



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

#21-0995

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

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 2, 2021

TITLE: Motion Terminating for Cause - Agreement with Grass Roots Complete LLC
and Awarding Agreement to Eastern Waste Systems, Inc. for Palm Frond
Collection Services - Las Olas Isles - \$38,940 - **(Commission District 2)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission terminate for cause, the agreement with Grass Roots Complete LLC (GRC) and award a one-year agreement to Eastern Waste Systems, Inc. (EWS), in substantially the form attached, for Palm Frond Collection Services - Las Olas Isles in the amount of \$38,940 and authorize the City Manager to approve two (2) one-year renewal options, contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Background

In January 2002, the City contracted services for royal palm frond collections for the East Las Olas Isles neighborhood. A special fee was established for the described service and neighborhood residents pay a monthly supplemental charge supporting the described program.

On May 4, 2021, the City Commission awarded Contract No. 123490-813 for Palm Frond Collection Services - Las Olas Isles to GRC as the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder with services beginning on July 1, 2021 (CAM 21-0426). On August 23, 2021, GRC notified the City that the scope of work is much more involved than anticipated and requested to be released from their contractual duties. The Chief Procurement Officer responded to the notice informing GRC that a recommendation to terminate the agreement for cause will be presented to the City Commission, pursuant to Section 5.09 of the Agreement, and further necessary action will be pursued as afforded in the Procurement Ordinance.

On September 1, 2021, Public Works Sustainability and Procurement Services Division issued Quick Quote No. 2208-001 for Palm Frond Collection Services - Las Olas Isles (Rebid) with updated specifications to maintain a continuity level of services. On September 15, 2021, staff received a total of four bids and one no-bid. One of the responding vendors indicated their status as a Minority Business Enterprise, Women Business Enterprise, or Small Business Enterprise. All bids were reviewed for compliance with solicitation specifications. EWS provided the lowest bid, has met all the requirements of the bid, and

has been deemed the lowest cost, responsive and responsible bidder.

Under the terms of the new agreement, all types of palm fronds will be collected with the City paying disposal fees directly to the designated yard waste processing facility. Additionally, EWS will remit franchise fees to the City resulting in revenues of \$9,735 annually.

Resource Impact

Funds for this purchase in the amount of \$38,940 are available in the FY 2022 Budget in the account listed below: Future years' expenditures are contingent upon the approval and appropriation of the annual budgets.

<i>Funds available as of October 12, 2021</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
409-PBS090301-3255	Bulk Programs	Solid Waste Collections	\$78,600	\$65,475	\$38,940
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$38,940

Strategic Connections

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: Effectively manage solid waste

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

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Solid Waste Management Element
- Goal 1: The City of Fort Lauderdale shall provide or maintain solid waste management and collection programs to serve current and future needs.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Quick Quote

Exhibit 2 – Tabulation

Exhibit 3 – Agreement

Exhibit 4 – Vendor Termination Letter – 90 days

Exhibit 5 – Termination for Cause Letter

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