

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: October 3, 2017

[] Consent

[X]

Regular

[] Workshop

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Public Hearing

Department

Submitted For:

Office of Small Business Assistance (OSBA)

Submitted By:

Administration

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: A) waiver of the competitive solicitation process for professional services (consulting services) based on Franklin M. Lee, Esq.'s extensive experience in disparity study review and analysis, and prior experience with the Palm Beach County disparity study Request for Proposal (RFP); B) a contract with Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP, in an amount not to exceed \$39,500.00 for the period of October 3, 2017 through January 31, 2018 to provide consulting services including: conducting a third-party review and analysis of the Palm Beach County draft Disparity Study; and providing an outline of policy recommendations narrowly tailored to the Study's findings and recommendations and C) Approve a budget transfer in the general fund from contingency reserves.

Summary: Palm Beach County seeks to enter into a contract with Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP, and more specifically Mr. Franklin M. Lee, a Partner in that firm and an accomplished attorney in the area of disparity study review. Mr. Lee will provide an independent third-party review and analysis of the draft disparity study as submitted by Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd. (MTA). This review will include an assessment of methodology and data sources as examined against the current legal framework for disparity studies, and the legal defensibility of findings and various program and policy recommendations. This detailed critique of the draft study will also provide MTA with recommendations for improvements and modifications. This review is intended to help the County ensure that MTA has performed the scope of work and complied with specifications within the terms of its contract, and that MTA's policy recommendations are adequately supported by underlying evidence and data. Deliverables will include a summary memorandum (or series of summaries) outlining the findings from this critical review of study methodology, data sources, findings and recommendations, as well as presentations to the BCC. Countywide (HH).

Background and Justification: Palm Beach County entered into a contract with MTA to complete a disparity study (R 2014-1634). Tydings and Rosenbaum, LLP, and more specifically Mr. Franklin M. Lee, an accomplished attorney in the area of disparity study review, consulted with the County in preparing the RFP that resulted in the selection of MTA. Staff believes the BCC will benefit from Mr. Lee's third-party review and analysis of the draft disparity study, his interaction with MTA to seek clarification regarding any issues or statements in the draft disparity study that may be unclear, and his recommendation of "best practices" based on the disparity study's policy recommendations. Mr. Lee is familiar with several local disparity studies, and has contracted with The Solid Waste Authority, The School District of Palm Beach County, and the City of West Palm Beach to review those entities' disparity studies.

Attachments:

- 1. Contract
2. Budget Transfer

Recommended by:

Tonya Davis Johnson, Director OSBA

9/29/17 Date

Approved By:

Verdenia C. Baker, County Administrator

10/2/17 Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs	\$39,500	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	<u>\$39,500</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included In Current Budget? Yes _____ No. X

Budget Account No.: Fund Dept. Unit Object

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

C. Department Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Administration Comments:

John M. L... 9/29/17
 OFMB 9/29

Jane...
 Contract Dev. and Control

B. Approved as to form and Legal Sufficiency:

Debra C. H...
 Senior Assistant County Attorney

10/2/17 *(TW)*

C. Approved as to terms and conditions:

D. H...
 Director, Office of Small Business Assistance

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.

**CONTRACT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES
BY AND BETWEEN
PALM BEACH COUNTY AND TYDINGS & ROSENBERG, LLP**

This Contract is made as of the _____ day of _____, 2017, by and between Palm Beach County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, by and through its Board of Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as the COUNTY, and Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP (hereinafter referred to as CONSULTANT), a Corporation, whose Federal I.D. Number is 52-0694081;

Whereas, the COUNTY desires to employ the services of the CONSULTANT for the purpose of providing a detailed review and critique of the County's Draft Disparity Study findings and recommendations; and

Whereas, CONSULTANT represents it is capable and prepared to provide such services;

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - SERVICES

The CONSULTANT'S responsibility under this Contract is to provide consultation services in the area of Palm Beach County's Draft Disparity Study Review and Analysis, as more specifically set forth in the Scope of Work detailed in Exhibit "A".

The COUNTY'S representative/liaison during the performance of this Contract shall be Tonya Davis Johnson, telephone no. (561) 616-6840.

The CONSULTANT'S representative/liaison during the performance of this Contract shall be Franklin M. Lee, telephone no. (410) 752-9734.

