

**Indian River County, Florida
Department of Utility Services
Board Memorandum**

Date: June 16, 2020

To: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

From: Vincent Burke, PE, Director of Utility Services

Thru: Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

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Subject: Award of Bid 2020045 – Annual Bid for Sanitary Sewer Services

Background:

On July 17, 2018, the Indian River County (IRC) Board of County Commissioners (BCC) awarded the first Annual Bid for Sanitary Sewer Services. The Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS) requested the solicitation of annual bids to establish firm fixed pricing for services to prevent sanitary sewer overflows that may occur, especially following emergency events such as hurricanes. Services would typically involve pumping sewage from a lift station that has lost power and transporting the sewage to another lift station. Other services included in the bid are cleanout of storm drain and catch basins, and providing supplemental vacuum trucks. The term of this bid is three years, with the option for two additional one-year renewals, subject to vendor acceptance, satisfactory performance and staff’s determination that the renewal would be in the best interest of the County.

Bid Results:

Advertising Date:	May 15, 2020
Bid Opening Date:	June 10, 2020
Demandstar Broadcast to:	432 Subscribers
Bid Documents Downloaded by:	28 Vendors
Replies:	6 Vendors

Bidder’s Name	Location	Tanker Truck ≤ 3 miles/ per gal	Tanker Truck > 3 miles/ per ½ mile	Vacuum Truck/ per hour	Clean Storm Drain /Catch Basin/per hour
Meeks Plumbing, Inc.	Vero Beach	\$0.12	\$0.03	\$160.00	\$150.00
Flotech Environmental, LLC	Miami	\$0.10	\$25.00	\$140.00	\$180.00
Hinterland Group, Inc.	Riviera Beach	\$0.10	\$0.20	\$225.00	\$225.00
Envirowaste Services Group, Inc.	Palmetto Bay	\$0.24	\$0.03	\$225.00	\$225.00
Shenandoah General Construction Co.	Pompano Beach	\$0.40	\$0.25	\$225.00	\$225.00
South East Services of the Treasure Coast, Inc.	Vero Beach	\$0.30	\$0.50	\$185.00	\$185.00

Consent Item

Analysis:

IRCDUS has determined all six vendors have met the specifications of the bid. Due to the unknown amount of need, or what geographical areas may be impacted and unable to respond in an emergency, staff recommends all six firms be awarded the bid. All six vendors were referenced against the State of Florida’s lists of convicted and suspended vendors, as well as the U.S. Government’s System for Award Management database, with no issues found. Individual tasks will be awarded based on bid price and responsiveness, as this work is typically urgent in nature. Vendors will not be awarded work for which their bid pricing is significantly higher than the pricing of the other vendors, except as a last resort.

Source of Funds:

Funds for emergency repairs after a hurricane are typically allocated by the budget office once a state of emergency exists. Therefore, funds are not currently available in departmental accounts to cover this expense. The last time this account was used was for Hurricane Irma. Expenses for sanitary sewer services were:

Vendor	Billing method	Total billed
Reliable Septic & Services	Per gallon hauled (\$0.15)	\$24,345
Meeks Plumbing, Inc.	Per gallon hauled (\$0.15)	\$12,450
Southeast Services	Hourly (\$185)	\$2,127

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) award bid 2020045 to: Meeks Plumbing, Inc.; Flotech Environmental; Hinterland Group, Inc.; Envirowaste Services Group, Inc., Shenandoah General Construction Co.; and South East Services of the Treasure Coast. Staff also recommends the BCC approve the sample agreement and authorize the Chairman to execute it after approval by the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency, and receipt of the required insurance.

Attachment:

Sample Agreement