

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners  
Agenda Item Summary**

**Blue Sheet No. 20050370**

**1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:** Award B-04-26 LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE & IRRIGATION (FROM BONITA BEACH ROAD TO COLLIER COUNTY LINE) to the sole bidder meeting all requirements, Vila & Son Landscaping Corporation for a total base bid not-to-exceed amount of \$284,340.80. Also approve Alternate B, Irrigation Installation for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$12,760.00. Also approve Budget Transfer of \$91,143.00 from the Bonita Beach Road Widening project to the Livingston/Imperial Connection Project and amend FY 04/05-08/09 CIP. This project was anticipated and funds will be available upon execution of the Budget Transfer.

**2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Provides the County with a Contractor for the installation of plant material, underground irrigation system, well, pump, electrical, signage, directional boring, and landscape and irrigation maintenance on Livingston Road from Bonita Beach Road to the Collier County line.

**3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:**

**4. Departmental Category:**

*CQA*

**5. Meeting Date:** *04-12-2005*

**6. Agenda:**  
 **Consent**  
 **Administrative**  
 **Appeals**  
 **Public**  
 **Walk-On**

**7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)**  
 **Statute**  
 **Ordinance**  
 **Admin. Code** *AC-4-4*  
 **Other**

**8. Request Initiated:**  
**Commissioner** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Department** Transportation  
**Division** \_\_\_\_\_  
**By:** Scott Gilbertson, Director

**9. Background:**

The Department of Transportation submitted a request to the Contracts Management office to obtain bids for the Livingston Road Landscape & Irrigation project. The expected cost of the project required the use of the formal advertised sealed bid procedure.

On the bidding deadline of July 14, 2004, Contracts Management received only one (1) bid.

Project Statistics: Contracts Management office mailed 51 notices to contractors. Nine (9) Contractors picked up the Bidding Documents with seven (7) Contractors in attendance at the pre-bid meeting. The DOT Operations staff was able to make contact with the majority of the document holders regarding their decision not to submit a bid. The major reason cited was that the sign and electrical aspects of the project were beyond their normal scope of work.

The Department of Transportation has reviewed the sole bid submitted by Vila & Son Landscaping Corporation and additionally, compared the bid with the Consultant's (WilsonMiller) project estimate. They have deemed that it is a reasonable bid within industry standards and are recommending award of B-04-26 LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE & IRRIGATION (FROM BONITA BEACH ROAD TO COLLIER COUNTY LINE) to the sole bidder, Vila & Son Landscaping Corporation for a total base bid not-to-exceed amount of \$284,340.80. Also approve Alternate B, Irrigation Installation for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$12,760.00.

Funds will be available in account string: 20405630100.506510

Attachments: (1) Bid Tabulation; (2) Department Recommendation; (3) Contact Questionnaires (4) Consultant Comparison (5) Budget Transfer.

**10. Review for Scheduling:**

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Analyst	Budget Services	County Manager/P.W. Director
<i>J. J. Jumper 3-28-05</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

**11. Commission Action:**  
 **Approved**  
 **Deferred**  
 **Denied**  
 **Other**

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**LEE COUNTY BID TABULATION SHEET**  
**FOR**  
**LIVINGSTON RD LANDSCAPE &**  
**IRRIGATION (FROM BONITA BCH RD TO**  
**COLLIER COUNTY LINE)**

**BID NO.: B-04-26**

**DATE: JULY 14, 2004**

<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>BID BOND</b>	<b>BASE BID LANDSCAPE</b>	<b>BASE BID IRRIGATION</b>	<b>BASE BID SITE MAINT</b>	<b>BASE BID SIGN</b>	<b>BASE BID TOTAL NTE</b>	<b>ALT B IRRIGATION</b>
Vila & Son Landscaping Corp. Guillermo Quintero 13901 NW 118 Avenue Medley, FL 33178 FAX: 305-805-4270	\$15,250.00	\$118,096.80	\$89,894.00	\$41,400.00	\$35,350.00	\$284,340.80	\$12,760.00

**From:** Pat Moore  
**To:** Lisa Crone  
**Date:** 3/10/05 8:18AM  
**Subject:** Re: Livingston - Contract Award

Hi Lisa,

Don has confirmed that we would like to proceed with the award of this contract. I've been working with Gail, but she suggested that we make the transition to you at this point.

We have previously asked the contractor for two bid extensions. Gail and I discussed that the 2nd one is up on this Monday March 14th. Please contact them and let them know our plans, and verify that they are still willing to enter into a contract.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Best regards,

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Hi Don,

I interpret your message below to be: ask contracts to proceed with the award. Please confirm.

Best regards,

Pat

>>> Donald Chamblee 03/09/05 05:44PM >>>

Please contact the contract and proceed with the award.

Donald Chamblee, PE  
LC DOT Operations  
[ChambIDV@LeeGov.com](mailto:ChambIDV@LeeGov.com)  
Phone: (239) 694-3334  
Fax: (239) 694-3332

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FAX: (239) 694-3332

>>> Pat Moore 03/08/05 09:41AM >>>

Hi Don,

I spoke to Gail about the status of this project. The contract has not gone to the BoCC for award. The time extension from the bidder to honor his bid will expire this Monday March 14, 2005.

Gail suggested that we now begin working with Lisa, since she's now available to handle our projects.

If you'd like to move forward with the award now, I'd recommend that we touch base with the contractor to let them know our plans, and have Lisa obtain another time extension on their bid.

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**PROJECT TITLE:****LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION**

CONTRACTOR: HANNULA LANDSCAPING, INC.  
239-992-2210

**QUESTION: We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? (Write a summary of comments from the constructor)**

*Spoke with Annita Carbery - They had prepared a package however their bonding company told them they had met their bonding capacity - since then they went through a review and have had their bonding abilities extended.*

*Debraine Wetzel*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/27/04*  
Date

**PROJECT TITLE:**

**LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION**

**CONTRACTOR: BLUE HERON IRRIGATION  
239-275-1711**

**QUESTION: We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? (Write a summary of comments from the contractor)**

*Spoke with Daryl Stanley, he said he was putting together a bid but did not get his sign price in time for the bid opening. Transferred call to Pat Moore for further questions*

*Rocaine Metzger*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/26/04*  
Date

**The base bid - \$284,340.80**

**Alternate total - \$12,760.00**

*7/29  
Hi Pat  
Three phone questions/comments were handled. Completed by Rocaine.*

*Jerry*

*Daryl Stanley*

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*Debraine Metzger*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/27/04*  
Date

**PROJECT TITLE:**

**LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION**

**CONTRACTOR: ARAZOZA BROTHERS, CORP.  
305-246-3223**

**QUESTION: We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? (Write a summary of comments from the contractor)**

*Spoke with Albert Arazoza, he stated it was to far for them, they had been busy on the east coast. He also noted it was beyond the scope of their abilities.*

*Debraire Wetzel*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/29/04*  
Date

**The base bid - \$284,340.80**

**Alternate total - \$12,760.00**

*6/27 10:15 am Left Message with Annette Davis  
6/27 4:30 pm Left Message with Albert Arazoza.  
he is out of the office until Thursday*



PROJECT TITLE:

LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION

CONTRACTOR: FLORIWA'S FINEST  
727-328-9827

**QUESTION:** We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? *(Write a summary of comments from the contractor)*

*Spoke to Rob (estimator) Spec's were too tough. There was a lot of additional work (lane closures/signs) to much of a hassle for them to coordinate being from out of town.*

*Arraire Metzel*  
Signature of person making this call

7/27/04  
Date

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Alternate total - \$12,760.00

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**PROJECT TITLE:**

**LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION**

**CONTRACTOR: JUNIPER LANDSCAPING**  
**239-561-5980**

**QUESTION: We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? (Write a summary of comments from the contractor)**

*Spoke with Mike Duke, he stated that there was a lot of extra's to price (signs + electrical) which was beyond their normal scope of work. He will consider bidding if it came up for bid again. He did not have the time to devote to collecting all the information at the time.*

*Barbara Thetzel*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/28/04*  
Date

**The base bid - \$284,340.80**

**Alternate total - \$12,760.00**

*6/27 10:30 am*  
*Left a message with receptionist at site. Had someone call me.*  
*6/27 4:40 Left another message - Mike Duke*

**PROJECT TITLE:**

**LIVINGSTON ROAD LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION**

**CONTRACTOR: SMALLWOOD DESIGN GRP/SMALLWOOD LANDSCAPE, INC.  
239-597-8136**

**QUESTION: We would like this information for our files, so can you please tell me why you chose not to bid for this job? (Write a summary of comments from the contractor)**

*Spoke with Ned Skiff. He was fine with the landscape and irrigation part of the project however he stated this particular crew is not experienced with MOT requirements and he decided this was not a fit for them.*

*Doraine Wetzel*  
Signature of person making this call

*7/27/04*  
Date

**The base bid - \$284,340.80**

**Alternate total - \$12,760.00**

**From:** Pat Moore  
**To:** Matt Horton  
**Date:** 3/22/05 4:22PM  
**Subject:** Re: Livingston Road L&I Project Bid Recommendation

thanks, Matt

>>> Matt Horton <MattHorton@WilsonMiller.com> 03/22/05 04:01PM >>>

Pat,

After reviewing the sole bid for the Livingston Road L&I Project, I have found the total amount shown for the Vila & Son bid to be commensurate with our OPC. Please note, however, that there are certain irrigation items that exceed the industry average, as stated in our irrigation sub-consultant's review. Also consider many plant material items were well below the industry average. As the two discrepancies seem to balance resulting in an amount that does not exceed our OPC, I have no reservations recommending award of this bid to Vila & Son.

Matthew D. Horton, ASLA  
Project Manager  
Associate  
WilsonMiller.com

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**CC:** Don Chamblee; Lisa Crone