

#14-0773

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

DATE: August 19, 2014

TITLE: Motion to award two one-year contracts for water meter boxes – Invitation

to Bid (ITB) 442-11397 - \$354,000

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission award a one-year contract for the purchase of group I water meter boxes to the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder, HD Supply Waterworks, LTD, in the estimated annual amount of \$5,000; award a one-year contract for groups II, III and IV water meter boxes to the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder, Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., in the estimated annual amount of \$349,000; and authorize the City Manager to approve three, one-year renewal options on the contracts, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Background

The Public Works Department is responsible for the City's maintenance of the water metering system. Part of this maintenance requires the installation and replacement of various types of meter boxes and lids that protect the over 62,000 water meters throughout the City.

As lead agency for the Southeast Florida Governmental Cooperative (Co-Op), the Procurement Services Division released an ITB for water meter boxes and received five responses. The City requested pricing be based on a set percentage discount off of the list price at the time of purchase. There were four groups created for different types of meter boxes used by the various agencies in the Co-Op. Each manufacturer's list prices differ, and it was necessary for City staff to compare the actual prices after the discount was applied.

Based on the mathematical calculations for group I, the vendor offering the highest discount off list price at the time of purchase is HD Supply Waterworks, LTD. For groups III and IV, Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. is the vendor offering the highest discount off list price based on the mathematical calculations, at the time of purchase. There was a tie bid for group II between HD Supply Waterworks, LTD and Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. In accordance with Section 2-186 of the code of ordinances the Director of Finance

08/19/14 14-0773 determined that since this group has an estimated value of less than \$5,000, it was in the best interest of the City to award this group to Ferguson Enterprises, Inc. The majority of the City's purchases will be for items in group III and it would be less expensive for the City to combine group II with groups III and IV versus creating a separate contract for items in group II that are not expected to exceed \$5,000 annually.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the estimated amount of \$354,000.

Funds available as of August 4, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
450-PBS704135- 5401	PIPEYARD INVENTORY	NON- OPERATING EXPENSES/ PURCHASES	\$1,812,640	\$414,606	\$354,000
_			PURCHASE TOTAL →		\$354,000

Strategic Connections:

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

- Goal 2: Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective 1: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, road and bridge infrastructure.

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation 442-11397

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