

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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TO: School Board Members

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VIA: Robert W. Runcie *RWR*
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SUBJECT: **REVISION TO EE-10, RECOMMENDATION FOR ADDITIONAL SPENDING AUTHORITY – 17-142R – DEBRIS MONITORING SERVICES FOR NATURAL DISASTERS, FOR THE DECEMBER 10, 2019, SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONAL MEETING**

Attached is a revision to EE-10, Recommendation for Additional Spending Authority – 17-142R – Debris Monitoring Services for Natural Disasters, for the December 10, 2019, School Board Operational Meeting.

Exhibits:

- Revised Agenda Request Form (*financial impact*)
- Revised Executive Summary page 1

RWR/MLW:bm

cc: Senior Leadership Team

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation for Additional Spending Authority 17-142R– Debris Monitoring Services for Natural Disasters

Introduction

Responsible: Procurement & Warehousing Services (PWS)

This request is to approve additional spending authority for the Request for Proposal (RFP) 17-142R – Debris Monitoring Services for Natural Disasters. The RFP was approved by the School Board on June 13, 2017, Agenda item EE-26, with an authorized spending authority of \$538,000. The term of this Bid is July 1, 2017 through May 31, 2020. Risk Management Department utilizes this RFP for debris, monitoring, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Consulting Services.

The additional spending authority requested is \$85,000. The new spending authority will be \$623,000.

Goods/Services Description

Responsible: Risk Management (RM)

Services provided under this Agreement entails Debris Monitoring and FEMA Consulting Services for natural disasters. This Agreement has been utilized to complete debris monitoring and FEMA consulting to maximize potential disaster funding recovery through FEMA.

To date, the District has spent \$185,285 with Witt O'Brien on debris monitoring and invoice reconciliation services. This work took place from September 2017 through March 2018. Monies spent (\$185,285) on debris monitoring are recoverable under Category A at ninety-five (95) percent from the Federal Government and the State of Florida.

Expenses incurred for FEMA consulting services currently amounts to ~~\$391,040~~ **\$271,672**. FEMA grant management activities began on September 2018 with a projected end date of June 2020. Fees expensed under grant management activities are recoverable from FEMA under Category Z, Direct Administrative Cost, at ninety-five (95) percent from the Federal Government and the State of Florida. Potential recovery for Direct Administrative Cost could amount to \$591,850.

Additional spending amounting to \$38,475 was also incurred for past disaster appeals on Hurricane Katrina (2005), Wilma (2005), and Matthew (2016). The appeals process led to a recovery of \$1,700,000 in funds, which were initially denied by FEMA. As of this date, the State of Florida has not released funds of (\$1,700,000) approved through FEMA.

To date, thirty-seven (37) project worksheets have been submitted to FEMA and are in various stages of payment, processing, and review. The District has begun receiving FEMA reimbursement payments for Category A (Debris Removal), Category B (Emergency Measures), and Category E (Permanent Repairs). Total FEMA funding received to date totals **\$1,415,658**.

Risk Management has completed debris monitoring services for Hurricane Irma. The submission of FEMA project worksheets has also been completed. The District will continue to submit supporting documentation to FEMA representatives to support documented project worksheet submissions.