



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Matthew Morton, City Manager

THRU: Gabriel Bowden, Utilities Director; Larry Wojciechowski, Finance Director;
George Barber, Chief Procurement Officer

DATE: May 15, 2025

RE: Award of Bid: Blower replacement, South Regional Water Treatment Plant - 29-ITB-25 – Utilities Department (Florida Design Contractors, LLC - \$249,225); and appropriation of funds from the Utilities Renewal and Replacement Undesignated Fund Balance (\$124,147).

SUMMARY:

Background:

The Utilities Department has a need to replace of two (2) blowers at the South Regional Water Treatment Plant (SRWTP). There are three blowers at the SRWTP. With the expansion of the SRWTP complete we are now required to run two blowers and have one for redundancy. Currently Utilities has one fully operational, one operating in very poor condition and one has failed and is not in service. The blowers are required for air flow for the removal of hydrogen sulfide from the air and water at the SRWTP. If one of the blowers currently operating fails, Utilities will not be able to process potable water to meet water demands. In addition, without the redundant blower we are not able to rotate and properly maintain the blowers.

Procurement:

Procurement issued an Invitation for Bid for the needed blowers at the SRWTP. There were approximately thirty-five (35) document takers. Of those document takers, three (3) attended one of the two mandatory Prebid meetings that was required in order to submit a bid. Two (2) submittals were received. Procurement staff reviewed the bids for responsiveness. Utilities staff evaluated the lowest responsive bid for responsibility and ability to provide the services specified. The bid is acceptable to the Department.

The Department is requesting fund appropriation from Utilities Renewal & Replacement Undesignated Fund Balance for the blower replacement, amount \$99,225, plus a 10% contingency, amount \$24,922. The total fund appropriation amount is \$124,147.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Utilities

Finance

Procurement

FISCAL IMPACT:

Total award \$249,225. Pending approval of the budget amendment, amount \$124,147, from Utilities Renewal & Replacement Undesignated Fund Balance; funds will be available in the Utilities Renewal & Replacement Fund under project 24WS13.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to 1) approve appropriation of funds, amount \$124,147; and 2) approve award of Invitation to Bid # #29-ITB-25, South Regional Water Treatment Plant Blower Replacement to Florida Design Contractors, LLC.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Bid Tabulation
2. Project Executive Summary