


INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA  
MEMORANDUM

CONSENT

**TO:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

**THROUGH:** Richard B. Szpyrka P.E., Public Works Director

**FROM:** Keith McCully, P.E., Stormwater Engineer 

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to Delay Construction of the Reinforced Concrete Wall Sawing and Duperon FlexRake Rehabilitation at PC Main Screening System and Reissuance of Bond

**DATE:** August 7, 2017

**DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS**

On May 9, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) voted to award a construction contract to Costello Brothers Marine Construction (Contractor) for various improvements to the PC Main Screening System. The contract amount is \$149,058. A preconstruction meeting was held on June 25, 2017 at the project site to discuss the Work. Attending were County Staff, the Contractor, and Indian River Farms Water Control District Superintendent Mr. David Gunter. At the meeting, Mr. Gunter strongly recommended the Work be placed on hold until the second or third week in February 2018. He stated the reason for recommending the delay is a high possibility of dangerous working conditions in the Main Relief Canal at times, due to potential large canal water flows during the rainy and hurricane seasons.

The Contractor is willing to delay the Work until the second or third week of February 2018 as recommended by Mr. Gunter and will still honor the \$149,058 contract price. The Contractor has requested the County release its existing Public Construction Bond as it is affecting its current bonding capacity. A letter from the Contractor's surety regarding issuance of a new bond in a timely manner before construction occurs is included as Attachment 1. An Extension of Agreement is presented as Attachment 2.

**FUNDING**

Funding for this project is currently budgeted in Account No. 31524338-066510-16001 (Optional Sales Tax Funds/Public Works/PC Main Relief Canal Upgrade) A "rollover" Budget Amendment will be processed in Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Board approve delaying the Work until February 2018 and releasing Costello Brothers Marine Construction, Inc.'s existing Public Construction Bond, and allowing it to provide a new Public Construction Bond at an appropriate time before commencing construction in February 2018. Staff further recommends the Board authorize the Chairman to execute the Extension of Agreement prepared by the Office of County Attorney.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 - Letter from Surety

Attachment 2 – Extension of Agreement

### **DISTRIBUTION**

Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Division

Michael Smykowski, Budget Division

William K. DeBaal, Deputy County Attorney

### **APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR AUGUST 15, 2017**