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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 9, 2021

TITLE: Motion Approving Agreements for the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation

Act (CCNA) Professional Services Library - 5.0 Foundation, Soils and Materials Testing - Continuing Services Contract- \$450,000 (estimated 3-

year total) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve agreements for the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA) Professional Services Library - 5.0 Foundation, Soils and Materials Testing -Continuing Services Contracts with Ardaman & Associates, Inc., Professional Service Industries, Inc., and Tierra South Florida, Inc. in substantially the forms attached for an initial three-year term in the estimated total of \$450,000 to be distributed among the consultants following the normal task order approval process. Staff further recommends that the Commission certify these three (3) firms as qualified pursuant to the CCNA and the City's regulations, as well as fully qualified to render the required services based on City staff's recommendation. Staff also requests approval for the City Manager to approve two (2), one-year renewal options contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Background

The Procurement Services Division released a solicitation to establish a pool of prequalified consultants in numerous professional categories. Generally, services for projects may include full design and construction contract document development; construction specification development; contract and bidding document development; code analysis; jurisdictional review and permitting assistance; bid/award support and concurrence; negotiation support; construction/contract administration services; construction phase field support services; inspections, construction observation and project progress documentation; post-occupancy surveys and related services; surveying; photographic and video-graphic project support; geographic information system (GIS) and computer automated design drafting (CADD) project support; other data and information system project support, etc.

Multiple firms selected by the City will provide professional services on an as-needed basis based upon task orders to be issued by the City under the terms of their continuing contracts. There is no guarantee that every consultant will be awarded a project. A firm may qualify for inclusion in more than one category, however, an individual firm maybe limited to being included in no more than three pool categories. The City reserves the right to determine pool membership to ensure equitable work distribution among pool members.

The timeline of the solicitation process included the following:

 January 4th, 2021 - Request for Qualification (RFQ) 12464-416 was issued and outreach conducted to consultant firms for 19 broad engineering categories (see below) for which professional services are projected to be sought.

1.0 Transportation	2.0 Highway Systems		
3.0 Water and Wastewater Systems	4.0 Environmental Engineering		
5.0 Foundation, Soils and Material	6.0 Surveying and Mapping		
Testing			
7.0 Construction Engineering and	8.0 Architecture		
Inspection			
9.0 Interior Design	10.0 Information Technology		
11.0 General Civil Engineering Including	12.0 General Structural Engineering		
Site Planning			
13.0 General Mechanical, Electrical and	14.0 General Computer Science		
Plumbing (MEP) Engineering			
15.0 Landscape Architecture	16.0 Land Use Planning		
17.0 Value Engineering	18.0 Cost Estimating including Life Cycle		
	costing		
19.0 Miscellaneous	19.01 Building Performance		
19.02 Building Inspections	19.03 Engineering Management		
19.04 Operations Assessment	19.05 Infrastructure Planning		
19.06 General Consulting Services in	19.07 ADA Compliance		
Utilities, Public Works and Engineering	-		
19.08 Parks and Open Space	19.09 Grants		
19.10 Permitting			

- February 8th, 2021 The RFQ closed with a total of one hundred-four firms submitting proposals.
- On April 22nd, 2021 The Technical Evaluation Committee carefully reviewed and approved 17 submissions for Group 2. The three (3) firms below have successfully negotiated a contract with the City. The City intends to bring the other contracts to the

Commission for approval upon successful completion of negotiations with the remainder of firms.

The Technical Evaluation Committee determined that the selected firms met the criteria as specified in the published RFQ and are recommended for award:

5.0 Foundation, Soils and Materials Testing		
Ardaman & Associates, Inc.		
Professional Service Industries, Inc.		
Tierra South Florida, Inc.		

One of the three respondents above indicated their status as a Minority Business Enterprise, a Women Business Enterprise, or a Small Business Enterprise. All firms responded that they were local business firms.

Resource Impact

There is no current fiscal year impact anticipated. Task orders will be distributed among the consultants following the task order approval process. Funds for this purchase in the amount of \$450,000 are contingent upon the approval of the FY 2022 Budget in the account listed below:

Funds available as of October 1, 2021							
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT		
450-PBS060101- 3299	Utilities Engineering	Services & Materials /Other Services	\$3,334,734	\$3,334,734	\$450,000		
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$450,000		

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community
- Objective: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, stormwater, road, and bridge infrastructure

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Goal 8: Build a leading government organization that manages all resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective: Maintain financial integrity through sound budgeting practices, prudent fiscal management, cost effective operations, and long-term planning

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

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Sanitary Sewer, Water & Stormwater Element
- Goal 7: Ensure coordination of infrastructure improvements

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Solicitation

Exhibit 2 - Technical Evaluation

Exhibit 3 - Agreement 5.0 Ardaman & Associates, Inc.

Exhibit 4 - Agreement 5.0 Professional Service Industries, Inc.

Exhibit 5 - Agreement 5.0 Tierra South Florida, Inc.

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