ARTICLE 2 - SCHEDULE

The CONSULTANT shall commence services on October 3, 2017, and complete all services by January 31, 2018. The COUNTY shall have the option of extending the Contract for three (3) additional months at the same terms and conditions. Extension of the Contract beyond the initial period, and any option subsequently exercised, is a COUNTY prerogative, and not a right of the CONSULTANT. This prerogative will be exercised only when such continuation is clearly in the best interest of the COUNTY. Such extension shall be in the form of a written Amendment to the Contract executed by both parties.

Reports and other items shall be delivered or completed in accordance with the detailed schedule set forth in Exhibit "A".

ARTICLE 3 - PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANT

A. The total amount to be paid by the COUNTY under this Contract for all services and materials including, if applicable, "out of pocket" expenses (specified in paragraph C below) shall not exceed a total contract amount of THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED

DOLLARS (\$39,500.00), at a discounted rate of Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00) per hour. The CONSULTANT shall notify the COUNTY's representative in writing when 90% of the "not to exceed amount" has been reached. The CONSULTANT will bill the COUNTY on a monthly basis, or as otherwise provided, at the amounts set forth in Exhibit "B" for services rendered toward the completion of the Scope of Work. Where incremental billings for partially completed items are permitted, the total billings shall not exceed the estimated percentage of completion as of the billing date.

- B. Invoices received from the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Contract will be reviewed and approved by the COUNTY's representative, to verify that services have been rendered in conformity with the Contract. Approved invoices will then be sent to the Finance Department for payment. Invoices will normally be paid within thirty (30) days following the COUNTY representative's approval.
- C. "Out-of-pocket" expenses will be reimbursed up to an amount not to exceed TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00), and in accordance with the list of the types and amounts of expenditures eligible for reimbursement as set forth in Exhibit "B". All requests for payment of "out-of-pocket" expenses eligible for reimbursement under the terms of this Contract shall include copies of paid receipts, invoices, or other documentation acceptable to the Palm Beach County Finance Department. Such documentation shall be sufficient to establish that the expense was actually incurred and necessary in the performance of the Scope of Work described in this Contract. Any travel, per diem, mileage, meals, or lodging expenses which may be reimbursable under the terms of this Contract will be paid in accordance with the rates and conditions set forth in Section 112.061, Florida Statutes.
- D. Final Invoice: In order for both parties herein to close their books and records, the CONSULTANT will clearly state "final invoice" on the CONSULTANT'S final/last billing to the COUNTY. This shall constitute CONSULTANT'S certification that all services have been properly performed and all charges and costs have been invoiced to Palm Beach County. Any other charges not properly included on this final invoice are waived by the CONSULTANT.

ARTICLE 4 - TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

Signature of this Contract by the CONSULTANT shall also act as the execution of a truth-in-negotiation certificate certifying that the wage rates, over-head charges, and other costs used to determine the compensation provided for in this Contract are accurate, complete and current as of the date of the Contract and no higher than those charged the CONSULTANT'S most favored customer for the same or substantially similar service.

The said rates and costs shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums should the COUNTY determine that the rates and costs were increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or noncurrent wage rates or due to inaccurate representations of fees paid to outside consultants. The COUNTY shall exercise its rights under this Article 4 within three (3) years following final payment.

ARTICLE 5 - TERMINATION

This Contract may be terminated by the CONSULTANT upon sixty (60) days' prior written notice to the COUNTY's representative in the event of substantial failure by the COUNTY to perform in accordance with the terms of this Contract through no fault of the CONSULTANT. It may also be terminated, in whole or in part, by the COUNTY, with or without cause, immediately upon written notice to the CONSULTANT. Unless the CONSULTANT is in breach of this Contract, the CONSULTANT shall be paid for services rendered to the COUNTY'S satisfaction through the date of termination. After receipt of a Termination Notice and except as otherwise directed by the COUNTY the CONSULTANT shall:

- A. Stop work on the date and to the extent specified.
- B. Terminate and settle all orders and subcontracts relating to the performance of the terminated work.
- C. Transfer all work in process, completed work, and other materials related to the terminated work to the COUNTY.
- D. Continue and complete all parts of the work that have not been terminated.

ARTICLE 6 - PERSONNEL

The CONSULTANT represents that it has, or will secure at its own expense, all necessary personnel required to perform the services under this Contract. Such personnel shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationship with the COUNTY.

All of the services required hereunder shall be performed by the CONSULTANT or under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in performing the services shall be fully qualified and, if required, authorized or permitted under state and local law to perform such services.

