

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

DATE: April 15, 2019

TO: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THROUGH: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
Kristin Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

FROM: Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

SUBJECT: Sealed Bid Sale of 1215 82nd Avenue (Former Fire Station 7)

BACKGROUND:

On February 5, 2019, the Board awarded bid 2019029 in the amount of \$28,370 to Barth Construction for the demolition of the Former Fire Station 7 building, located at 1215 82nd Avenue. In response to external inquiries to staff from parties interested in purchasing the structure and parcel, the Board subsequently authorized the sealed bid sale of the facility on March 26, 2019. The demolition was put on hold, but that award was not terminated.

ANALYSIS:

In accordance with F.S. 125.35, advertisements announcing the sealed bid sale of the facility appeared in the Indian River Press Journal on March 29 and April 5, 2019. Four sealed bids in response to Invitation to Bid 2019053 were received and publicly opened on April 9, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. Bids were accepted in the amounts of \$101,000, \$40,158, \$40,000 and \$35,000.

During review of the bids, the Public Works Department identified portions of the parcel that need be extracted from the property to facilitate future right-of-way needs, significantly reducing the size of the parcel to be sold. A right-of-way purchase at a later date is anticipated to exceed the revenue received under a sealed bid sale of the property.

There is no provision within Florida Statute or County ordinance to enable a negotiation with the high bidder in a sealed bid sale. Staff anticipates the reduced size of the parcel will eliminate interest by the public to purchase, and the remainder of the parcel to be beneficial in the design of any future roadway projects.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Funding for the demolition of the building in the amount of \$28,370 will be made available in the Emergency Services District- Other Contractual Services Account (11412022-033490).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners reject all bids received in response to 2019053 Sealed Bid Sale of Real Property, and authorize the demolition of the building to proceed in accordance with Bid 2019029.