

MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

INTENT TO AWARD

SUBJECT Geotechnical Engineering and Soil & Materials Testing	DATE POSTED May 16, 2013 ²⁰
PURCHASING REPRESENTATIVE Blair C. Getz, (941)749-3053	DATE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED 7 days from Date Posted May 23, 2013 or soon thereafter
DEPARTMENT Public Works	CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED Delay in acceleration of Projects
SOLICITATION Request for Proposals #12-2250BG	AUTHORIZED BY Melissa M. Wendel, CPPO Purchasing Official DATE May 16, 2013

ACTION DESIRED

Authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute Agreements to provide Geotechnical Engineering and Soil & Materials Testing Services on an as needed basis, at the direction of the Public Works Department, Project Management Division with Ardaman and Associates, Inc. of Sarasota, Driggers Engineering Services, Inc. of Sarasota, Dunkelberger Engineering and Testing, Inc. of Sarasota, Nova Engineering and Environmental, LLC of Tampa, Professional Service Industries, Inc. of Tampa, Universal Engineering Sciences, Inc. of Sarasota.

ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Federal/State law(s), administrative ruling(s), Manatee County Comp Plan/Land Development Code, ordinances, resolutions, policy.)

Manatee County Code of Laws

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

- Manatee County expects that this Request for Proposals will result in an award of agreement(s) to provide geotechnical engineering and soils and materials testing services for various projects as required by Manatee County. The term of the Agreement(s) will be for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of the Agreement(s), with the possibility of extensions of four (4) one year periods up to an aggregate total of four (4) years at the sole discretion of the County, providing geotechnical engineering and soils and materials testing service.
- Funding Source: Funding for these Geotechnical Services is determined by the work assignment.
- See Page 2 for further discussion.

SUMMARY RESULTS

Authorization to execute Agreements with the selected firms to provide Geotechnical Engineering and Soil & Materials Testing Services on an as needed basis, at the direction of the The Public Works Department, Project Management Division.

ATTACHMENTS: (List in order as attached)

N/A

INSTRUCTIONS TO BOARD RECORDS:

N/A

COST

Estimate \$400,000 Annually

SOURCE (ACCT# & NAME)

Various

COMMENTS

N/A

AMT./FREQ. OF RECURRING COSTS (ATTACH FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT)

N/A

DWW

- The RFP was advertised on the Manatee County website, DemandStar, in the Bradenton Herald and the Tempo News and was also provided to the Manatee County Chamber of Commerce for release to its members. Eight (8) proposals were received as listed below:

Ardaman and Associates, Inc. of Sarasota

Driggers Engineering Services, Inc. of Sarasota

Dunkelberger Engineering and Testing, Inc. of Sarasota

MC Squared, Inc. of Tampa

Nova Engineering and Environmental, LLC of Tampa

Professional Service Industries, Inc. of Tampa

Rare Earth Sciences, Inc. d/b/a HSA Engineers and Scientists of Tampa

Universal Engineering Sciences, Inc. of Sarasota

- The Evaluation Committee Members consisted of:

Gus DiFonzo, Deputy Director, Utilities Department

Sia Mollanazar, Deputy Director, Engineering Services, Public Works

Blair Getz, Contracts Negotiator, Purchasing Division

- The Evaluation Committee convened on 1/22/2013 and determined that six (6) proposers should provide an oral interview. Those firms, in alphabetical order, were:

Ardaman and Associates, Inc. of Sarasota

Driggers Engineering Services, Inc. of Sarasota

Dunkelberger Engineering and Testing, Inc. of Sarasota

Nova Engineering and Environmental, LLC of Tampa

Professional Service Industries, Inc. of Tampa

Universal Engineering Sciences, Inc. of Sarasota

- Oral Presentations were conducted on 3/13, 2013. Afterwards, the Committee discussed the presenting firms and a vote was taken resulting in all six (6) firms being unanimously selected for negotiation.

The six (6) firms selected have all the capabilities, resources, and experience required by the County and are staffed with professionals all of whom have their own individual skills and expertise that collectively will more than adequately and successfully serve the County as they provide geotechnical engineering and soils and materials testing services.

The remaining respondents listed below, although well qualified, were not selected based on a comparison of capabilities of the selected firms.

MC Squared, Inc. of Tampa

SOURCE SELECTION (CONTINUED)_____ **Page 3**

- The County Administrator authorized the negotiations on 3/18/2013 with the selected firms.
- 4/25/13 negotiations concluded resulting in an Agreement and at a cost agreeable to all parties; and determined to be fair and reasonable to the Public Works Department.
- The estimated annual expenditure is \$400,000.
- This project will be managed by the Project Management Division, Public Works Department