#25-0385

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: May 6, 2025

TITLE: Motion Approving an Agreement for the NE 4th Avenue Lighting Project –

R & D Electric, Inc. – \$165,144 – (Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an agreement, in substantially the form attached, for the NE 4th Avenue lighting project, with R & D Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$165,144.

Background

On February 7, 2023, the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 12735-1033 seeking bids from qualified contractors to provide construction services for the NE 4th Avenue streetscape improvements project. On June 6, 2023, the City Commission awarded the construction agreement to FG Construction, LLC (CAM #23-0540) to complete the project.

The work to be accomplished under the FG Construction, LLC agreement included, but was not limited to, widening the sidewalks, implementing street trees, an irrigation system, decorative pavement treatments, and a district sign. However, the scope of work in ITB No.12735-1033 did not include a lighting component. Therefore, another solicitation was prepared to complete the supply, delivery, and installation of eleven (11) concrete light poles and light fixtures along NE 4th Avenue.

On November 19, 2024, the Procurement Services Division issued ITB Event No. 389-4 seeking bids from qualified contractors to provide construction services for the NE 4th Avenue lighting project.

The City received bids from the following three (3) firms in response to the solicitation which opened on January 16, 2025:

- 1. AUM Construction, Inc.
- 2. Horsepower Electric, Inc.
- 3. R & D Electric, Inc.

The low bid submitted by R & D Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$165,144 exceeded the original project budget allocation of \$83,000. However, on March 5, 2025, the Central City Redevelopment Advisory Board (CCRAB) approved \$128,000 of additional funds to proceed with the award and account for additional potential contingencies (see Exhibit 5).

Staff reviewed R & D Electric, Inc.'s bid response for compliance with the solicitation requirements, and it was deemed the low, responsive, and responsible bidder. Therefore, R & D Electric Inc. is recommended for award.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$165,144. Funds for this agreement in the amount of \$83,000 are available in the account listed below, with an additional \$128,000 contingent upon approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM #25-0094 (included on the May 6, 2025 City Commission agenda).

Funds available as of April 8, 2025					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
20-348-9100-541- 60-6599-P12923	Central City Lighting NE 4 th Avenue Streetscape Project	Capital Outlay/Construction	\$83,000	\$83,000	\$165,144
		TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$165,144	

Strategic Connections

This item is a FY 2025 Commission Priority, advancing the Transportation and Traffic initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

• The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 4: Facilitate an efficient, multimodal transportation network.

This item advances the Fast Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Connected.

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040* Comprehensive Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation & Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility.

Related CAM

CAM #25-0094

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – CAM #23-0540

Exhibit 2 – Solicitation

Exhibit 3 – Bid Tabulation

Exhibit 4 – Agreement

Exhibit 5 – March 5, 2025, Central City Redevelopment Advisory Board Approved Minutes

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