Any changes or substitutions in the CONSULTANT'S key personnel, must be made known to the COUNTY'S representative and written approval must be granted by the COUNTY's representative before said change or substitution can become effective. The following personnel shall be considered key personnel:

Mr. Franklin M. Lee, Esq., Partner
Cell No.: 410-340-2021
E-Mail: flee@tydingslaw.com

The CONSULTANT warrants that all services shall be performed by skilled and competent personnel to the highest professional standards in the field.

All of the CONSULTANT'S personnel, while on County premises, will comply with all COUNTY requirements governing conduct, safety and security.

ARTICLE 7 - SUBCONTRACTING

The COUNTY reserves the right to accept the use of a subcontractor or to reject the selection of a particular subcontractor and to inspect all facilities of any subcontractors in order to make a

determination as to the capability of the subcontractor to perform properly under this Contract. The CONSULTANT is encouraged to seek additional small business enterprises for participation in subcontracting opportunities. If the CONSULTANT uses any subcontractors on this project the following provisions of this Article shall apply:

If a subcontractor fails to perform or make progress, as required by this Contract, and it is necessary to replace the subcontractor to complete the work in a timely fashion, the CONSULTANT shall promptly do so, subject to acceptance of the new subcontractor by the COUNTY.

The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners has established a minimum goal for SBE participation of 15% on all County solicitations.

The CONSULTANT agrees to abide by all provisions of the Palm Beach County Code establishing the SBE Program, as amended, and understands that failure to comply with any of the requirements will be considered a breach of contract.

The CONSULTANT understands that each SBE firm utilized on this Contract must be certified by Palm Beach County in order to be counted toward the SBE participation goal.

The CONSULTANT shall provide the COUNTY with a copy of the CONSULTANT's contract with any SBE subcontractor or any other related documentation upon request.

The CONSULTANT understands the requirements to comply with the tasks and proportionate dollar amounts throughout the term of this Contract as it relates to the use of SBE firms.

The CONSULTANT will only be permitted to replace a certified SBE subcontractor who is unwilling or unable to perform. Such substitutions must be done with another certified SBE in order to maintain the SBE percentages established in this Contract. Requests for substitutions of SBE's must be submitted to the COUNTY's representative and to the Office of Small Business Assistance.

The CONSULTANT shall be required to submit to the COUNTY Schedule 1 (Participation of SBE-M/WBE Contractors) and Schedule 2 (Letter of Intent) to further indicate the specific participation anticipated, where applicable.

The CONSULTANT agrees to maintain all relevant records and information necessary to document compliance with the Palm Beach County Code and will allow the COUNTY to inspect such records.

ARTICLE 8 - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX

The COUNTY is exempt from payment of Florida State Sales and Use Taxes. The COUNTY will sign an exemption certificate submitted by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT shall not be exempted from paying sales tax to its suppliers for materials used to fulfill contractual obligations with the COUNTY, nor is the CONSULTANT authorized to use the COUNTY'S Tax Exemption Number in securing such materials.

The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for payment of its own and its share of its employees' payroll, payroll taxes, and benefits with respect to this contract.

ARTICLE 9 - AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The COUNTY'S performance and obligation to pay under this contract for subsequent fiscal years are contingent upon annual appropriations for its purpose by the Board of County Commissioners.

ARTICLE 10 - INSURANCE

- A. CONSULTANT shall, at its sole expense, agree to maintain in full force and effect at all times during the life of this Contract, insurance coverages and limits (including endorsements), as described herein, and be written by an insurance company authorized to do business in Florida. CONSULTANT shall agree to provide the COUNTY with at least ten (10) day prior notice of any cancellation, non-renewal or material change to the insurance coverages. The requirements contained herein, as well as COUNTY'S review or acceptance of insurance maintained by CONSULTANT are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by CONSULTANT under the contract.
- B. **Commercial General Liability** CONSULTANT shall maintain Commercial General Liability at a limit of liability not less than **\$500,000** Each Occurrence. Coverage shall not contain any endorsement excluding Contractual Liability or Cross Liability unless granted in writing by County's Risk Management Department. CONSULTANT shall provide this coverage on a primary basis.
- C. **Business Automobile Liability** CONSULTANT shall maintain Business Automobile Liability at a limit of liability not less than **\$500,000** Each Accident for all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles. In the event CONSULTANT does not own any automobiles, the Business Auto Liability requirement shall be amended allowing CONSULTANT to agree to maintain only Hired & Non-Owned Auto Liability. This amended requirement may be satisfied by way of endorsement to the Commercial General Liability, or separate Business Auto coverage form. CONSULTANT shall provide this coverage on a primary basis.
- D. **Worker's Compensation Insurance & Employers Liability** CONSULTANT shall maintain Worker's Compensation & Employers Liability in accordance with Florida Statute Chapter 440. CONSULTANT shall provide this coverage on a primary basis.
- E. **Professional Liability** CONSULTANT shall maintain Professional Liability or equivalent Errors & Omissions Liability at a limit of liability not less than **\$1,000,000** Each Claim. When a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible exceeds **\$10,000**, COUNTY reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and request a copy of CONSULTANT'S most recent annual report or audited financial statement. For policies written on a "Claims-Made" basis, CONSULTANT shall maintain a Retroactive Date prior to or equal to the effective date of this Contract. The Certificate of Insurance providing evidence of the purchase of this coverage shall clearly indicate whether coverage is provided on an "occurrence" or "claims - made" form. If coverage is provided on a "claims - made" form the Certificate of Insurance must also clearly indicate the "retroactive date" of coverage. In the event the policy is canceled, non-renewed, switched to an Occurrence Form, retroactive date advanced, or any other event triggering the right to purchase a Supplement Extended Reporting Period (SERP) during the life of this Contract, CONSULTANT shall purchase a SERP with a minimum

