#18-0815

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

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

**DATE**: August 21, 2018

TITLE: Motion to Approve Contract for Construction of Fire Station No. 8 –

Burke Construction Group, Inc. - \$4,315,130

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission award a contract, in substantially the form attached, to Burke Construction Group, Inc. for the construction of Fire Station No. 8 in the amount of \$4,315,130.

### **Background**

The construction of Fire Station No. 8 project consists of building an approximately 10,191 square feet, one--story, three-bay facility and associated infrastructure. This new station will be located at 1717 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33315. The building will be certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition.

On May 7, 2018 the Procurement Services Division issued Invitation to Bid Number 12139-983. Three bids were received on June 18, 2018. Staff reviewed all bids for compliance with the specifications of the solicitation. Although West Construction, Inc. submitted the lowest cost bid, it was not considered the most responsive and responsible bidder for the reasons stated in staff's Recommendation Memo attached as Exhibit 7. Burke Construction Group, Inc. submitted the second lowest bid and has been deemed the most responsive and responsible bidder.

On August 7, 2018, West Construction, Inc. submitted a letter of protest of award, claiming that the City's decision to award the contract to another firm was unsupported and arbitrary (Exhibit 9). On August 13, 2018, pursuant to Section 2-182(c)(1) of the City's Code of Ordinances, the Chief Procurement Officer sent a written decision denying the protest and providing detailed reasons with supporting documentation in response to the protest (Exhibit 10).

### **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$4,315,130 for construction and \$80,000 for estimated in-house project management fees, totaling \$4,395,130. Funds for this contract in the amount of \$3,295,130 are available in the FY 2018 Community Investment Plan in the accounts listed below with \$1,100,000 contingent upon the approval of the consolidated budget amendment, CAM 18-0527.

Funds available as of July 18, 2018					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
331-P10909.331-6599	Southeast Fire Station Design & Construction	Capital Outlay / Construction	\$147,000	\$114,641	\$80,000
336-P10909.336-6599	Southeast Fire Station Design & Construction	Capital Outlay / Construction	\$4,097,260	\$3,180,777	\$3,215,130
			Total		\$3,295,130

# **Strategic Connections**

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

- 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.

#### Related CAM

18-0527

## **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 - Solicitation - Part 1 of 5

Exhibit 2 – Solicitation – Part 2 of 5

Exhibit 3 - Solicitation - Part 3 of 5

Exhibit 4 – Solicitation – Part 4 of 5

Exhibit 5 – Solicitation – Part 5 of 5

Exhibit 6 – Bid Tabulation

Exhibit 7 – Recommendation Memo

Exhibit 8 – Contract

Exhibit 9 – West Construction's Protest Letter

Exhibit 10 – City's Response Letter to Protest

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