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Agenda Item #: **34-15**

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: August 25, 2020

Consent

Regular

Ordinance

Public Hearing

Department: Facilities Development & Operations

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Contract with Currie Sowards Aguila Architects, Inc. to provide architectural and engineering services for the development and implementation of a Fire Rescue Comprehensive Fire Station Capital Improvements Program until the project achieves final completion.

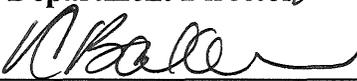
Summary: This is a phased project to develop and implement a comprehensive capital improvements program for all County-owned and managed fire stations. The design team will evaluate each station in order to determine compliance with new design, safety and staffing standards. Subsequently, the design team will develop a conceptual scope of work that ensures that each station is in compliance. The stations shall be evaluated in order of age, with the oldest stations being evaluated first. The phases generally consist of programmatic evaluation, prototypical designs, renewal/replacement (R/R) design, and new construction design. The design plans are subject to reuse under F.S. 287.055(1). This effort seeks to have older stations conform to the same standards as the recently built stations. The conceptual scope of work resulting from the programmatic evaluations will support Fire Recues' revised Comprehensive Plan. The solicitation for design professionals was advertised on December 15, 2019 according to the Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Program, with the final selection taking place on June 26, 2020. The project was presented to the Goal Setting Committee on December 4, 2019 that established an affirmative procurement initiative (API) requiring a minimum mandatory goal of 25% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) participation and awarding 15 points evaluation preference for SBE participation. The firm is a SBE. The prime consultant has committed to 52% S/W/MBE participation. The consultant is a local firm. The total project cost is estimated at \$125 million. This project will be funded from the Fire Rescue Improvement Fund. **Capital Improvements Division) Countywide (LDC)**

Background and Justification: Selection was performed on June 26, 2020 in accordance with Board adopted procedures pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055 (Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act). Professional services will include site planning, programming, design, construction documents, permitting and construction administration services. The consultant provided hourly rates, which will be the basis for the negotiation of the scope of each phase of the project. Work will be authorized through individual consultant services authorizations.

Attachments:

1. Disclosure of Ownership Interests
2. Contract for Currie Sowards Aguila Architects, Inc.

Recommended By:  7/30/20
 Department Director Date

Approved By:  8/13/2020
 County Administrator Date

