

**AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

**DATE:** June 6, 2023  
**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation  
**REQUESTER:** Randy Cerchie  
**TITLE:** Approve Piggyback of FDOT Contract for Purchases of Approved Traffic Equipment

**I. MOTION REQUESTED**

Approve Piggyback No. PB230245SLS, to utilize pricing on the Florida Department of Transportation Solicitation No. DOT-ITB-23-9037-SJ FDOT APL Traffic Equipment from the pool of approved vendors, for the purchase of approved traffic equipment on an as needed basis, as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets through the contract expiration date of March 13, 2024, to include any renewals or extensions approved by the Florida Department of Transportation. Individual purchases in excess of \$100,000.00 will be brought to the Board for approval.

**II. ITEM SUMMARY**

Approves a piggyback of the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) contract for State approved traffic equipment on an as needed basis through the contract expiration date of March 13, 2024, and includes any renewals FDOT makes. FDOT maintains an Approved Products List (APL), which specifies products that are authorized for use on State owned facilities. FDOT has an extensive testing program managed out of their Transportation Engineering Research Laboratory (TERL), and all traffic equipment that passes the rigorous testing is placed on the APL for use on State owned roadways. This list contains hundreds of transportation related devices that FDOT has competitively procured. The annual estimated amount that will be spent is \$850,000. Individual expenditures in excess of \$100,000 will be brought to the Board for approval. The actual spend for FY 2021/22 was \$1,172,639 which included purchases through a vendor that the County now contracts directly with and won't be utilizing the APL contract for those purchases.

**III. BACKGROUND AND IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION**A) Board Action and Other History

Lee County Department of Transportation submitted a request to Procurement Management to implement a piggyback for the purchase of traffic materials, parts, and equipment utilized in repairing signal cabinets, controllers, and other traffic devices throughout the County. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) solicited DOT-ITB-23-9037-SJ through a competitive procurement process following State procurement regulations.

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Approval of this piggyback will allow the County to purchase traffic equipment that has passed the FDOT testing standards at prices that have been competitively vetted through the State's procurement process. In an effort to maintain a standardization of equipment throughout Lee County, the County primarily uses traffic equipment that has been tested and vetted through the FDOT APL approval process since the County does not have the resources to employ a testing lab similar to TERL.

The County maintains all traffic signals within Lee County through interlocal agreements with FDOT, the City of Fort Myers, the City of Cape Coral, the City of Bonita Springs, Florida Gulf Coast University, the Town of Fort Myers Beach, and the Village of Estero. Through this piggyback opportunity, the County ensures that traffic devices and related equipment that are installed at these traffic signals meet State and Federal standards for safety and reliability.

B) Policy IssuesC) BoCC GoalsD) AnalysisE) Options**IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

A)	Current year dollar amount of item:	\$850,000
B)	Is this item approved in the current budget?	Yes
C)	Is this a revenue or expense item?	Expense
D)	Is this Discretionary or Mandatory?	Discretionary

E)	Will this item impact future budgets? If yes, please include reasons in III(D) above.	No
F)	Fund: Transportation Trust and Transportation Capital Improvement Program: DOT Traffic Signals and Major Maintenance Project: Equipment Repairs Parts Account Strings: PD5410417500, 40667030700, 20675930700	
G)	Fund Type?	Other: Transportation Trust and Transportation Capital Improvement
H)	Comments:	

**V. RECOMMENDATION**

Approve

**VI. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION****VII. FOLLOW UP****ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Upload Date	Type
<a href="#">FDOT Contract DOT-ITB-23-9037-SJ (Approved Products List)</a>	5/8/2023	Contract
<a href="#">FDOT Solicitation ITB-23-9037-SJ</a>	5/8/2023	Backup Material
<a href="#">Piggyback Summary Form</a>	5/8/2023	Backup Material
<a href="#">Spend Report FY 21-22</a>	5/8/2023	Backup Material

**REVIEWERS:**

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Transportation	Cerchie, Randy	Approved	5/24/2023 - 10:05 AM
Budget Services	Henkel, Anne	Approved	5/25/2023 - 8:40 AM
Budget Services	Winton, Peter	Approved	5/25/2023 - 9:10 AM
County Attorney	Adams, Joseph	Approved	5/26/2023 - 11:59 AM
County Manager	Harner, David	Approved	5/30/2023 - 2:28 PM