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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: June 11, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Erin Jones, Purchasing

ITEM TYPE: Miscellaneous

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA

SUBJECT: Notice of Recommended Award (NORA) for IFB 25-

025EJ Landscape Maintenance & Mowing Services -

East Zone

SUGGESTED ACTION: Authorize award and pursue a contract with Fast

Lawnscapes.

Is this item Quasi-Judicial?

No

Does this item require a public hearing?

No

EXPLANATION:

On April 24, 2025, City of Bradenton advertised Invitation to Bid (IFB) 25-025EJ to select a contractor to provide Landscape Maintenance and Mowing Services - East Zone. Notice of this IFB was made through OpenGov (22,844 vendors were notified). 982 vendors viewed the solicitation, and 6 contractors submitted a bid. Because the specifications were clearly defined, the responsive and responsible contractor submitting the lowest price can be selected using the IFB process.

All bidders were deemed responsive by Purchasing. Purchasing then checks the responsibility of the apparent low bidder, 4678 Landscaping Inc. 4678 Landscaping Inc. was deemed non-responsible for failing to meet all the requirements as required in Section 2.3.A Qualifications of the solicitation. Purchasing then moved on to check references of the next apparent low bidder, Fast Lawnscapes. Purchasing verified the references and found the requirements established in the solicitation documents were met.

Fast Lawnscapes, having submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid, is recommended for award.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTORNEY REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION:

Attorney Scott Rudacille will be sent the contract for review once authorized.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

Motion to authorize the award for IFB 25-025EJ and to pursue a contract with Fast Lawnscapes.

ATTACHMENTS:

25-025EJ NORA Packet