

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

DATE: May 31, 2024

TO: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THROUGH: John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator
Kristin Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget
Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

FROM: Shelby Ball, Purchasing Specialist

SUBJECT: Approval of Final Ranking and Award of RFQ 2024035 Derelict Vessel
Removal

BACKGROUND:

On behalf of the Department of Natural Resources, the Purchasing Division issued a request for qualifications (RFQ) to identify qualified contractors for derelict vessel removal services on an as-needed basis. Services may include but are not limited to the following: 1) the removal and disposal of derelict vessels which may include sunken and partially sunken vessels; 2) the identification of pollutants on vessels and proper disposal in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations; 3) the removal of vessel debris impeding navigation and affecting the safety of public waters. All work will be in accordance with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP) Best Management Practices.

DISCUSSION:

A selection committee comprised of Eric Charest, Assistant Natural Resources Director, Melissa Meisenburg, Senior Lagoon Environmental Specialist, and Quintin Bergman, Coastal Resources Manager, independently reviewed, scored, and ranked each Statement of Qualifications, in compliance with the instructions and criteria established in the RFQ. The committee subsequently met to compile an initial ranking, and determined interviews were not necessary. After discussions, the committee developed a final ranking of Contractors:

1. Outlaw Maritime, LLC
2. Summerlins Marine Construction, LLC
3. Underwater Engineering Services, Inc
4. Absolute Boat Towing & Salvage, Inc
5. A-C-T Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc
6. In-Depth, Inc
7. Isla Maritime
8. Bay & Key Environmental, LLC
9. Southern Disaster Recovery, LLC

The Committee wishes to award to the four Contractors ranked the highest. When choosing a Contractor for a vessel removal, Staff will take into consideration the scope of services, work schedule and fee proposal provided by the Contractor.

FUNDING:

Funding for this task is budgeted for in the Florida Boating Improvement Program/IR Lagoon/Other Contractual Service, Account #13328337-033490.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the final ranking of Contractors, award RFQ 2024035 to Outlaw Maritime, LLC, Summerlins Marine Construction, LLC, Underwater Engineering Services, Inc, and Absolute Boat Towing & Salvage, Inc, approve the sample agreement, and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreements after review and approval by the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency, and after receipt and approval of the required insurance by the Risk Manager.

ATTACHMENT:

Sample Agreement