



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

**#15-0158**

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

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

**DATE:** March 3, 2015

**TITLE:** Landscape Architectural and Engineering Services – Mills Pond Soccer  
and Lacrosse Fields – Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the final ranking and authorize the commencement of contract negotiations for landscape architectural and engineering services for Mills Pond Soccer and Lacrosse Fields with Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. (Calvin Giordano) and certify Calvin Giordano as qualified pursuant to law and the City's regulations as well as fully qualified to render the required services based on the City staff's recommendation.

**Background**

The City solicited landscape architectural engineering firms to provide services for the Mills Pond Soccer and Lacrosse Fields. The scope includes civil and electrical engineering design and review services for sports fields. These services consist of preliminary plans including site plan sketches and elevations, photo-realistic renderings, Design Review Committee approval and submission to all permitting agencies and final construction documents and permitting. This process includes engineering calculations, drawings and plans for stadium lighting, drainage and irrigation.

The timeline for the solicitation process included the following:

- October 2014 – RFQ 255-11503 was opened and proposals were received from the following five firms: Calvin Giordano, Chen Moore and Associates, Inc. (Chen Moore), BEA Architects, Inc. (BEA), Keith and Schnars, P.A. and EDSA, Inc.
- December 2014 – The evaluation committee consisting of Christopher Bennett – Sr. Project Manager, Daniel Rey – Project Manager II, Thomas White – Landscape Architect and Luisa Fernanda Arbeláez – Project Manager II, met with James Hemphill – Sr. Procurement Specialist to evaluate and rank the proposers. As a result of the evaluation, the committee selected the following firms to be shortlisted for oral presentations: Calvin Giordano, Chen Moore, and BEA.

- January 2015 – Each firm was invited to make an oral presentation to the evaluation committee. After the presentations were completed, the committee ranked the proposals based on the evaluation criteria and oral presentations as shown in the table below:

		Calvin Giordano	Chen Moore	BEA
EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHT	RANK	RANK	RANK
Qualifications of Firm	25%	1	3	2
Qualification of Project Team	25%	1	3	2
Approach to Scope of Work	25%	1	3	2
Previous Similar Projects; References	25%	1	3	2
<b>Overall Ranking</b>		1	3	2

Staff is requesting approval to negotiate a contract with the top firm Calvin Giordano.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the City.

**Strategic Connections**

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

- Goal 2: Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective 1: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, road, bridge, and facilities infrastructure.
- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 2: Provide quick and exceptional fire, medical, and emergency response

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

**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. proposal  
Exhibit 2 – Chen Moore and Associates, Inc. proposal  
Exhibit 3 – BEA Architects, Inc. proposal  
Exhibit 4 – Keith and Schnars, P.A. proposal  
Exhibit 5 – EDSA, Inc. proposal  
Exhibit 6 – Evaluation Tabulation

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