



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

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

**DATE:** October 21, 2014

**TITLE:** Motion to award a one-year contract for noise abatement consultant  
services – Request for Proposal (RFP) 545-11443 - \$49,450

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission award a one-year contract for the purchase of noise abatement consultant services to Harris Miller Miller & Hanson, Inc., utilizing the City's Contract (Form P-0001), in the estimated annual amount of \$49,450 and authorize the City Manager to approve up to three, one-year renewal options.

**Background**

The City of Fort Lauderdale has worked for years with the community to reduce noise from turbojet aircraft and is committed to continually develop ways to reduce aircraft noise. The Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport Division continues that effort with a comprehensive Noise Compatibility Program (NCP) that relies upon a partnership between the community, airport users, and City staff. The NCP was established through extensive public involvement to minimize aircraft noise over neighboring communities. A large element of the NCP is monitoring airport activity and industry trends to better address noise concerns. This is accomplished through evaluating, guiding, and updating components of the program requiring highly specialized experts in airport noise.

The background of the solicitation process includes the following:

- June 3, 2014 – An RFP was issued for noise abatement consultant services.
- July 1, 2014 – The RFP closed with a total of two firms submitting proposals in response to the RFP. The two firms are:
  - Harris Miller Miller & Hanson, Inc. (HMMH)
  - Landrum & Brown, Incorporated (L&B)

- July 28, 2014 – The evaluation committee consisting of Florence Straugh, Noise Abatement Officer; Fernando Blanco, Airport Engineer; and Scott Kohut, Airport Operations Supervisor evaluated and ranked the two proposals according to the evaluation criteria, as shown in the table below.

From the proposals submitted, both firms showed that they were highly experienced in the field of airport noise and related airport work. The committee noted that the HMMH team had extensive experience with general aviation airports and other significant work experience in Florida and around the country. The committee also recognized HMMH’s thorough understanding of the Airport’s NCP history and relevant program needs that were reflected in the committee’s collective points.

		Harris Miller Miller & Hanson (HMMH)	Landrum & Brown (L&B)
Evaluation Criteria	Weight		
Team and Staff quality and overall experience	25%	1	2
Prior experience on projects of similar scope	25%	1	2
Technical approach/resources	10%	1	2
History of Firm	10%	1	2
Cost to the City	30%	1	2

**Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$49,450.

Funds available as of October 1, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (PROGRAM)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
468-TAM070101-3199	EXECUTIVE AIRPORT	SERVICES & MATERIALS/ OTHER PROF SERV	\$2,678,875	\$2,678,875	\$49,450
<b>PURCHASE TOTAL ►</b>					<b>\$ \$49,450</b>

**Strategic Connections:**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- Objective 1: Increase neighbor engagement and improve communication networks within and among neighborhoods.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation RFP 545-11443

Exhibit 2 – Final Rankings RFP 545-11443

Exhibit 3 – Harris Miller Miller & Hanson Proposal

Exhibit 4 – Landrum & Brown Proposal

Exhibit 5 – Agreement

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