

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission
FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager
DATE: March 1, 2022
TITLE: Motion Approving Agreements for the Purchase of Hauling and Disposal Services – Grits, Rags, Solids and Biosolids – A.J. Panzarella L.L.C. - \$722,472 – Merrell Bros., Inc. - \$6,557,760 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve two (2) agreements, in substantially the forms attached. The first agreement is for Hauling and Disposal Services – Grits, Rags, and Solids with A.J. Panzarella L.L.C. dba Panzarella Waste & Recycling Services (PWRS) in the initial three (3) year contract term fixed amount of \$722,472; and authorize the City Manager to approve two (2), one-year renewal options in the estimated annual amount of \$240,824, for a potential total contract amount of \$1,204,120, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

The second agreement is for Hauling and Disposal Services – Biosolids with Merrell Bros., Inc. (Merrell) in the initial three (3) year contract term fixed amount of \$6,557,760; and authorize the City Manager to approve two (2), one-year renewal options in the estimated annual amount of \$2,185,920, for a potential total contract amount of \$10,929,600, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

#### Background

The George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant (GTL) is a central regional facility where wastewater is treated for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Wilton Manors, Oakland Park, and Port Everglades, as well as sections of Tamarac and unincorporated Broward County. GTL treats approximately 40 million gallons of wastewater per day and generates approximately 45 tons of pretreatment grits, rags and solids per month as well as approximately 2,650 tons of treated biosolids (sludge) per month.

These contracts provide for hauling and disposal services for GTL, transporting pretreatment waste and sludge to an approved disposal location or residuals management facility as defined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection regulations. These materials will be disposed of in a manner that complies with the appropriate federal, state, and local regulations. On December 21, 2021, the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid No. 12597-823 for Hauling and Disposal Services - Grits, Rags, Solids and Biosolids.

On January 12, 2022, the solicitation ended with five (5) vendors responding. Two vendors bid on the hauling and disposal of grits, rags, and solids and three (3) vendors bid on hauling and disposal of biosolids. None indicated its status as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise.

It was determined by staff that the bid from PWRS for the hauling and disposal of grits, rags, and solids has met the specifications of the bid and has been deemed the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bid.

It was also determined by staff that the bid from Merrell for hauling and disposal of biosolids has met all the specifications of the bid and has been deemed the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bid.

#### Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$1,209,698 for these agreements for the purchase of hauling and disposal services. Funds for these agreements in the amount of \$1,209,698 are available in the FY 2022 Operating Budget in the account listed below. Future years' expenditures are contingent upon the approval and appropriation of the annual budgets.

Funds available as of February 04, 2022						
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT	
451-PBS670503-3252	Lohmeyer Regional Plant Operations	Services & Materials/ Sludge Disposal	\$10,618,774	\$4,937,056	\$1,209,698	
			PURCH	IASE TOTAL 🕨	\$1,209,698	

## Strategic Connections

This item is a 2022 City Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure Initiative.

This Item advances the Press Play Fort Lauderdale Our City, Our Strategic Plan 2024

- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community
- Objective: Effectively manage solid waste.

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

This item advances the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 2: Develop and maintain an adequate water supply, treatment and distribution system, which meets existing and projected needs of the City and adjacent users in the Central Wastewater Region.

# Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Solicitation Exhibit 2 – Bid Tabs Exhibit 3 – PWRS Agreement Exhibit 4 – Merrell Agreement

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