



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Award of bid to QRC Inc. for the annual water and reclaimed water repairs and extensions for Fiscal Years 2022-2024.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the award of bid and agreement with QRC Inc. for the annual water and reclaimed water repairs and extension for Fiscal Years 2022-2024

- This is a twenty-four-month contract for the repair, rehabilitation, and replacement of water and reclaimed water pipes, manholes, and other infrastructure, including emergency repairs on an as needed basis.
- Total estimated expenditure in the amount of \$5,135,600.00 for two years and is approximately an 18% increase from the prior contract for the same duration.
- This contract will replace current contract no. 190-0087-CP(PLU), Annual Potable Water and Reclaimed Water Repair Services in the original award amount of \$4,332,242.00 for two years. Due to several large emergency repairs, the current contract has insufficient remaining funds.
- Two bids were received with the award recommendation to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- This contract includes 8% small business enterprise commitment from QRC Inc.
- Funding is derived through the Utilities water and sewer operating funds.

Bid No. 22-0397-CP, PID No. 002246E, award in the amount of \$5,135,600.00 for two years; Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Practice Superior Environmental Stewardship

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

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

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

5.4 Strive to exceed customer expectations

Summary:

The purpose of this contract is to repair, rehabilitate, and replace water and reclaimed water pipes,

valves, manholes, and appurtenances at various locations throughout the County. This work order contract is needed for emergency repair services to maintain continuity of operations and to provide reliable water and reclaimed water services to Pinellas County customers. This contract also includes expedited project work. This approach reduces the overall construction timeframe and provides benefits to customers with a quicker turnaround for repair and services. It also provides the flexibility to address unanticipated infrastructure needs (i.e., emergency failures) and provides the ability to quickly mitigate pipeline and valve breaks, failures, water loss, and damage to adjacent property and roads.

Background Information:

On April 15, 2022, the Purchasing and Risk Management Division, on behalf of the Utilities Department (PCU) released an invitation to bid to establish a contract for water and reclaimed water repairs and extensions to be ordered on an as-needed basis. This contract will replace the current contract no. 190-0087-CP(PLU), Annual Potable Water and Reclaimed Water Repair Services in the original award amount of \$4,332,242.00 for two years. The current contract has insufficient remaining funds due to several large emergency repairs. These large emergency repairs included four water pipe repairs ranging from 10” to 42” that cost a total of over \$3,824,381.00. An emergency change order was requested in the amount of \$878,928.49 to handle the additional price of these repairs for a revised prior contract total of \$5,211,170.49.

Fiscal Impact:

Services not-to-exceed (total contract): \$5,135,600.00

Funding is derived from the sewer and water renewal and replacement fund.

Staff Member Responsible:

Hillary Weber, Acting Director, Utilities
Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing & Risk, Administrative Services
Joe Lauro, Director, Administrative Services

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

Agreement
Bid tabulation