



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#22-0285

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: March 15, 2022

TITLE: Motion Rejecting all Proposals for Program Management and Mapping
Services RFQ – 12596-421 - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission reject all proposals in response to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 12596-421, Program Management and Mapping Services.

Background

The Procurement Services Division issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No.12596-421 on December 23, 2021, and received five (5) proposals. Of the five (5) proposers, one (1) identified as DBE. On February 3, 2022, the Evaluation Committee held the initial committee meeting. The Evaluation Committee shortlisted three (3) firms who were invited to give presentations. The second meeting was scheduled for the shortlisted proposer's presentations followed by a final ranking by the Evaluation Committee of the three (3) proposers. The meeting was scheduled for February 11, 2022. However, on February 9, 2022, the Procurement Services Division was directed by the City Attorney's Office to cancel the scheduled evaluation meeting and to notify the proposers that the meeting was on hold until further notice due to a lawsuit filed by one of the potential proposers, Wantman Group, Inc. (WGI). The basis of WGI's lawsuit stemmed from the City's ineligibility determination, due to an existing conflict of interest of WGI competing on its own developed plan. Upon receipt of this directive, the meeting was cancelled, and all stakeholders were notified. Since the cancellation of the meeting, a settlement has been reached with WGI which includes rejecting all proposals in response to the RFQ. The City will reissue the RFQ and WGI will submit a response. The individual(s) who decided to disqualify WGI will not participate in the evaluation and scoring process.

Resource Impact

There will be no fiscal impact to the City associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2024 initiative, specifically advancing:

- Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Ready*

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