



# Pinellas County

## Staff Report

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**File #:** 22-1063A, **Version:** 1

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### **Subject:**

Award of bid to New Era Electric, Inc. for installation of steel mast arms and signalization equipment at three locations (Group 1).

### **Recommended Action:**

Approval of the award of bid to New Era Electric, Inc. for installation of steel mast arms and signalization equipment at three locations (Group 1).

- This project consists of removing existing span wire signalization and installation of steel mast arms, new traffic controller cabinet equipment, detection equipment, and improvements to meet current ADA guidelines, at three locations:
  - a.) West Bay Drive at Indian Rocks Road;
  - b.) U.S. Highway 19 at Roosevelt Boulevard; and
  - c.) Seminole Boulevard at 126<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- One responsible, responsive bid was received from New Era Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$1,996,485.48; other contractors who demonstrated interest were contacted and stated they were too busy to take on this work.
- All work will be completed within 270 consecutive calendar days.
- This contract is the first of four groups of mast arm projects funded in part by a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). Groups 2, 3 and 4 are advertised for solicitation with contracts forthcoming.
- The HMGP provides funding for improvement of sixteen intersections with steel mast arms. Funding for the sixteen locations was approved using 65% Federal funds and a 35% local match from Penny for Pinellas.
- Project is budgeted under the Capital Improvement Program, Transportation Function, Project ID 004183A Countywide Traffic Signalization Improvements.

Contract No. 23-0183-ITB-CP, in the amount of \$1,996,485.48 with all work completed within 270 consecutive calendar days; 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

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

### **Summary:**

This project consists of the removal of the existing span wire signalization and installation of steel mast arms at three (3) locations - West Bay Drive at Indian Rocks Road, US 19 at Roosevelt Boulevard, and Seminole Boulevard at 126th Avenue. The project will include new traffic controller cabinet equipment, detection equipment, and improvements to meet current ADA guidelines.

**Background Information:**

The Invitation to Bid was advertised on October 28, 2022, with bid opening scheduled for December 1, 2022. One responsible, responsive bid was received from New Era Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$1,996,485.48; other contractors were contacted and stated they were too busy to take on this work.

In August 2018, Public Works submitted a grant application for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding for the improvement of sixteen (16) intersections with steel mast arms. Funding for the sixteen locations was approved on October 17, 2019, using 65% Federal funds with a 35% local match. The sixteen intersections were placed into 4 groups for design and construction. This award is for Group 1. Group 2 is currently advertised for construction. Bids are under evaluation for Group 3 and Group 4 will be advertised in January 2023.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding sources for this project include:

HMGP Funds:	\$1,297,715.56
<u>Infrastructure Sales Tax (Penny for Pinellas):</u>	<u>\$698,769.92</u>
Total:	\$1,996,485.48

This project is budgeted under the Capital Improvement Program, Transportation Function as 004183A Countywide Traffic Signalization Improvements.

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Kelli Hammer Levy, Director, Public Works  
Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing & Risk, Administrative Services  
Joe Lauro, Director, Administrative Services

**Partners:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

Agreement  
Tabulation of Bids  
Project Location Map