



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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: August 20, 2013

TITLE: Motion to approve final ranking and commencement of contract negotiations for design and implementation of Las Olas Boulevard corridor improvements consultant services – Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 636-11178

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve final ranking and commencement of contract negotiations for design and implementation of Las Olas Boulevard corridor improvements consultant services with top ranked proposer EDSA, Inc.

Background

On April 11, 2013, four proposals were received in response to City's RFQ 636-11178 pursuant to the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA). On June 4, 2013, the selection and evaluation committee (SEC) consisting of the following City staff: Earl Prizlee, Public Works, Donald Morris and Jenni Morejon, Sustainable Development, Diana Alarcon, Transportation & Mobility, and Anthony Abbate, Beach Redevelopment Advisory Board member, shortlisted the top three ranked firms. On June 25, 2013 the shortlisted firms made presentations to the SEC. EDSA, Inc. was the top ranked firm recommended by the SEC to commence contract negotiations.

On November 6, 2012, the City Commission was presented with the results of the Beach Master Plan Feasibility Studies. The Commission gave staff direction to move forward with all the projects with the exception of the Las Olas Marina expansion which was still in progress. The Las Olas Boulevard corridor project includes streetscape improvements to the Las Olas Boulevard Corridor, providing new open space at the Oceanside Parking Lot, developing a new parking garage adjacent to the Las Olas Boulevard bridge and the intracoastal promenade along the perimeter of the intracoastal parking lot.

EDSA, Inc. is the proposed design firm that will lead the team of landscape architects and engineers to meet the goals of the projects as described in the RFQ including; creating a pedestrian priority corridor, legacy project, vision for the future, sustainability,

green roadway, and an iconic memorable place. EDSA has demonstrated their ability to achieve the goals referenced above by their local and international experience in their response to the RFQ. A project highlighted as a similar project included providing landscape design for the recent Pompano Beach streetscape project for the Pompano Beach Community Redevelopment Agency. The high profile beach project successfully utilized the Construction Manager at Risk method for the project delivery.

The scope and subsequent negotiations will require the consultant to include concept refinement, preliminary plans, construction drawings, permitting, bidding assistance, and coordination with a Construction Manager at Risk firm who will provide construction services through a separate City solicitation. A project schedule will be included as part of the negotiated agreement and brought back to the City Commission for approval.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. Funding for these services will be from Beach CRA Capital Improvement Funds when services are contracted.

Related CAM: #13-1031

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - List of proposers

Exhibit 2 - Final ranking Tabulation 636-11178

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