



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

**#16-0099**

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

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

**DATE:** January 20, 2016

**TITLE:** Motion to Approve Proprietary Purchase for Small Water Main  
Improvements Project in Lake Ridge Sunrise Boulevard – Community  
Asphalt Corp. - \$989,718

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a proprietary purchase with Community Asphalt Corp. (Community Asphalt) for construction of small water main improvements on Sunrise Boulevard (Exhibit 2) in the amount of \$989,718.

**Background**

This project involves replacement of 4,000 linear feet of existing undersized water mains on Sunrise Boulevard between Flagler Drive and Federal Highway. The City's consultant, Keith and Schnars, P.A., is preparing construction documents as approved via Task Order No. 6 on June 16, 2015 (CAM 15-0843).

The proposed contractor, Community Asphalt, is a current Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) contractor that is presently onsite performing construction on Sunrise Boulevard as part of the FDOT US-1 project which is scheduled for completion in April 2016. The City has been approved by FDOT to contract directly with Community Asphalt under the proviso that there are no financial or schedule impacts to their existing US-1 project.

There has been a water main break in recent weeks due to the construction activity in the area (Exhibit 3). The deteriorated line needs replacement and if not completed while Sunrise Boulevard is under construction, FDOT may enforce a five-year moratorium which will prevent the City from installing the water main until 2021.

The advantages in using FDOT's contractor are: avoidance of inevitable repairs to the antiquated two-inch water main, increased level of service, and a one-time impact on businesses along Sunrise Boulevard. The City will also be able to utilize the already approved maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan by FDOT's contractor. This will allow for

reduced MOT costs, mobilization costs, resurfacing costs, and no costs for erosion control, pavement markings and signage for a total savings to the City of over \$100,000.

Pursuant to Section 2-189, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids. As defined by the Code, proprietary means any item or service essential to the day-to-day operation of the city government and when time is of the essence. Proprietary may also apply when material and services are not readily subject to competition or whereby specifications cannot clearly be drawn or when time is of the essence. Time is of the essence for this purchase due to the FDOT contractor being mobilized and currently performing the work for FDOT as well as the approved MOT.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$979,919 for construction and \$9,799 for security bond or a total of \$989,718.

| <b>Funds available as of January 5, 2016</b> |  |   |   |  |                            |
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| <b>ACCOUNT NUMBER</b>                        | <b>INDEX NAME<br/>(Program)</b>                                  | <b>OBJECT CODE/<br/>SUB-OBJECT NAME</b> | <b>AMENDED<br/>BUDGET<br/>(Object Code)</b> | <b>AVAILABLE<br/>BALANCE<br/>(Object Code)</b> | <b>PURCHASE<br/>AMOUNT</b> |
| 454-P10851.454-6599                          | Lake Ridge Sunrise<br>Boulevard Small Water<br>Main Improvements | Capital Outlay/<br>Construction         | \$1,100,583                                 | \$1,007,804                                    | \$989,718                  |
| <b>PURCHASE TOTAL ►</b>                      |  |   |   |  | <b>\$989,718</b>           |

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included in 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*

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Construction Cost Estimate

Exhibit 2 – Project Area Map

Exhibit 3 – Existing Water Main Pictures

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