

# TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: March 10, 2020

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TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

VIA: Jane Le Clainche, CPA Finance Director

FROM: Dean Mealy, CPPO Town Purchasing Manager

RE: Resolution to Approve the Direct Owner Purchase of Associated Pumps and Control Panels for the D-16 and D-18 Pump Stations in the amount of \$502,383 and establish a project budget of \$512,383, **Resolution No. 15-2020**

DATE: 27 February 2020

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## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve the Direct Owner Purchase of associated pump and control panels for the D-16 and D-18 pump stations in the amount of \$502,383 and establish a project budget of \$512,383. The Direct Owner Purchase will provide a tax cost savings of approximately \$35,000.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Purchasing issued Invitation to Bid No. 2020-04 for the rehabilitation of the D-16 and D-18 pump stations on December 10, 2019.

This project entailed the replacement of the pumps, pump canisters, discharge pipes, and related electrical equipment for the D-16 pump station (western end of Jungle Road) and D-18 pump station (western end of El Brillo Way). In addition, there are non-mechanical elements of the work including structural repairs and additions to concrete sea walls, placement of rock rip-rap to prevent erosion in the Lake Worth Lagoon and minor landscaping and paving site work. The work was advertised with the intention of selecting the lowest bid Contractor and issuing a Purchase Order by April 1st and beginning field work on May 1st. This schedule allowed for the Contractor to assume the responsibility of purchasing all equipment directly as part of their scope of services and bid pricing.

Subsequent to the review of the submitted bids, it was determined that a change in the project requirements would necessitate the design of the project be modified and re-advertised thereby restarting the bid and award process. All five responders to Bid No. 2020-04 were notified that the bid would not be awarded.

The effect of this change meant that the selected Contractor would not be issued a Purchase Order early enough to order the mechanical and electrical items that are not in stock or readily available. Chen Moore recommended that to maintain the schedule for construction within the

off-season, the Town should direct purchase “long lead” items such as the pumps, pump cans and electrical control equipment. This will allow for the manufacturers to construct, test and ship the long lead items on a parallel schedule with the Town’s bid and award process. Considering this approach, the bid documents (contract, design plans and technical specifications) have been modified to clearly delineate the responsibilities of the Town and the Contractor with respect to purchasing the equipment (Town), accepting delivery of the equipment (Contractor), and installing the equipment (Contractor). The following items are recommended for direct purchase by the Town:

1. Flygt - PL7030/640 38HP Pumps (4)
2. Flygt - 316L Pump Tubes (4)
3. Flygt - 316L Wall Thimbles (4)
4. CC Control Corp – Duplex Pump Station Control Panels (2)
5. CC Control Corp – Wet Well Level Transducers (2)
6. CC Control Corp – Wet Well Floats (2)

In consultation with Chen-Moore and Associates, Inc. a decision was made to Direct Purchase the Pumps, Motors and Control Panels which would save the Town approximately \$35,000 in sales tax in addition to markup by a contractor of the materials. A subsequent bid was issued for the rehabilitation and installation of Town owned materials on February 27, 2020. This procurement approach is estimated to have a lower cost to the Town for both materials and the actual rehabilitation work of installation.

The pumps are being purchased through the Orange County Contract with Flygt. This contract provides best pricing to the Town.

The control panels are being purchased directly from CC Controls. The panels have been designated as a single source commodity based on being the industry standard for pump stations. By standardizing to one brand of control panels, it allows for better management of assets related to maintenance.

### **FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding for the equipment for this project is contained within the FY 2020 Pay As You Go Capital Improvement Plan.

### **PUBLIC WORKS REVIEW**

This item has been reviewed by the Public Works and approved as recommended.

### **TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW**

This format has been utilized by the Town in previous recommendations and was approved by the Town Attorney.

Attachments

cc: Paul Brazil, Public Works Director

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Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer  
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