

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
PURCHASING DIVISION**

**DATE:** October 23, 2017

**TO:** BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**THROUGH:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
Mike Smykowski, Budget Director

**FROM:** Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

**SUBJECT:** Award of Annual Bid for Sod (2018001)

**BACKGROUND:**

The Road and Bridge Division requested the solicitation of annual bids to establish fixed pricing for delivered sod for use on various projects throughout the County. The previous bid expired on February 28, 2017. The term of the new bid will be one year from date of award, with options for two additional one-year renewals.

**BID RESULTS:**

Advertising Date: July 26, 2017  
 Bid Opening Date: August 23, 2017  
 Demandstar Broadcast to: 347 Subscribers  
 Specifications/Plans Downloaded by: 8 Vendors  
 Replies: 2 Vendors

<b>Bidder</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Annual Cost Bahia Sod (est. 225,000 sf)</b>	<b>Annual Cost St. Augustine Floritam (est. 171,000 sf)</b>	<b>Total Estimated Annual Cost</b>
Gomez Brothers Enterprise	Vero Beach	\$33,750.00	\$39,330.00	\$73,080.00
Nail Farms, Inc.	Melbourne	\$45,000.00	\$59,850.00	\$104,850.00

**ANALYSIS:**

The Road and Bridge Division has recommended award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Gomez Brothers Enterprise.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

The low bid represents a per square foot price increase of 3.4% for Bahia Sod and 21% for St. Augustine Floritam. Funding is available in the Road and Bridge Other Road Materials and Supplies Account as shown.

CONSENT AGENDA

Account Number	Account Description	Available FY17/18 Budget
11121441-035390	Road & Bridge – Other Road Materials and Supplies	\$73,080.00

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board award Bid 2018001 to Gomez Brothers Enterprise and authorize the Purchasing Division to issue blanket purchase orders for the period of November 8, 2017 through November 7, 2018 to the recommended bidder, after receipt and approval of required insurance by Risk Management. Staff also recommends the Board authorize the Purchasing Manager to renew this bid for two (2) additional one (1) year periods subject to satisfactory performance, vendor acceptance, and the determination that renewal of this annual bid is in the best interest of Indian River County.