



Pinellas County

Staff Report

File #: 18-1722A, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Ratification of the First Amendment and approval of the Second Amendment to the disaster debris collection and removal services agreement with DRC Emergency Services, LLC for biological hazard services related to red tide remediation. (Companion to Item No. 42)

Recommended Action:

Ratify, confirm and enter into the minutes the County Administrator approved First Amendment to the Agreement with DRC Emergency Services, LLC (DRC) for disaster debris collection and removal services specifically related to red tide remediation services.

Additionally, approve the Second Amendment to the Agreement with DRC for continued red tide remediation services.

Contract no. 156-0491-P(JA) increase in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 for a revised expenditure in the amount of \$6,300,748.70 through completion of red tide remediation. Authorize the Chairman to sign and Clerk of Court to attest.

- The County Administrator approved award of the Debris Collection Contract on August 7, 2017 with seven (7) firms. Ratification of the County Administrator's approval was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on October 13, 2017.
- The County Administrator approved the First Amendment to the Debris Collection Contract on September 21, 2018 due to the red tide emergency adding pay items and increasing the contract expenditure to accommodate red tide clean up.
- After soliciting fees from firms awarded the Debris Collection Contract staff recommended proceeding with DRC as their fees were lower in price for most pay items.
- Funding for this work is available from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection grant mentioned in the previous item.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Practice Superior Environmental Stewardship

3.2 Preserve and manage environmental lands, beaches, parks, and historical assets

3.3 Protect and improve the quality of our water, air, and other natural resources

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:

The Second Amendment to the Agreement requests the addition of pay items for Waste Management bags, dumpster liners and dura-base mats. In addition there is an increase in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 to the original approved amount of \$1,300,748.70 to provide for continued red tide remediation.

Background Information:

As provided by County code, the County Administrator approved the First Amendment to the Debris Collection Contract on September 21, 2018 due to the red tide emergency adding pay items and increasing the contract expenditure.

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During August 2018, the Governor issued Executive Order 18-221 declaring a state of emergency due to impacts of red tide in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee, Hillsborough, and Pinellas counties. Through the executive order, state funding is available to respond to red tide impacts in southwest Florida and the Tampa Bay area. The County continues to see varying concentration levels of red tide resulting in significant impacts to marine life. Based on the best available information, red tide may continue to cause significant impacts to the County and therefore an increase in a funding assistance grant has been requested to cover the expenses associated with contractual services to remove and dispose of red tide related debris. The County will continue to be the recipient of the funds from the Florida Department Environmental Protection (FDEP) and will perform any clean up requested by the other municipalities. The County has received \$3,300,748.70 from the FDEP and will be authorized to receive an additional \$3 million through Amendment 2, a companion item on the Board of County Commissioners agenda for November 20, 2018. In the event additional resources are needed, the FDEP has indicated they can amend the agreement to add additional funding.

Fiscal Impact:

County Administrator approved expenditure not to exceed:	\$1,300,748.70
Increase not to exceed:	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>
Revised expenditure not to exceed:	\$6,300,748.70

100% funded by FDEP

Staff Member Responsible:

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Kelli Hammer-Levy, Manager, Environmental Management, Public Works

Joe Lauro, Director, Purchasing

Partners:

FDEP

Attachments:

Second Amendment with Exhibit C