



Pinellas County

Staff Report

Approved by Board of County Commissioners 4/22/2025

File #: 25-0424A, **Version:** 1

Agenda Date: 4/22/2025

Subject:

First Amendments with Ardurra Group, Inc., Black & Veatch Corporation, and McKim & Creed, Inc. for Utilities Engineering Consulting Services.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the First Amendments with Ardurra Group, Inc., Black & Veatch Corporation, and McKim & Creed, Inc. for Utilities Engineering Consulting Services.

- This contract provides for Utilities Engineering Consulting Services.
- These First Amendments increase the contracts for Ardurra Group, Inc. (Ardurra), Black & Veatch Corporation, and McKim & Creed, Inc. by \$1,000,000.00 each, for a total of \$3,000,000.00.
- These amendments will provide funding for specific ongoing work that these three firms are engaged in on County operations and projects including:
 - Ardurra - FDOT - U.S. 19 Utility Relocations
 - Black & Veatch Corporation - Potable Water System Hydraulic Model
 - McKim & Creed, Inc. - SCADA System
- This contract was awarded by the Board of County Commissioners to sixteen firms on April 27, 2021, in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 each and a combined total of \$40,000,000.00 for a term of five years.
- These contracts are funded and used on an as-needed basis. Funding for these contracts is available in FY25 (and will likely be proposed in FY26) in the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund, Water Renewal and Replacement Fund, Sewer Revenue and Operating Fund, and the Water Revenue and Operating Fund.

Contract No. 190-0457-CN increase in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 for a revised not to exceed expenditure of \$43,000,000.00, effective through April 26, 2026; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.4 Invest in infrastructure to meet current and future needs

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

This Amendment provides additional funding for Ardurra to continue to provide engineering services during construction and construction observation for the Utility Relocation for FDOT US 19 Main to Northside Project 001522A and Utility Relocation for FDOT US 19 Northside to CR 95 Project

001523A through the extended completion date of September 26, 2025. Additionally, due to the complexity and ongoing conflicts arising from the construction work, full-time field representation is needed to ensure Pinellas County Utilities best interests are protected. This Amendment will provide additional funding for Ardurra to continue to provide these services.

Black & Veatch is the keeper of our most up-to-date, and calibrated potable water system hydraulic model and due to their familiarity with the system they are able to provide quick turn around on input and/or recommendations associated with other projects that involve our water system as well as emergency scenarios such as a water main break. To have another consultant address these issues as they arise would require a big learning curve to familiarize themselves with the model, time to validate the model, and then the work itself, thereby tripling the cost and time for delivery. This Amendment will provide additional funding for Black & Veatch to continue to provide services.

Mckim and Creed have previously performed several jobs for our SCADA system, including the Cybersecurity Audit, SCADA Master Plan, SCADA Backup and Restore plan, and an Incident Response Plan that is nearly completed. They have gained in-depth knowledge of SCADA's system architecture, software, and virtualized environments. This expertise helps save time by eliminating the learning curve that another firm would need to overcome. Mckim and Creed is also working on a program standard for a new PLC platform where faster response to potential issues helps limit improper operation of the pumpstation. This Amendment will provide additional funding to continue to provide services.

Background Information:

This contract was awarded by the Board of County Commissioners on April 27, 2021, in the amount of \$40,000,000.00 for a term of five years.

Fiscal Impact:

Original Award	\$40,000,000.00
First Amendment - Ardurra Group, Inc.	\$ 1,000,000.00
First Amendment - Black & Veatch Corporation	\$ 1,000,000.00
First Amendment - McKim & Creed, Inc.	<u>\$ 1,000,000.00</u>
Revised Total Contract Amount	\$43,000,000.00

Funding for this contract is budgeted but not specifically identifiable in the FY25-30 Capital Improvement Plan or the FY25 Operating Budget because the contract establishes a not to exceed value, with obligation occurring upon issuance of task order assignments (purchase orders). Funding is determined by the individual task order assignment sourced to the agreement, and actual expenditures are contingent upon work completed. The department may appropriate the full not-to-exceed amount or less. Task orders for studies will be funded by the Sewer Revenue and Operating Fund and the Water Revenue and Operating Fund, while task orders for capital project design will be funded by the Sewer Renewal and Replacement Fund and the Water Renewal and Replacement Fund.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jeremy Waugh, Director of Utilities

Merry Celeste, Purchasing Director, Administrative Services

Joe Lauro, Director of Administrative Services

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

First Amendment - Ardurra Group, Inc.

First Amendment - Black & Veatch Corporation

First Amendment - McKim & Creed, Inc.

FIRST AMENDMENT

This Amendment is made and entered into on the date last executed below ("Effective Date"), by and between Pinellas County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as "County," and Ardurra Group, Inc., Tampa, FL hereinafter referred to as "Contractor," (individually referred to as "Party", collectively "Parties").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County and the Contractor entered into an agreement on April 27, 2021, pursuant to Pinellas County Contract No. 190-0457-CN (hereinafter "Agreement") pursuant to which the Contractor agreed to provide Utilities Engineering Consulting Services for County; and

WHEREAS, Section twenty-five (25) of the Agreement permits modification by mutual written agreement of the parties; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Contractor now wish to modify the Agreement in order to provide for an increase to the total expenditure amount in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for a new total not-to-exceed expenditure of \$3,500,000.00, at the same prices, terms, and conditions;

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree that the Agreement is amended as follows:

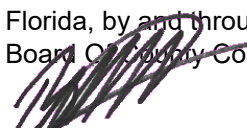
1. The not-to-exceed total expenditure is revised to reflect an increase in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for a revised not-to-exceed total expenditure of \$3,500,000.00.
2. Except as changed or modified herein, all provisions and conditions of the original Agreement and any amendments thereto shall remain in full force and effect.

Each Party to this Amendment represents and warrants that: (i) it has the full right and authority and has obtained all necessary approvals to enter into this Amendment; (ii) each person executing this Amendment on behalf of the Party is authorized to do so; (iii) this Amendment constitutes a valid and legally binding obligation of the Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties herein have caused this First Amendment to be executed by their undersigned officials, who are duly authorized to bind the Parties to the Agreement.

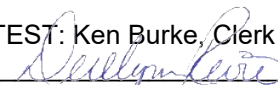
PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, a
Political subdivision of the State of
Florida, by and through its
Board of County Commissioners




Chairman

Date: April 22, 2025.

ATTEST: Ken Burke, Clerk of the Circuit Court


Deputy Clerk

Date: April 22, 2025.

CONSULTANT: **Ardurra Group, Inc.**



Authorized Signature

Christopher F. Kuzler

Printed Authorized Signature

Southeast Operations Director

Title Authorized Signature

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: 
Office of the County Attorney

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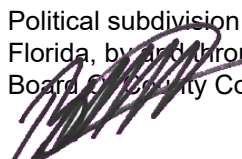
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Date: April 22, 2025.

CONSULTANT: **Black & Veatch Corporation**



Authorized Signature

Robert Burchett

Printed Authorized Signature

F&C Area Execution Lead

Title Authorized Signature

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: Miles Belknap
Office of the County Attorney

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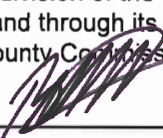
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Deputy Clerk

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CONSULTANT: **McKim & Creed, Inc.**



Authorized Signature

Mitch Chiavaroli
Printed Authorized Signature

Assist. VP Engineering
Title Authorized Signature

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: Miles Belknap
Office of the County Attorney