



City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	File No.:	Item Type:	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
2/5/2025	24-591	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution	Ordinance Reading	N/A
		<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Advertising Required	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Quasi-Judicial:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fiscal Impact (\$):	Account Balance (\$):	Funding Source:	Project Number:	
\$676,017.39	<u>\$529,415.39</u> \$146,602.00	<u>440-3660-565000</u> 440-4989-565000	P2203	
Contract/P.O. Required	RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:	Sponsor Name:	Department:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	FY 20234-2024-06	Jeffrey Odoms, Public Works Director	Public Works	
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal Stability	<input type="checkbox"/> Resident Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure & Mobility	<input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development & Affordable Housing
Implementation Timeline: 120 days				
Estimated Start Date: 4/1/2025 Estimated End Date: 7/29/2025				

SHORT TITLE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, RESCINDING THE PRIOR AWARD OF BID # FY 2023-2024-06 49TH YEAR CDBG PUBLIC WORKS IMPROVEMENT GRANT TO RJ UNDERGROUND ENGINEERING INC. VIA RESOLUTION 24-123; AWARDING THE BID TO EMERALD CONSTRUCTION CORP D/B/A NEUCOR CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF SIX HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-SIX CENTS (\$614,561.26); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

STAFF SUMMARY:

Summary:

This agenda item seeks City Commission's approval to reject low bidder of Bid # FY 2023-2024-06 49th Year CDBG Public Works Improvement Grant Project, RG Underground Engineering Inc.

and award Bid to Emerald Construction Corp dba Neucor Construction as the second responsive bidder, in the amount of \$ 614,561.26 plus a 10% contingency of (\$61,456.13) for a not-to-exceed amount of \$676,017.39.

Background:

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, managed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of community development needs. The City of Hallandale Beach was awarded \$146,602.00 by Broward County for the Public Works Improvement Project. The 49th Year CDBG Public Works Improvement Project involves public works and utility infrastructure improvements including drainage improvements, sidewalks replacement, swale regrading and sodding. All work completed under this contract will occur within the City's right-of-way. The project improvements are at the following location:

- Along NW 7th Street between NW 2nd Avenue and Dixie Highway

Bid # FY 2023-2024-06 49th Year CDBG Public Works Improvement Grant Project meeting was released on June 6, 2024. The release notice for the Bid was sent via email to vendors from the City's Vendor list. The Bid was also advertised on the City website, Demandstar, Sun Sentinel and other electronic means of media. On June 24, 2024, at 11:00 A.M., a mandatory pre-bid meeting was held at the Commission Chambers. Ten (10) vendors, and six (6) City staff members attended the pre-bid meeting.

The Bid was due on August 5, 2024, and a total of two (2) vendors responded to the solicitation. Staff evaluated the responses and determined that RG Underground Engineering Inc. is the responsive and lowest bidder (Exhibit 2). On November 20, 2024, the City Commission awarded RG Underground as the lowest responsive bidder (Exhibit 3).

Current Situation:

On December 16, 2024, RG Underground Engineering Inc. submitted to the City a letter of intent to withdraw their bid, citing the reason for this action as the bond company is not awarding RG Underground Engineering Inc. with a performance bond due to the cost difference between the first and second bid. As a result, RG Underground Engineering Inc. does not feel comfortable to move forward with the construction of the project (Exhibit 4).

For this reason, City staff has determined that Emerald Construction Corp dba Neucor Construction, the second-lowest responsive and responsible bidder, should be awarded the project (Exhibit 2). Neucor Construction's qualifications, including relevant experience and positive reference, indicate that they are fully capable of completing the project. Additionally, their bid price, while higher than RG's, is still competitive, and current volatility in the construction market raises concerns with re-bidding. There is a risk that re-bidding could result in no bids or bids exceeding the second lowest price, delaying the project further. Therefore, the recommendation is to move forward with Neucor Construction. The new fiscal impact is approximately \$676,017 and funds are available as shown in the account balances listed on the first page of this memorandum.

If approved by the City Commission, the construction contract will be finalized, and the estimated Project Schedule is as follows:

Commission Award	February 5, 2025
Notice to Proceed	March 3, 2025
Anticipated Construction Start	April 1, 2025
Anticipated Construction Completion	July 29, 2025

Therefore, it is staff's recommendation to select Emerald Construction Corp dba Neucor Construction based on their experience, references and bid price. Emerald Construction Corp dba Neucor Construction references indicate that they have completed similar projects in scope and size, and they are fully capable of fulfilling the City's needs.

Why Action is Necessary:

Pursuant to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Section 23-4. (4) Rejection of bids. The city commission may authorize the city manager to: a). Reject all bids; or b.) Reject all bids and re-advertise for bids, pursuant to the procedure prescribed in this section.

Pursuant to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Section 23-4. All purchases of and contracts for equipment, supplies and contractual services, when the estimated cost shall exceed \$50,000.00, except as specifically provided in this section, shall be based, wherever possible, on competitive bids. The city manager is authorized to purchase and contract for equipment, supplies and contractual services when the cost does not exceed \$50,000.00 without further city commission approval.

Cost Benefit:

This project will help mitigate flooding, improve accessibility and the neighborhood appearance in the area.

PROPOSED ACTION:

The City Commission considers the attached Resolution.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Exhibit 1 – Resolution
Exhibit 2 – Award Information Memorandum 2023-2024-06
Exhibit 3 – Resolution No. 2024-123
Exhibit 4 – Bid Withdrawal Letter, RG Underground Engineering Inc.

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