reporting period not less than 3 years. CONSULTANT shall provide this coverage on a primary basis.

Additional Insured CONSULTANT shall endorse the COUNTY as an Additional Insured with a CG 2026 Additional Insured - Designated Person or Organization endorsement, or its equivalent, to the Commercial General Liability. The Additional Insured endorsement shall read "Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, its Officers, Employees and Agents." CONSULTANT shall provide the Additional Insured endorsements coverage on a primary basis.

- F. **Waiver of Subrogation** CONSULTANT hereby waives any and all rights of Subrogation against the County, its officers, employees and agents for each required policy. When required by the insurer, or should a policy condition not permit an insured to enter into a pre-loss agreement to waive subrogation without an endorsement to the policy, then CONSULTANT shall agree to notify the insurer and request the policy be endorsed with a Waiver of Transfer of rights of Recovery Against Others, or its equivalent. This Waiver of Subrogation requirement shall not apply to any policy, which specifically prohibits such an endorsement, or which voids coverage should CONSULTANT enter into such an agreement on a pre-loss basis.
- G. **Certificate(s) of Insurance** Prior to execution of this Contract, CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY'S representative as identified in Article 26, a Certificate(s) of Insurance evidencing that all types and amounts of insurance coverages required by this Contract have been obtained and are in full force and effect. Such Certificate(s) of Insurance shall include a minimum ten (10) day endeavor to notify due to cancellation or non-renewal of coverage. The certificate of insurance shall be issued to
- Palm Beach County
c/o Insurance Tracking Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 20270
Long Beach, CA 90801
- H. **Umbrella or Excess Liability** If necessary, CONSULTANT may satisfy the minimum limits required above for Commercial General Liability, Business Auto Liability, and Employer's Liability coverage under Umbrella or Excess Liability. The Umbrella or Excess Liability shall have an Aggregate limit not less than the highest "Each Occurrence" limit for either Commercial General Liability, Business Auto Liability, or Employer's Liability. The COUNTY shall be specifically endorsed as an "Additional Insured" on the Umbrella or Excess Liability, unless the Certificate of Insurance notes the Umbrella or Excess Liability provides coverage on a "Follow-Form" basis.
- I. **Right to Review** COUNTY, by and through its Risk Management Department, in cooperation with the contracting/monitoring department, reserves the right to review, modify, reject or accept any required policies of insurance, including limits, coverages, or endorsements, herein from time to time throughout the term of this Contract. COUNTY reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any insurer providing coverage because of its poor financial condition or failure to operate legally.

ARTICLE 11 - INDEMNIFICATION

CONSULTANT shall protect, defend, reimburse, indemnify and hold COUNTY, its agents, employees and elected officers harmless from and against all claims, liability, expense, loss, cost, damages or causes of action of every kind or character, including attorney's fees and costs, whether at trial or appellate levels or otherwise, arising during and as a result of their performance of the terms of this Contract or due to the acts or omissions of CONSULTANT.

ARTICLE 12 - SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

The COUNTY and the CONSULTANT each binds itself and its partners, successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other party and to the partners, successors, executors, administrators and assigns of such other party, in respect to all covenants of this Contract. Except as above, neither the COUNTY nor the CONSULTANT shall assign, sublet, convey or transfer its interest in this Contract without the prior written consent of the other.

