



Interoffice Memorandum

September 30, 2019

To: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
and the Board of County Commissioners

From: *cm* Carrie Mathes, Manager, Procurement Division

Contact: Andres Salcedo P.E., Deputy Director, Utilities Department
407-254-9719

Subject: Approval to Award Invitation for Bids Y19-764-TA, Hamlin Water Reclamation Facility and Master Pump Station

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval to award Invitation for Bids Y19-764-TA, Hamlin Water Reclamation Facility and Master Pump Station, to the low responsive and responsible bidder, Wharton-Smith, Inc., for the total contract award amount of \$110,622,000, inclusive of additive 1.

PROCUREMENT:

This project consists of constructing a new 5 million gallons per day water reclamation facility, master pump station, and pipelines to transmit wastewater to the facility to be located in the southwest region of our utility system. The construction is required to provide wastewater and reclaimed water services in one of the fastest growing service areas in unincorporated Southwest Orange County. Sustainability components include construction of a water reclamation facility with efficient and state of the art equipment with more automation features to effectively collect, store, move, and treat water and wastewater. Additive 1 is for a builders risk insurance policy for this construction project. It was evaluated by Risk Management to be deemed reasonable in comparison to third party quotes received. This project is located in District 1.

FUNDING:

Funding is available in account number 4420-038-1507-6310.

APPROVALS:

The Utilities Engineering Division and the Business Development Division concur with this recommendation.

REMARKS:

This solicitation consisted of a two-step procurement process: Request for Qualifications, Step 1, followed by an Invitation for Bids, Step 2. Six responses were received in response to the Request for Qualifications. Two bids were received in response to the Invitation for Bids and were evaluated for responsiveness, responsibility, and price reasonableness. The other four prequalified bidders did not submit bids due to their current workload. Wharton-Smith, Inc. has a satisfactory record of performance and is considered responsible. Therefore, award is recommended to Wharton-Smith, Inc.

Approval to Award Invitation for Bids Y18-764-TA, Hamlin Water Reclamation Facility and Master Pump Station

<u>BIDDERS</u>	<u>BASE BID</u>	<u>ADDITIVE 1</u>	<u>BID TOTAL</u>
Wharton-Smith, Inc.	\$110,347,000	\$275,000	\$110,622,000
MWH Constructors, Inc.	\$122,491,015	\$500,000	\$122,991,015



BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

September 20, 2019

TO: Tracy Attenasio, Senior Contract Administrator
Procurement Division

FROM: Dexter Watts, Senior Contract Administrator
Business Development Division *DW*

SUBJECT: Business Development Division Bid Evaluation

PROJECT: Y19-764-TA / Hamlin Water Reclamation Facility and Master Pump Station – Base Bid + Additive 1

The Business Development Division evaluated the two bids submitted for this project. None of the bidders was an Orange County certified Minority/Women Business Enterprise. The scope of services for this project had Minority/Women Business Enterprise availability. At the time of bid opening, at least 63 M/WBE firms were certified to provide the scope of services at the subcontract level.

The apparent low bidder, Wharton-Smith, Inc., did not achieve good faith effort documentation and reported 3.88% M/WBE participation in their bid. Please note the following certified M/WBE participation:

Mbe-af	L & S Diversified, LLC	\$300,000
Wbe-wf	JML Advertising, Inc.	\$1,300
Mbe-afam	Sterling Silver Scape & Sod, Inc.	\$582,842
Mbe-afam	Tek Hauling, Inc.	\$522,371
Mbe-hm	Central Florida Construction Walls, Inc.	\$460,970
Wbe-wf	Flash-Rite, Inc.	\$4,690
Wbe-wf	The Pipe Nipple & Supply Company, Inc.	\$1,500,000
Mbe-afam	J. B. Mechanical, Inc.	\$924,876
Total M/WBE Participation		\$4,297,049 (3.88%)

The second low bid, submitted by MWH Constructors, Inc., did not achieve good faith effort documentation and reported 1.04% M/WBE participation in their bid. The bid was not within the M/WBE sliding scale range to be awarded this contract over the low bidder.

Our evaluation of these bids was based on the participation listed on the subcontractor/supplier page. If the low bidder is not chosen, please let us know so that we may obtain Letters of Intent to confirm the participation.

Sheena Ferguson

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Attached is a spreadsheet reconciling the bidders' compliance with the Invitation for Bid's M/WBE requirements, including the percentage breakdown for all bidders and a comparison of the relative bids versus participation percentages.

c: Sheena Ferguson, Manager, Business Development Division

BID COMPARISON - BASE BID + ADDITIVE 1**Y19-764-TA / Hamlin Water Reclamation Facility and Master Pump Station**

Rank	Bidder	Bid Amount	M/WBE \$'s in Bid	% M/WBE (Goal 19%)	GFE	\$ Over Low Bid	% Difference From Low Bid (3%)	\$ Over 2nd Low Bid	% Difference From 2nd Low Bid	EEO % M / W
Low Bid	Wharton-Smith, Inc.	\$110,622,000	\$4,297,049	3.88%	no					32/13
2nd Low	MWH Constructors, Inc.	\$122,991,015	\$1,279,762	1.04%	no	\$12,369,015	11.18%			18/12