EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation of \$500,000 or Greater FY20-118 – Emergency Debris Clean Up and Removal Services

Introduction

Responsible: Procurement & Warehousing Services (PWS)

This request is to approve the recommendation to award Invitation to Bid (ITB) FY20-118 – Emergency Debris Clean Up and Removal Services for a period of one (1) year from December 1, 2019 through November 30, 2020, and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), and the Awardee, be renewed for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. SBBC recognizes the need to perform efficient and timely cleanup of debris generated after a storm/natural disaster. Implementation of this Agreement will ensure SBBC's debris removal program will be in accordance with local, state, and federal guidelines. In an effort to help maximize eligible Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursements, ensure a time-efficient cleanup of sites, and establish a pre-determined price, a pre-event debris hauler contract should save the District time and money. Physical Plant Operations (PPO) utilizes this Bid for the cleanup and removal of hazardous debris from District-wide sites after a severe storm, natural disaster, or similar event.

The requested spending authority being requested is \$2,000,000.

Goods/Services Description

Responsible: Physical Plant Operations (PPO)

This contract will be activated in the event debris generated from a disaster exceeds SBBC's capability to manage the clean-up internally. A successful debris removal operation requires a collaborative effort between SBBC, the chosen debris haulers, and external agencies. This Bid will help the District maximize eligible FEMA reimbursement dollars on future storm/debris removal costs. The disaster debris hauling contractors have a pre-negotiated contract and are on-call to SBBC following a natural disaster.

Funding following a natural disaster/hurricane will depend on the damage inflicted from the event. Hurricanes can range from a category one (1) (maximum wind speed is ninety-five (95) miles per hour) to a category five (5) (maximum wind speeds of over one hundred fifty-seven (157) miles per hour) storm. There is no guarantee that a higher category hurricane will inflict more damage than a lower category.

Payment for these Agreements may be reimbursed by federal grant programs under FEMA's Public Assistance Grant Program. FEMA encourages all governmental entities to identify disaster debris clearance and removal service providers prior to an emergency. The establishment of this contract should limit the District's exposure to potential non-reimbursement following a Presidential Disaster Declaration.

Debris removal operations are often time-consuming and costly. This Bid is a component of Risk Management's Emergency Management Plan (Debris Management), which evaluates the potential for large scale debris removal and disposal operations. This Bid also gives the District guidance in planning, organizing, mobilizing, and controlling removal and disposal of debris. A properly executed debris management plan will put the District in a better position as an applicant for public assistance.

Oversight, monitoring, and request for FEMA reimbursement of debris removal operations on this Bid will be provided by General Consultants working on Bid 17-142R Debris Monitoring Services for Natural Disasters.

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Procurement Method Responsible: PWS

The solicitation for this ITB ran from August 23, 2019 through September 16, 2019, where five-hundred and fifteen (515) vendors were notified, and seventeen (17) vendors downloaded the ITB documentation. Procurement & Warehousing Services received four (4) responses, and four (4) vendors are being recommended for the award. The bid has a primary and three (3) alternate vendors who met all specifications, terms, and conditions of the ITB. Including alternate awardees allows for the continuity of services in the event that the primary vendor cannot comply with delivery requirements, specifications, or in emergency cases.

The Affirmative Procurement Initiative implemented in this solicitation is the M/WBE Annual Aspirational Goals.

Financial Impact Responsible: PWS and PPO

The total spending authority requested is \$2,000,000, based on almost \$1,500,000 incurred for Hurricane Irma.

In the event of a storm/natural disaster requiring the use of this Bid, funding for will come from the Capital Reserve with the School Board's approval. The amount requested was determined based on the Department's requirements to satisfy the needs of the District. The financial impact amount represents an estimated contract value; however, the amount authorized will not exceed the estimated contract award amount. The District will work to seek reimbursements from FEMA, insurance carriers, and any other appropriate sources.

This Bid will only be used after a severe storm, natural disaster, or similar event. Since storm damages are not predictable, the District may request additional spending authority if impacted by a storm.