ARTICLE 13 - REMEDIES

This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any legal action necessary to enforce the Contract will be held in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Palm Beach County, Florida. No remedy herein conferred upon any party is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity, by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or further exercise thereof.

No provision of this Contract is intended to, or shall be construed to, create any third party beneficiary or to provide any rights to any person or entity not a party to this Contract, including but not limited to any citizen or employees of the COUNTY and/or CONSULTANT.

ARTICLE 14 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The CONSULTANT represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of services required hereunder, as provided for in Chapter 112, Part III, Florida Statutes, and the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics. The CONSULTANT further represents that no person having any such conflict of interest shall be employed for said performance of services.

The CONSULTANT shall promptly notify the COUNTY's representative, in writing, by certified mail, of all potential conflicts of interest of any prospective business association, interest or other circumstance which may influence or appear to influence the CONSULTANT'S judgement or quality of services being provided hereunder. Such written notification shall identify the prospective business association, interest or circumstance, the nature of work that the CONSULTANT may undertake and request an opinion of the COUNTY as to whether the association, interest or circumstance would, in the opinion of the COUNTY, constitute a conflict of interest if entered into by the CONSULTANT. The COUNTY agrees to notify the CONSULTANT of its opinion by certified mail within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification by the CONSULTANT. If, in the opinion of the COUNTY, the prospective business association, interest or circumstance would not constitute a conflict of interest by the CONSULTANT, the COUNTY shall so state in the

notification and the CONSULTANT shall, at its option, enter into said association, interest or circumstance and it shall be deemed not in conflict of interest with respect to services provided to the COUNTY by the CONSULTANT under the terms of this Contract.

ARTICLE 15 - EXCUSABLE DELAYS

The CONSULTANT shall not be considered in default by reason of any failure in performance if such failure arises out of causes reasonably beyond the control of the CONSULTANT or its subcontractors and without their fault or negligence. Such causes include, but are not limited to, acts of God, force majeure, natural or public health emergencies, labor disputes, freight embargoes, and abnormally severe and unusual weather conditions.

Upon the CONSULTANT'S request, the COUNTY shall consider the facts and extent of any failure to perform the work and, if the CONSULTANT'S failure to perform was without it or its subcontractors fault or negligence, the Contract Schedule and/or any other affected provision of this Contract shall be revised accordingly, subject to the COUNTY'S rights to change, terminate, or stop any or all of the work at any time.

ARTICLE 16 - ARREARS

The CONSULTANT shall not pledge the COUNTY'S credit or make it a guarantor of payment or surety for any contract, debt, obligation, judgement, lien, or any form of indebtedness. The CONSULTANT further warrants and represents that it has no obligation or indebtedness that would impair its ability to fulfill the terms of this Contract.

ARTICLE 17 - DISCLOSURE AND OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

The CONSULTANT shall deliver to the COUNTY'S representative for approval and acceptance, and before being eligible for final payment of any amounts due, all documents and materials prepared by and for the COUNTY under this Contract.

To the extent allowed by Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, all written and oral information not in the public domain or not previously known, and all information and data obtained, developed, or supplied by the COUNTY or at its expense will be kept confidential by the CONSULTANT and will not be disclosed to any other party, directly or indirectly, without the COUNTY'S prior written consent unless required by a lawful court order. All drawings, maps, sketches, programs, data base, reports and other data developed, or purchased, under this Contract for or at the COUNTY'S expense shall be and remain the COUNTY'S property and may be reproduced and reused at the discretion of the COUNTY.

All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made herein, or otherwise made in writing by any party pursuant hereto, including but not limited to any representations made herein relating to disclosure or ownership of documents, shall survive the execution and delivery of this Contract and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Contract, all documents, records, reports and any other materials produced hereunder shall be subject to disclosure, inspection and audit, pursuant to the Palm Beach County Office of the Inspector General, Palm Beach County Code, Sections 2-421 - 2-440, as amended.

ARTICLE 18 - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP

The CONSULTANT is, and shall be, in the performance of all work services and activities under this Contract, an Independent Contractor, and not an employee, agent, or servant of the COUNTY. All persons engaged in any of the work or services performed pursuant to this Contract shall at all times, and in all places, be subject to the CONSULTANT'S sole direction, supervision, and control. The CONSULTANT shall exercise control over the means and manner in which it and its employees perform the work, and in all respects the CONSULTANT'S relationship and the relationship of its employees to the COUNTY shall be that of an Independent Contractor and not as employees or agents of the COUNTY.

