

January 14, 2014

Gold Coast Hurricane and Fence Inc. Attn: Michael Cooper - President 5900 SW 43<sup>rd</sup> St. Davie, FL 33314

E-mailed 1/10/2014

## Re: Failure to execute contract - Project No: 11924 Stranahan Park Fencing (ITB 243-11311)

Mr. Cooper,

On December 19<sup>th</sup> your firm was sent a contract to execute for City of Fort Lauderdale project 11924-Stranahan Park Fencing. The Procurement Division received confirmation that you received the documents on December 20<sup>,</sup> 2013. As indicated in the cover letter and bid specifications that you accepted and acknowledged, your firm was required to return all required documents including contracts, insurance and surety bond, within ten (10) days after receipt.

After many attempts by City staff, both phone and written, your company has failed to provide the required documentation.

In accordance with the specifications INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS -<u>CONTRACT</u> - The bidder to whom award is made shall execute a written contract to do the work and maintain the same in good repair until final acceptance by the proper authorities, and shall furnish good and sufficient bonds as specified, within ten (10) days after receiving such contract for execution. If the bidder to whom the first award is made fails to enter into a contract as provided, the award may be annulled and the contract let to the next lowest bidder who is reliable, responsible, and responsive in the opinion of the City Commission, and that bidder shall fulfill every stipulation and obligation as if such bidder were the original party to whom award was made.

Additionally, in accordance with the specifications INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS - <u>BID BOND</u> - A certified check, cashier's check or bank officer's check, for the sum set forth in the advertisement, made payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, or bid bond in such amount, shall accompany each proposal as evidence of the good faith and responsibility of the bidder. **The check or bond shall be retained by the City as liquidated damages should the bidder refuse to or fail to enter into a contract for the execution of the work embraced in this proposal, in the event the proposal of the bidder is accepted. Retention of such amount shall not be construed as a penalty or forfeiture.** 



Please let this serve as written notice that the above referenced contract awarded to your firm shall go before the City Commission on January 22, 2014 to be annulled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, I may be reached at (954) 828-5143 or e-mail jhemphill@fortlauderdale.gov.

Sincerely,

James Hemphill Sr. Procurement Specialist