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Meeting Date
April 25, 2017



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Item No.	II C.2

**AGENDA REPORT**  
**BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

SUBJECT:	Permission to issue a Request for Qualification (RFQ) and negotiate a competitive agreement for architectural/engineering/design services for a replacement Emergency Operations Center.
DEPT/OFFICE:	Central Services/Purchasing & Emergency Management

**Requested Action:**

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners grant Purchasing and Emergency Management approval to:

1. Solicit competitive RFQ's for architectural/engineering/design services for a replacement Emergency Operations Center
2. Establish a selection/negotiation committee of the Solid Waste director, Facilities Construction Manager, and Emergency Management director, or their designees, and award the contract to the best-ranked proposer.

It is also requested that the Board authorize the County Manager or designee to:

- a) Execute the contract, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office & Risk Management.
- b) Execute necessary documents and all contract documents related to this project as needed, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.
- c) Authorize any associated budgetary changes.

**Summary Explanation & Background:**

**HISTORY & CURRENT SITUATION:** The Brevard County EOC is also the most frequently activated in the State of Florida, and one of the most frequently activated in the U.S., due to the number of space launches and launch attempts. While Brevard has the storm surge, flooding, and wildfire threats that most counties in Florida face, we also are home to the second-busiest cruise terminal in the world, multiple military facilities, and a robust defense-industrial base. Brevard is also susceptible to a nuclear power plant incident, as parts of the county are within the 50-mile ingestion pathway for the St Lucie Nuclear Power Plant. Brevard has had 27 federally declared disasters in the past 50 years, ranking it 78th in the nation, or in the top 3% of counties. At the same time, our emergency operations center is woefully inadequate. The EOC is over 50 years old, and undersized, with variety of facility issues - some caused by age, some by size, and some because today's technology was not contemplated in the 60s.

Funding for EOC architectural and engineering design is anticipated soon, partly as a result of Hurricane Matthew. A federal Hazard Mitigation Grant, as well as pending appropriations by the State Legislature, subject to approval by the Governor, is expected within the year. It is important that the project become shovel-ready as quickly as possible, to meet federal grant requirements that limit projects to a three-year timeframe.

It is requested that the Purchasing and Emergency Management departments be authorized to solicit competitive RFQ's for architectural/engineering/design services, and to establish a selection/negotiation committee to award this contract to the best-ranked proposer; and that the County Manager or designee be permitted to execute the contract and sign related documents as needed, in order to keep the project on track and on budget. Acquisition of professional services will be solicited in accordance with Policy BCC-27 and Florida Statutes 287.055, "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act".

**COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS:** Funding for architectural/engineering/design services is anticipated to be provided by the State of Florida, and funding for hardening the structure to EOC standards will be provided by FEMA. Proposals will be solicited subsequent to the \$1.5M appropriation approval from the State.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There will be no impact to the General Fund for architectural/engineering/design services.

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Clerk to the Board Instructions: Send Clerk Memorandum to Emergency Management along with one set of copies, please.

Exhibits Attached:

<b>Contract /Agreement (If attached):</b>		<b>Reviewed by County Attorney</b>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	PR <input type="checkbox"/>
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