The CONSULTANT does not have the power or authority to bind the COUNTY in any promise, agreement or representation.

ARTICLE 19 - CONTINGENT FEES

The CONSULTANT warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT to solicit or secure this Contract and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract.

ARTICLE 20 - ACCESS AND AUDITS

The CONSULTANT shall maintain adequate records to justify all charges, expenses, and costs incurred in estimating and performing the work for at least three (3) years after completion or termination of this Contract. The COUNTY shall have access to such books, records, and documents as required in this section for the purpose of inspection or audit during normal business hours, at the CONSULTANT'S place of business.

Palm Beach County has established the Office of the Inspector General in Palm Beach County Code, Section 2-421 - 2-440, as may be amended. The Inspector General's authority includes but is not limited to the power to review past, present and proposed County contracts, transactions, accounts and records, to require the production of records, and to audit, investigate, monitor, and inspect the activities of the CONSULTANT, its officers, agents, employees, and lobbyists in order to ensure compliance with contract requirements and detect corruption and fraud.

Failure to cooperate with the Inspector General or interfering with or impeding any investigation shall be in violation of Palm Beach County Code, Section 2-421 - 2-440, and punished pursuant to Section 125.69, Florida Statutes, in the same manner as a second degree misdemeanor.

ARTICLE 21 - NONDISCRIMINATION

The CONSULTANT warrants and represents that all of its employees are treated equally during employment without regard to race, color, religion, disability, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or genetic information.

CONSULTANT has submitted to COUNTY a copy of its non-discrimination policy which is consistent with the above paragraph, as contained in Resolution R-2014-1421, as amended, or in the alternative, if the CONSULTANT does not have a written non-discrimination policy or one that conforms to the COUNTY's policy, it has acknowledged through a signed statement provided to COUNTY that CONSULTANT will conform to the COUNTY's non-discrimination policy as provided in R-2014-1421, as amended.

ARTICLE 22 - AUTHORITY TO PRACTICE

The CONSULTANT hereby represents and warrants that it has and will continue to maintain all licenses and approvals required to conduct its business, and that it will at all times conduct its business activities in a reputable manner. Proof of such licenses and approvals shall be submitted to the COUNTY's representative upon request.

ARTICLE 23 - SEVERABILITY

If any term or provision of this Contract, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall, to any extent, be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Contract, or the application of such terms or provision, to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected, and every other term and provision of this Contract shall be deemed valid and enforceable to the extent permitted by law.

ARTICLE 24 - PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

As provided in F.S. 287.132-133, by entering into this contract or performing any work in furtherance hereof, the CONSULTANT certifies that it, its affiliates, suppliers, subcontractors and consultants who will perform hereunder, have not been placed on the convicted vendor list maintained by the State of Florida Department of Management Services within the 36 months immediately preceding the date hereof. This notice is required by F.S. 287.133(3)(a).

ARTICLE 25 - MODIFICATIONS OF WORK

The COUNTY reserves the right to make changes in Scope of Work, including alterations, reductions therein or additions thereto. Upon receipt by the CONSULTANT of the COUNTY'S notification of a contemplated change, the CONSULTANT shall, in writing: (1) provide a detailed estimate for the increase or decrease in cost due to the contemplated change, (2) notify the COUNTY of any estimated change in the completion date, and (3) advise the COUNTY if the contemplated change shall affect the CONSULTANT'S ability to meet the completion dates or schedules of this Contract.

If the COUNTY so instructs in writing, the CONSULTANT shall suspend work on that portion of the Scope of Work affected by a contemplated change, pending the COUNTY'S decision to proceed with the change.

If the COUNTY elects to make the change, the COUNTY shall initiate a Contract Amendment and the CONSULTANT shall not commence work on any such change until such written amendment is signed by the CONSULTANT and approved and executed on behalf of Palm Beach County.

ARTICLE 26 - NOTICE

All notices required in this Contract shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivery or other delivery service requiring signed acceptance. If sent to the COUNTY, notices shall be addressed to:

Tonya Davis Johnson, Director
Office of Small Business Assistance
50 South Military Trail, Suite 202
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

With copy to:

Palm Beach County Attorney's Office
301 North Olive Ave.
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

If sent to the CONSULTANT, notices shall be addressed to:

Franklin M. Lee
Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP
1 East Pratt Street, Suite 901
Baltimore, MD 21202
Attention: Mr. Franklin Lee, Esq., Partner

ARTICLE 27 - ENTIRETY OF CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT

The COUNTY and the CONSULTANT agree that this Contract sets forth the entire agreement between the parties, and that there are no promises or understandings other than those stated herein. None of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in this Contract may be added to, modified, superseded or otherwise altered, except by written instrument executed by the parties hereto in accordance with Article 25- Modifications of Work.

