

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

**DATE:** June 23, 2022

**TO:** BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**THROUGH:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
Kristin Daniels, Budget Director

**FROM:** Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

**SUBJECT:** Award of Bid 2022052 for Relocation of Fire Observation Tower

**BACKGROUND:**

On January 11, 2022, the Board directed staff to negotiate with the City of Fellsmere regarding transfer of ownership of the Fire Tower located adjacent to Fire Station 13, and authorized \$40,000 in funding to facilitate the removal of the tower. The Board approved Resolution 2022-027 on May 17, 2022 authorizing the transfer of ownership of the tower to the City of Fellsmere. Bids were solicited and received as shown below for the dismantling and relocation of the tower to a location at the Headwaters Lake Boat Ramp.

**BID RESULTS:**

Advertising Date: April 29, 2022  
 Bid Opening Date: May 27, 2022  
 Solicitation Broadcast to: 651 Subscribers  
 Bid Documents Requested by: 13 Firms  
 Replies: 2 Firms

<b>Firm</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Total Bid</b>
Custom Welding Diversified, Inc.	Port St. Lucie	\$97,326
Razorback LLC	Tarpon Springs	\$144,690

**ANALYSIS:**

The Public Works Department has reviewed the bids and determined Custom Welding Diversified, Inc. to be the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

**FUNDING:**

Funds to dismantle and transport the tower will be placed on a forthcoming budget amendment to be funded from Emergency Services District/Reserve for Contingency.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board award Bid 2022052 to Custom Welding Diversified, Inc., approve the sample agreement, and authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement after approval by the County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency, and receipt and approval of the required insurance by the Risk Manager.

**ATTACHMENT**

Sample Agreement