



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

#26-0608

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

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: July 2, 2026

TITLE: Motion Approving the Final Ranking of Firms, Negotiated Fee Schedules, and Agreements for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 449, Structural Engineering Continuing Services with BCC Engineering, LLC, HBC Engineering Company, R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. and Stantec Consulting Services Inc. - \$2,165,000 (initial two (2)-year term estimated aggregate amount) - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the final ranking of firms, negotiated fee schedules, and agreements, in substantially the forms attached, for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 449 for Structural Engineering Continuing Services with BCC Engineering, LLC, HBC Engineering Company, R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. and Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for an initial two (2)-year term in the estimated aggregate amount of \$2,165,000; and further authorize the City Manager to execute and approve the agreements with three (3), one (1)-year renewal options for a collective estimated annual renewal amount of \$1,082,500 and a potential grand total contract amount of \$5,412,500, subject to and contingent upon appropriation of funds.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale solicited consulting engineering firms to provide structural engineering continuing services for projects throughout the City, including but not limited to, comprehensive services as outlined below on an as-needed basis:

- Seawalls and Bulkheads Design;
- Bridge Design and Load Rating Analysis;
- Boat Ramps Design;
- Building Structural Design and Outer Shell Design including Wind Load Analysis;
- Water, Wastewater Plant Design;
- Miscellaneous Structures Design;
- Structural Inspection;
- Condition Assessment, Evaluation of Structural Integrity;
- Development of Master Plan;
- Phased Design Development of New Structures;
- Rehabilitation and Strengthening of Existing Structures with Conventional and

- Advanced Materials;
- Preparation of Construction Documents;
 - Bid and Bid Evaluation;
 - Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI);
 - Grant Application and Grant Administration; and
 - Staff Augmentation as needed by City Staff for Project Management.

On April 24, 2025, the City, via the Procurement Services Division, issued RFQ No. 449, Structural Engineering Continuing Services. The RFQ closed on May 22, 2025.

The following eleven (11) firms submitted proposals in response to the RFQ.

1. BCC Engineering, LLC
2. Conemco Engineering, Inc.
3. GHD Services Inc.
4. HBC Engineering Company
5. KCI Technologies, Inc.
6. Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc.
7. Lakdas/Yohalem Engineering, Inc.
8. R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.
9. Sangen Consulting Inc.
10. Stantec Consulting Services Inc.
11. Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.

On September 11, 2025, the Evaluation Committee (EC) met to evaluate and to shortlist the proposals. The proposals were evaluated and ranked based on the established evaluation criteria shown in the table below:

CRITERIA	WEIGHT (%)
Firm's Qualification and Experience	20%
Project Team Qualification and Experience	25%
Approach to Scope	35%
History and Past Performance	10%
References	10%
TOTAL:	100%

The following five (5) firms were shortlisted for presentations:

1. BCC Engineering, LLC
2. HBC Engineering Company
3. Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc.
4. R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.
5. Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

On October 8, 2025, the shortlisted firms conducted presentations before the Evaluation Committee. The firms were evaluated and ranked based on the evaluation criteria shown in the table above.

Following presentations and scoring, the Evaluation Committee recommended staff to negotiate with all five (5) shortlisted firms. Staff successfully completed negotiations with four (4) of the five (5) firms, as all four (4) firms agreed to fixed rates for the term of the Agreement. However, negotiations with the fifth firm, Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc., have not been completed and are on-going.

In the interim, staff recommends award to BCC Engineering, LLC, HBC Engineering Company, R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. and Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

Task orders will be issued to any of the selected firms, as needed, based on project priorities, and available funding.

Resource Impact

There is a current fiscal year (FY) impact to the City in the amount of \$600,000. Funds for these agreements are in the account listed below.

<i>Funds available as of June 9, 2026</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-331-9100-541-60-6599-P12010	Bridge Restoration	Capital Outlay – Construction	\$6,847,483	\$629,293	\$600,000
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$600,000

Strategic Connections

This item is FY 2026 Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience Initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community.

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

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

- The internal Support Focus Area
- The Capital Improvements Element
- Goal 1: The City will strive to provide infrastructure as appropriate to meet the standards set forth within the comprehensive plan elements, by preserving, modifying and replacing existing infrastructure and providing new infrastructure related to growth and resiliency.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Solicitation
Exhibit 2 - Final Ranking
Exhibit 3 - BCC Engineering, LLC Proposal
Exhibit 4 - BCC Engineering, LLC Fee Schedule
Exhibit 5 - BCC Engineering, LLC Agreement
Exhibit 6 - HBC Engineering Company Proposal
Exhibit 7 - HBC Engineering Company Fee Schedule
Exhibit 8 - HBC Engineering Company Agreement
Exhibit 9 - R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. Proposal
Exhibit 10 - R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. Fee Schedule
Exhibit 11 - R.J. Behar & Company, Inc. Agreement
Exhibit 12 - Stantec Consulting Services Inc. Proposal
Exhibit 13 - Stantec Consulting Services Inc. Fee Schedule
Exhibit 14 - Stantec Consulting Services Inc. Agreement

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