

Blue Sheet No. 20160503	Lee County Board Of County Commissioners Agenda Item Report Meeting Date: 9/20/2016	Item No. 28
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TITLE:
Approve the selection of firms for Environmental Maintenance Contract (Exotic Plant Control)

ACTION REQUESTED:
A) Award Request for Proposal No. RFP160333, Environmental Maintenance Contract, to the following firms for use on an as-needed basis as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets: DeAngelo Brothers, LLC d/b/a Aquagenix; Earthbalance Corporation; Environmental Restoration Consultants, Inc.; Lake Masters Aquatic Weed Control, Inc.; Mettauer Environmental, Inc.; Milborne, LLC; Sandhill Environmental Services, LLC; Walker Exotic Tree Eradication & Mitigation LLC; Woods and Wetlands, Inc. The contract terms will be for two years with no renewal options.

B) Authorize the Chair to execute contracts on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

FUNDING:
Funding in accordance with County's adopted budget; available within specific project budgets.

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:
Awards Request for Proposal No. RFP160333, Environmental Maintenance Contract. Approval supplies Lee County with nine firms capable of providing professional environmental contracting services for miscellaneous projects involving exotic plant control, native plant installation for restoration, and habitat restoration. This list shall remain in effect for two years. Staff will negotiate with these firms on an as-needed, project-by-project basis. Fiscal Year 2014-2015 expenditures for these services were \$1,287,261.01.

MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:
Approve

Requirement/Purpose: (specify)	Request Initiated
<input type="checkbox"/> Statute <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Admin Code AC-4-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Commissioner: Department: PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT Division: No Divisions By: Mary Tucker

Background:

Due to the complexity of County projects and initiatives that have environmental impacts, Lee County requires the services of professional environmental contractors. These contractors provide services such as exotic plant control, native plant installation for restoration, and habitat restoration. Maintaining a list of approved firms for these services allows staff to negotiate on a project-by-project basis with contractors that have a range of subject matter expertise.

C) BoCC Goals; Policy Issues; History
Proposals were solicited on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners for the project known as RFP160333, Environmental Maintenance Contract. A total of nine proposals were considered at the

Required Review:					
Mary Tucker	Mary Tucker	Lori Borman	Corris L. McIntosh Jr.	Mike Figueroa	Peter Winton
PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT	Purchasing	Budget Analyst	County Attorney	Risk	Budget Services
Christine Brady					
County Manager					

Evaluation Committee Meeting held on August 1, 2016.

After reviewing the Proposals, the Committee determined that all nine firms meet the minimum requirements as set forth by the solicitation documents. Therefore, the Committee is recommending award to the following firms: DeAngelo Brothers, LLC d/b/a Aquagenix; Earthbalance Corporation; Environmental Restoration Consultants, Inc.; Lake Masters Aquatic Weed Control, Inc.; Mettauier Environmental, Inc.; Milborne, LLC; Sandhill Environmental Services, LLC; Walker Exotic Tree Eradication & Mitigation, LLC; Woods and Wetlands, Inc. Pending Board approval, staff will negotiate services on a project-by-project basis. The list of firms will remain in effect for two years.

During Fiscal Year 2014-2015, expenditures for these services were \$1,287,261.01.

- 1) Short List Meeting minutes dated August 1, 2016
- 2) Sample Contract