ARTICLE 28 - CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK

If CONSULTANT'S employees or subcontractors are required under this contract to enter a "critical facility," as identified in Resolution R-2003-1274, the CONSULTANT shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 2, Article IX of the Palm Beach County Code ("Criminal History Records Check" section). The CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that all employees and subcontractors who are to enter a "critical facility" will be subject to a fingerprint based criminal history records check. Although COUNTY agrees to pay for all applicable FDLE/FBI fees required for criminal history record checks, the CONSULTANT shall be solely responsible for the financial, schedule, and staffing implications associated in complying with this section of the Palm Beach County Code.

ARTICLE 29 - REGULATIONS; LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

The CONSULTANT shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the services contemplated herein, to include those applicable to conflict of interest and collusion. CONSULTANT is presumed to be familiar with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, codes and regulations that may in any way affect the services offered.

ARTICLE 30- SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES (when contract value is greater than \$1 million)

As provided in F.S. 287.135, by entering into this Contract or performing any work in furtherance hereof, the CONSULTANT certifies that it, its affiliates, suppliers, subcontractors and consultants who will perform hereunder, have not been placed on the Scrutinized Companies With Activities in Sudan List or Scrutinized Companies With Activities in The Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List created pursuant to F.S. 215.473, or on the Scrutinized Companies that boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, pursuant to F.S. 215.4725, or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

If the County determines, using credible information available to the public, that a false certification has been submitted by CONSULTANT, this Contract may be terminated and a civil penalty equal to the greater of \$2 million or twice the amount of this Contract shall be imposed, pursuant to F.S. 287.135.

ARTICLE 30 - PUBLIC RECORDS

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, as provided under Section 119.0701, F.S., if the Consultant: (i) provides a service; and (ii) acts on behalf of the County as provided under Section 119.011(2) F.S., the Consultant shall comply with the requirements of Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, as it may be amended from time to time. The Consultant is specifically required to:

- A. Keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform services as provided under this Contract.
- B. Upon request from the County's Custodian of Public Records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law. The Consultant further agrees that all fees, charges and expenses shall be determined in accordance with Palm Beach County PPM CW-F-002, Fees Associated with Public Records Requests, as it may be amended or replaced from time to time.
- C. Ensure that public records that are exempt, or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the Contract, if the Consultant does not transfer the records to the public agency.
- D. Upon completion of the Contract the Consultant shall transfer, at no cost to the County, all public records in possession of the Consultant unless notified by County's representative/liaison, on behalf of the County's Custodian of Public Records, to keep

and maintain public records required by the County to perform the service. If the Consultant transfers all public records to the County upon completion of the Contract, the Consultant shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt, or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Consultant keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Contract, the Consultant shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically by the Consultant must be provided to County, upon request of the County's Custodian of Public Records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of County, at no cost to County.

Failure of the Consultant to comply with the requirements of this article shall be a material breach of this Contract. County shall have the right to exercise any and all remedies available to it, including but not limited to, the right to terminate for cause. Consultant acknowledges that it has familiarized itself with the requirements of Chapter 119, F.S., and other requirements of state law applicable to public records not specifically set forth herein.

IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT RECORDS REQUEST, PALM BEACH COUNTY PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, 301 N. OLIVE AVENUE, WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33401, BY E-MAIL AT RECORDSREQUEST@PBCGOV.ORG OR BY TELEPHONE AT 561-355-6680.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida has made and executed this Contract on behalf of the COUNTY and CONSULTANT has hereunto set its hand the day and year above written.

ATTEST:
SHARON R. BOCK
CLERK AND COMPTROLLER

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Mayor

WITNESS:

CONSULTANT:

Signature

Tvdings & Rosenberg LLP
Company Name

Name (type or print)

Franklin M. Lee
Signature

Signature

Franklin M. Lee
Typed Name

Name (type or print)

Partner
Title

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

(corp. seal) Not applicable.

