# **Agenda Report**



2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

#### Consent

F.9. 9/12/2023

#### Subject:

Permission RE: Reject All Bids Received in Response to B-6-23-69 / Traffic Signal Installation, Maintenance & Emergency Repairs

## **Fiscal Impact:**

Funding is budgeted each Fiscal Year for this service.

### **Dept/Office:**

Public Works Department/Finance and Contracts Administration

#### Requested Action:

It is requested the Board of County Commissioners authorize Purchasing Services to reject all bids submitted for B-6-23-69 / Traffic Signal Installation, Maintenance & Emergency Repairs, and approve piggybacking of Orange and Seminole County traffic signal contracts.

### **Summary Explanation and Background:**

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on August 30, 2022, granted Purchasing Services approval to perform actions regarding the list of commodities and services for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; approved the solicitation of competitive bids, quotes and/or negotiated competitive agreements and award to the lowest, responsive, responsible and most qualified vendor(s). This list included services for Traffic Signal Construction, Rehab, Maintenance & Emergency Repairs.

On July 25, 2023, Purchasing Services advertised an Invitation to Bid B-6-23-69 / Traffic Signal Installation, Maintenance & Emergency Repairs, and bid opening was held on August 16, 2023. Bids were received from three firms: Carr Construction, LLC; Traffic Engineering & Management LLC; and Yunex, LLC. Staff reviewed the hourly prices and parts markup percentage provided by the three bidders and determined the bids were cost-prohibitive compared to the Traffic Operations budget established for these services. This bid utilized a new approach of requesting hourly rates per position and equipment and allowed for a parts markup percentage similar to bids for trades, such as electrical and plumbing. It seems that the traffic signal market may not be conducive to this methodology and is more accustomed to line-item pricing.

Staff researched other publicly competed procurement opportunities for traffic signal services and have identified 1) Orange County Contracts Y23-193A and Y23-193B, Supply and Installation of Traffic Signal Equipment, and 2) Seminole County Contracts IFB-603865-20/CAR, Traffic Signal Construction and System Communication Equipment. These contracts utilize line-item pricing that will provide lower costs per project versus hourly pricing with parts markup. These contracts provide a more cost-effective solution and ensure this critical function is not interrupted due to the unfavorable bid outcome.

Per Board Policy BCC-25, Board approval is needed for the rejection of all submitted bids above \$200,000.

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Staff expects the utilization of these two piggyback contracts to be temporary. Other piggyback contracts may also be utilized if determined to be in the best interest of the County. Staff will prepare a revised Invitation to Bid using traditional line-item pricing, which was used on prior bids, instead of hourly rates and parts markup for an upcoming solicitation in FY 2024.

#### Clerk to the Board Instructions:

None



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September 13, 2023

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Marc Bernath, Public Works Director

RE:

Item F.9., Permission to Reject All Bids Received in Response to B-6-23-69/Traffic Signal

Installation, Maintenance, and Emergency Repairs

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on September 12, 2023, authorized Purchasing Services to reject all bids submitted for B-6-23-69/Traffic Signal Installation, Maintenance, and Emergency Repairs; and approved piggybacking of Orange and Seminole County traffic signal contracts.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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CC:

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Budget

Contracts Administration