



**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM
Department of General Services
Parks & Conservation Resources**

Date: November 4, 2019

To: The Honorable Board of County Commissioners

Through: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
Michael C. Zito, Assistant County Administrator
Kevin Kirwin, Director Parks & Conservation Resources

From: Beth Powell, Assistant Director Parks & Conservation Resources

Subject: Waiver of Requirement for Bids to Procure Jones' Pier Conservation Area
Saltmarsh Open Screw Pump

BACKGROUND

As part of the improvements to the Jones' Pier Conservation Area, the 4-acre saltmarsh design utilizes an open screw pump design to lift water from the Lagoon into the marsh. The type of pump utilized in this design allows for gentle lifting of water into the system that mimics the natural tidal fluctuations in the Lagoon.

EVALUATION

The pump specified in the engineered plans is designed and fabricated by Lakeside Equipment Corporation ("Lakeside") in Bartlett, Illinois. The Lakeside brand screw pump assemblies are designed to require minimal maintenance over the life of the equipment and has unique heavy-duty component design features (bearing design) not available from other vendors. Indian River County has a long history of using this vendor's other products and services. In addition, the pump requires a 5-6 month lead time for production. Direct purchase is necessary in order to finish the saltmarsh wetland within the Department of Environmental Protection's grant timeline.

FUNDING

Funding for the Jones' Pier Conservation Area improvements in the amount of \$301,000 is outlined in the Capital Improvements Element of the Comprehensive Plan, approved on December 4, 2018 in Optional Sales Tax/Parks/Jones Pier Improvements (Account Number 31521072-066510-18010). Revisions will be made to the 2019 Capital Improvement Plan in December 2019. The quote from Lakeside (attached, dated November 5, 2019) is for the amount of \$73,361 which includes delivery to the site.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners waive the requirement for bids and authorize the Purchasing Division to issue a Purchase Order to Lakeside Equipment Corporation for the purchase of the pump in the amount of \$73,361.

ATTACHMENT

Lakeside Screw Pump Quotation dated November 5, 2019.

APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2019