By _____
County Attorney

APPROVED AS TO TERMS
AND CONDITIONS

By *[Signature]*
Department Director

Scope of Work for Consulting Services

The following tasks will be performed by CONSULTANT on behalf of Palm Beach County:

I. Factual Predicate/ Disparity Study Review and Analysis

- A. **Draft Study Review.** Provide an independent and detailed critical review of the draft disparity study as submitted by Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd. This review will include an assessment of methodology and data sources as examined against the current legal framework for studies, and the legal defensibility of findings and various program and policy recommendations. This detailed critique of the draft study will also provide recommendations for improvements and modifications. This review is intended to help the County ensure that Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd. has performed the scope of work and complied with specifications within the terms of its contract, and that Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd.'s policy recommendations are adequately supported by underlying evidence and data. Deliverables will include a summary memorandum (or series of summaries) outlining the findings from this critical review of study methodology, data sources, findings and recommendations. In addition, a redlined version of the draft disparity study will be provided reflecting the detailed comments and issues identified as part of the disparity study review process.
- B. **Clarification of Identified Issues.** Under the direction of the County, identify and seek clarification from Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd. regarding any issues or statements contained in the draft disparity study that are unclear and in need of further illumination.

II. Policy Recommendations

Narrowly Tailored Remedies. Based upon the nature of identified barriers, and the strength of the evidence in the draft disparity study that supports the disparity study's policy recommendations and suggested practices to enhance economic inclusion, outline a series of race- and gender-neutral and race- and gender-conscious policy recommendations narrowly tailored to the Study's findings and recommendations, and that represent "best practices" from other jurisdictions in addressing marketplace disparities.

III. Presentation of Findings

CONSULTANT will make two formal presentations that summarize these findings and recommendations, and proposed next steps in the policy deliberation phase that follows submission of the final disparity study report. Those presentations will be made in person to key County staff, and then to the County Board of Commissioners.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

The Scope of Work to be completed by CONSULTANT as defined in Exhibit "A" consists of specific completion phases which shall be clearly identified on a phase-by-phase basis upon submission to the COUNTY of certain "deliverables"* as expressly indicated below. Compensation for the work tasks stated herein shall be in accordance with the following Schedule of Payments:

PHASE 1

Task(s) to be Completed:

**Begin Factual Predicate/Disparity Study Review and Analysis (See Exhibit A),
Draft Study Review, Clarification of Identified Issues**

Completion Time: Forty-five (45) calendar days after Chapters 1-8 of draft disparity study are forwarded to CONSULTANT

Compensation for Phase 1: Not to Exceed \$16,000.00

Deliverable(s) Required: Summary memorandum (or series of summaries) outlining the findings from the critical review of disparity study methodology, data sources, findings and recommendations.

PHASE 2

Task(s) to be Completed:

**Complete Factual Predicate/Disparity Study Review and Analysis (See Exhibit A)
Complete Policy Recommendations (See Exhibit A)**

Completion Time: Thirty (30) calendar days after completion of PHASE 1

Compensation for Phase 2: Not to Exceed \$16,000.00

Deliverable(s) Required: 1) Redlined version of the draft disparity study, reflecting the detailed comments and issues identified as part of the disparity study review process; 2) Outline of race- and gender-neutral and race- and gender-conscious policy recommendations narrowly tailored to the study's findings and recommendations, and that represent "best practices" from other jurisdictions in addressing marketplace disparities.

PHASE 3

Task(s) to be Completed:

Presentation of Findings (See Exhibit A)

Completion Time: January 31, 2018

Compensation for Phase 3: Not to Exceed \$7,500.00

Deliverable(s) Required: Two formal presentations summarizing findings, recommendations, and proposed next steps in the policy deliberation phase, presentations to be made in person to key County staff and to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.

* "Deliverables" shall be defined as progress reports, prepared maps, bid documents, completed drawings, specific reports, work plans, documentation of meetings attended, assessment study reports, analysis reports, summary reports, recommendation reports and related draft reports and verifiable deliverables.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
BUDGET TRANSFER**

0001 General Fund

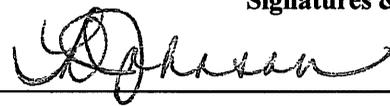
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<u>EXPENDITURES</u>								
760-7613-3401	Other Contractual Services	0	0	39,500	0	39,500	0	39,500
820-9900-9901	Contingency Reserves	20,000,000	20,000,000	0	39,500	19,960,500	0	19,960,500
TOTALS				39,500	39,500			

Signatures & Dates

**By Board of County Commissioners
At Meeting of 10/03/2017**

Office of Small Business Assistance
INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
Administration/Budget Department Approval
OFMB Department - Posted



**Deputy Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners**