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ITEM 33. Natural Resources - Consent

AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: June 18, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Natural Resources
REQUESTER: Roland Ottolini

TITLE: Award Contracts for Waterway, Canal and Natural Creek Disaster Debris & Vegetation Removal

I. MOTION REQUESTED

A) Award Request for Proposal No. RFP230596BJB, Disaster Recovery Services for Debris and Vegetation Removal from Waterways, Canals and Natural Creeks in Lee County to Aftermath Disaster Recovery, Inc (as primary) and Crowder-Gulf Joint Venture, Inc. (as secondary) for disaster recovery services for debris and vegetation removal from waterways, canals and natural creeks in Lee County, on an as-needed basis, for an initial term of five years. Individual purchases in excess of \$100,000.00 will be presented to the Board for approval.

B) Authorize the Chair to execute the contract documents on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

C) Grant the County Manager or designee the authority to extend the contract(s) and to execute all associated documents, if doing so is in the best interest of Lee County, and there are no cost increases associated with the extensions(s). In the event either contract is used for purposes eligible for federal reimbursement, the solicitation and contracts comply with federal reimbursement regulations.

II. ITEM SUMMARY

Awards contracts to Aftermath Disaster Recovery, Inc. as the primary vendor and Crowder-Gulf Joint Venture, Inc. as the secondary vendor, to provide disaster recovery services for debris and vegetation removal from waterways and creeks in Lee County on an asneeded basis for an initial five-year period. Having a contract in place with debris removal firms for disaster recovery services, will allow the County to act swiftly after a major storm event to clear clogged or impaired waterways in order to improve flow and reduce the impact of any flooding that may occur. No expenditures are planned for this fiscal year unless there is a major storm event. In the event either contract is used for purposes eligible for federal reimbursement, the solicitation and contracts comply with federal reimbursement regulations.

III. BACKGROUND AND IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A) Board Action and Other History

Procurement Management obtained proposals for the project known as Request for Proposal No. RFP230596BJB, Disaster Recovery Services for Debris and Vegetation Removal from Waterways, Canals and Natural Creeks in Lee County. On the solicitation deadline of April 11, 2024, Procurement Management received eight (8) submittals.

Two evaluation meetings were held on April 25, 2024, and May 7, 2024, during which the Evaluation Committee considered criterion as listed in the solicitation request including such items as: Experience & References, Company Resources: Facilities, Equipment & Personnel, Company Capabilities, Plan of Approach, Financial Stability, and Price Proposal. Based on the information submitted by the proposers, the Committee reached a consensus to negotiate with and recommend the award of a contract to Aftermath Disaster Recovery, Inc. as the primary vendor and Crowder-Gulf Joint Venture, Inc. as the secondary vendor. The contract is for use on an as-needed basis for an initial term of five years.

In order to be prepared for the next major storm event and obtain maximum reimbursement from FEMA (or other federal agency), we decided to contract with firms that could assist us with cleaning critical flowways immediately after the storm (first push), and contracts that contained the necessary federal requirements to insure reimbursement. Having this contract in place, will allow Natural Resources staff to assess the County's immediate needs after any given storm and direct the firms to clear the areas that are most critical to improving flow and reducing the duration of the flood event. Since these contracts will be used to clear waterway debris after storm events, there is no estimate as to the amount of usage for the first year. Budget dollar amounts will be established per storm event.

- B) <u>Policy Issues</u>
- C) <u>BoCC Goals</u> Flooding
- D) <u>Analysis</u>
- E) <u>Options</u>

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A)	Current year dollar amount of item:	No funding required.
B)	Is this item approved in the current budget?	

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C)	Is this a revenue or expense item?	Expense			
D)	Is this Discretionary or Mandatory?	Discretionary			
	Will this item impact future budgets? If yes, please include reasons in III(D) above.				
,	Fund: Program: Project: Account Strings:				
G)	Fund Type?	N/A			
,	Comments: Hurricane Ian - Recovery & Resilience				

V. RECOMMENDATION

Approve

VI. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

VII. FOLLOW UP

ATTACHMENTS:

DescriptionUpload DateTypeRFP230596BJB - Aftermath Recovery Proposed Agreement5/28/2024AgreementRFP230596BJB - Crowder Gulf Proposed Agreement5/28/2024AgreementAnnual Contract Price Comparison5/28/2024Backup Material

REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Natural Resources	Tucker, Mary	Approved	6/10/2024 - 12:18 PM
Natural Resources	Paxton, Debra	Approved	6/10/2024 - 2:15 PM
Budget Services	Guttery, Angela	Approved	6/10/2024 - 3:04 PM
Budget Services	Winton, Peter	Approved	6/10/2024 - 4:42 PM
County Attorney	Adams, Joseph	Approved	6/11/2024 - 8:48 AM
County Manager	Mora, Marc	Approved	6/11/2024 - 10:44 AM