2012 because the protesting vendor was not able to attend the meeting.

**Resource Impact**

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the estimated annual amount of \$69,650.

**FUNDS AVAILABILITY LOCATION:**

FY	FUND	FUND	FUND NAME	INDEX #	INDEX NAME	SUB OBJECT #	SUBOBJECT NAME	AMOUNT
2013	470	01	STORMWATER OPERATIONS	PBS660502	STORMWATER	3407	EQUIP REP & MAINT	69,650.00
<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>69,650.00</b>

**Attachment**

- Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation 423-11009
- Exhibit 2 – Protest letter
- Exhibit 3 – Protest response letter
- Exhibit 4 – Broward County licensing requirement letter

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