

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager 

DATE: April 22, 2020

SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO AWARD A CONTRACT PURSUANT TO INVITATION TO BID (ITB) 2020-050-DF FOR NEPTUNE APARTMENTS EXTERIOR REHABILITATION.**

RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, Florida approve the City Manager's recommendation pertaining to the bids received, pursuant to ITB 2020-050-DF for Neptune Apartments exterior rehabilitation.

ANALYSIS

The Neptune Apartments is a three-story building containing 35 studio apartments. It has an elevation of approximately 35' and holds an adjusted area of 16,227 sq. ft. on a 7,500 sq. ft. lot. Neptune is rented exclusively to low to moderate income tenants and is managed by The City of Miami Beach Department of Housing and Community Services. The Neptune Apartments, built in 1925, is designed in the "Mediterranean Revival" style by Architect J.C. Gault and is a "contributing" property to the Flamingo Park Historic District.

The City's intention is to correct the identified deficiencies at the exterior of the building, using materials that are environmentally friendly and systems that contribute to save valuable resources.

ITB PROCESS

ITB No. 2020-050-DF, was issued on February 21, 2020 with a bid opening date of April 13, 2020. In order to provide information to prospective bidders, a voluntary site visit and pre-bid meeting was held on March 4, 2020. Five (5) addenda were issued. The Procurement Department issued bid notices to 40,718 companies utilizing www.BidSync.com website. A total of 200 prospective bidders accessed the advertised solicitation utilizing BidSync. The notices resulted in the receipt of five (5) responses from: A&P Contracting Co. Inc.; AVR Contractors, Corp.; The BEC Group Services Inc.; J.I.J Construction Corp.; and, John Bell Construction, Inc.

The ITB stated that the lowest responsive, responsible bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB will be recommended for award. In its due diligence, the Procurement and Housing departments verified that the lowest responsive bid submitted by John Bell Construction, Inc. ("John Bell Construction") met the requirements of the ITB, including:

1. **Bid Bond:** Bidder shall submit, **WITH ITS BID**, either an original bid bond, in a form acceptable to the City, executed by a surety company meeting the qualifications specified herein, in the amount of 5% of the bid amount, payable to City of Miami Beach, Florida. In the alternative, Bidder may submit a certified check or cashier's check issued by any national or state bank (United States).

John Bell Construction submitted a bid bond for 5% of the bid amount, as required.

2. **Licensing Requirements:** Bidder shall be State of Florida Certified General Contractor in the State of Florida, Division of Business and Professional Regulations OR Miami-Dade County Licensed Contractor to be considered for award.

John Bell Construction is State certified as a General Contractor. State license number is: CGC1524390 and expires on August 31, 2020.

Furthermore, City staff verified that John Bell Construction complied with the submittal requirements of the ITB which include the previous experience of the firm, as detailed below.

3. **Previous Experience of Bidder (Firm).** Bidders must have successfully completed at least one (1) project of at least similar scope and budget within the last five (5) years, wherein the project was subject to Davis-Bacon Wages and/or other wage requirements. Similar scope shall be defined as residential building renovations and concrete/stucco renovations.

John Bell Construction submitted the following project as evidence of compliance with the minimum requirement.

- Caribbean Village Assisted Living Facility
 - o Project Cost: \$420,000.00
 - o For: Miami-Dade County/MJM Structural Corp.
 - o Project Scope: Turnkey masonry. Furnish/Install CMU block, rebar, grout, pump and finish
 - o Wage Requirements: Miami-Dade Responsible Wages, Certified Payroll

The firm submitted additional project references with have been verified. The firm has not previously completed work for the City, but all references provided, including Miami-Dade County and City of Coral Gables provided positive feedback.

Accordingly, John bell Construction has been deemed the lowest responsive and responsible bidder meeting all terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB. Below is a brief summary of the firm.

CONCLUSION

After considering the bids received and the evaluation of staff, pursuant to ITB 2020-050-DF, I recommend that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, approve the award of a contract to John Bell Construction the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to the ITB; and further authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract.

KEY INTENDED OUTCOMES SUPPORTED

Build and Maintain Priority Infrastructure with Full Accountability

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Project Cost (Lump Sum Grand Total):	\$ 456,245.84
10% Owner's Contingency:	\$ 45,624.58
Total:	\$ 501,870.42

139-0530-000346-00-404-534-00-00-00-40030	\$181,667.88
133-0530-000676-00-410-535-00-00-00-60657	\$274,577.96
131-0530-000676-00-410-535-00-00-00-60657	\$45,624.58 [CONTINGENCY]

Grant funding will be utilized for this project.

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