

# **TOWN OF PALM BEACH**

Information for Town Council Meeting on: June 11, 2019

---

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

FROM: H. Paul Brazil, P.E., Director of Public Works

RE: Approve a Purchase Order for 2019 FDEP BMA Cell-Wide Biological  
Monitoring  
**Resolution No. 43-2019**

DATE: May 23, 2019

---

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No. 43-2019 approving a purchase order to Coastal Eco-Group, Inc. (CEG), in the amount of \$199,856 to complete the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Beach Management Agreement (BMA) required annual 2019 Palm Beach Island Cell-Wide Biological Monitoring, and establishing a Biological Monitoring Phase budget of \$220,000.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Coastal Eco-Group, Inc. (CEG), and their sub-consultant, Tetra Tech, Inc., have together performed the majority of the biological monitoring for the Town since 2009. These two (2) firms worked together with FDEP and the BMA participants to develop a biological monitoring program for the BMA that was acceptable to all applicable parties.

The CEG comprehensive scope of work, dated May 21, 2019, includes two (2) primary tasks that are required to meet regulatory obligations under the BMA. These tasks include, nearshore environmental resources mapping, and both benthic and sedimentation analyses with reporting.

Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment Project Year 2 post-construction monitoring, required by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will be performed under a separate authorization. CEG's scope of work satisfies all other regulatory required biological monitoring for the 2019 calendar year.

Town staff is working with FDEP staff to identify any potential State cost-sharing for this regionally beneficial work effort. The Town has been successful in previous years with obtaining State cost-sharing for annual required biological monitoring work.

## **FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT**

The Coastal Protection Fund includes sufficient funds to accomplish CEG's May 21, 2019 annual BMA required scope of work proposal.

### **PURCHASING REVIEW**

This item has been reviewed by the Purchasing Division and approved as recommended.

### **TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW**

This proposed Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney for legal form and sufficiency.

### **Attachments**

cc: Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance  
Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager  
Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager