



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Award of bid to Bandes Construction Company, Inc. for the Tampa Bay Innovation Center Incubator project.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the award of bid to Bandes Construction Company, Inc (Bandes). for the Tampa Bay Innovation Center Incubator project.

- This project consists of constructing a two-story 45,000 sq. ft. facility to house the Tampa Bay Innovation Center business incubator. The facility will include approximately 30,000 sq. ft. of client space, plus co-working/collaboration space, offices, and a conference/community room. Parking will be under a portion of the building and at the rear of the facility.
- Five bids were received with Bandes Construction Company, Inc. recommended for award as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$14,706,448.00.
- All work will be completed within 578 consecutive calendar days from Notice to Proceed.
- Federal funds are being utilized for this project, therefore by grant requirements the County Small Business Enterprise (SBE) program could not be considered as the SBE contains geographic preference. County SBE qualified firms have been provided to Bandes and their participation is encouraged throughout construction of the project.

Contract No. 21-0227-CP(PLU); in the amount of \$14,706,448.00. Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

Deliver First-Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

Summary:

Contract work consists of construction of a two-story 45,000 sq. ft. facility to house the Tampa Bay Innovation Center business incubator. The facility will include approximately 30,000 sq. ft. of client space, plus co-working/collaboration space, offices, and a conference/community room. Parking will be under a portion of the building and also at the rear of the facility.

Background Information:

On July 29, 2019 the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) awarded the County a grant to help fund design and construction of the Tampa Bay Innovation Center Incubator, at state-of-the-art business incubator located in an Opportunity Zone in St. Petersburg. The incubator will enhance and strengthen the entrepreneurial ecosystem by providing affordable and quality office space for product development for growing businesses in the region.

Fiscal Impact:

Award amount not to exceed \$14,706,448.00

Funding is derived from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant, Local Infrastructure Sales Surtax (Penny for Pinellas), General Fund, and other miscellaneous funding sources.

Staff Member Responsible:

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Partners:

U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Attachments:

Agreement

Bid Tabulation