



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

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

**DATE:** March 4, 2014

**TITLE:** Motion to award a one-year contract for porous paving tree pit system –  
Invitation to Bid (ITB) 542-11327 - \$45,500

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission award a one-year contract for the purchase of porous paving tree pit system to the single, responsive and responsible bidder, America's Best Service, LLC., utilizing the City's Contract (Form P-0001) in the estimated annual amount of \$45,500 and authorize the City Manager to approve three, one-year renewal options, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

**Background**

The Parks and Recreation Department is desirous to purchase a porous paving tree pit system in order to move away from the iron tree grates which trap debris and cause tripping hazards when roots cause the grates to buckle.

Initially, an estimated quantity of 10,000 square feet was projected if a large number of the tree grates in the City were changed to this system. Due to budget restrictions, 1,000 square feet is the actual anticipated annual amount that will be used. This will total \$45,500 and not \$455,000 as reflected on the bid tab. The vendor has agreed to honor the bid price at the 1,000 square feet estimate.

Invitation to Bid 542-11327 was issued on December 10, 2013 and solicited to 1378 vendors. Upon opening the bid on December 30, 2013, the City received a single bid. America's Best Service, LLC, has met all requirements of the bid specifications and has been deemed the single, responsive and responsible bidder.

**Resource Impact**

Contingent upon approval of agenda item #14-0090, the consolidated budget amendment, there will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$45,500. Future expenditures are contingent upon approval and appropriation of the annual budget. The existing \$220,000 in the operating budget is designated for new median welcome signs and landscaping. This purchase needs a budget amendment to move necessary funds from the Tree Canopy Trust Fund back to the operating budget.

Funds available as of February 11, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (PROGRAM)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
001- PKR061901- 3437	Median Maintenance	Services Materials/ Improvements Repairs & Maintenance	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$45,500
<b>PURCHASE TOTAL ►</b>					<b>\$ 45,500</b>

**Strategic Connections:**

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

- **Goal 12:** Be a leading government organization, managing resources wisely and sustainably.
- **Objective 1:** Ensure sound fiscal management.

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

Related CAM: #14-0090

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Bid Tabulation 542-11327

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