


# Memorandum



**Date:** February 7, 2023

**To:** Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(10)

**From:** Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor 

**Subject:** Request for Additional Expenditure Authority to Prequalification Pool No. RTQ-00862, Fire Suppression Services

## **Summary**

This item seeks additional expenditure authority for fire suppression systems services for multiple County departments. Services obtained through this pool include routine maintenance, certifications, testing, fabrications, repairs, and inspections. The departments are requesting \$5,616,000 in additional expenditure authority to ensure there is sufficient funding to purchase fire suppression system services and fire extinguishers services for the remainder of the pool's term. Departments' allocations have been depleted in part due to addition of facilities, unanticipated repairs, and increased costs. Procuring these services ensures the County's compliance with national, state, and local safety provisions, such as the National Fire Protection Association Standards, Florida Fire Prevention codes adopted by the State Fire Marshall, and all local municipal regulations. Fire suppression services are critical for extinguishing fires and prevention of injuries, for the protection of life and safety of county facilities, employees, and the public at large.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) authorize additional expenditure authority to *Prequalification Pool No. RTQ-00862, Fire Suppression Systems Services* for multiple County departments. Small Business Enterprise (SBE) measures and local preference are applied at the time of spot market competition, where permitted by the funding source.

The Board established this pool on October 2, 2018, for an eight-year term through Resolution R-995-18, for an allocation of \$21,693,000. At pool establishment, seven vendors were recommended, of which two had local addresses, and one was a certified SBE firm. Since establishment five vendors have been added to the pool, for a total of 12 prequalified vendors, of which three have local addresses, and two are certified SBE firms. The Pool remains open and advertised on the County's website to encourage additional vendor participation.

## **Background**

The pool includes five groups: Group 1: Wet Agent Systems; Group 2: Dry Agent Systems; Group 3: Pre-engineered Systems; Group 4: Fire Extinguishers Maintenance, Inspection, and Certification; and Group 5: Purchase of Fire Extinguishers. The request for additional expenditure authority of \$5,616,000 will address departmental needs as follows:

- Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) is requesting \$500,000 to continue to cover their fire suppression systems and fire extinguisher service needs. MDAD's request is based on the services recently added for the Miami Intermodal Center Building, as well as for the five new buildings that will be added for service over the next few years as part of Aviation's Central Terminal expansion. The requested allocation considers the unexpected increase in material costs based on current market trends for the purchase of extinguishers, and the need to maintain, inspect and certify the newly purchased systems and equipment.

- Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR) is requesting \$670,000 to replenish the allocation used to pay for unanticipated repairs performed due to numerous deficiencies found in fire suppression systems during routine fire inspections. MDFR’s allocation has been depleted as a direct result of the unforeseen repair costs and now require additional funds for services through the remainder of the pool term. In addition, MDFR has also added several sites during the term of the pool and has incurred additional costs in which funds were not accounted for at time of pool establishment. These combined factors have led to the depletion of the existing allocation.
- Internal Services Department is requesting \$2,646,000 to continue to cover their fire suppression systems service needs. The allocation initially requested for the pool was based on historical usage and did not account for increases due to the inclusion of new facilities such as the Mental Health and Diversion Facility, Larcenia J. Bullard Plaza, the planned Integrated Command and Communications Center (Lightspeed) expansion, improved life safety upgrades to facilities, unprecedented inflation, and supply chain market conditions. The requested amount will be used to pay for the required inspection, testing, certification and repairs of fire suppression systems, fire pumps, kitchen hoods, and for the purchase, certification, and recharge of fire extinguishers until the end of the pool term. In addition, the department must maintain enough expenditure authority for unforeseen and necessary repairs and improvements required for Countywide Infrastructure Investment Program funded projects.
- Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) is requesting \$1,800,000 to continue to cover their fire suppression systems service needs. The additional allocation will allow the department to continue to facilitate fire suppression service measures that would otherwise lead to potential safety issues as well as fines.

**Scope**

The impact of this item is countywide in nature.

**Delegated Authority**

There is no additional delegation of authority sought in this item as the authority to solicit pricing and award contracts up to an aggregate amount of the allocation authorized by the Board, exercise all provisions of the solicitation documents and any resulting contracts pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38, and add vendors to the pool at any time, subject to ratification by the Board on a bi-annual basis, was granted when the pool was established under Resolution No. R-995-18.

**Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

The pool has a current cumulative allocation of \$21,693,000 and expires on October 31, 2026. If this request is approved, the pool will have a modified cumulative allocation of \$27,309,000. The requested increase in expenditure authority is based on additional sites being added for service inclusive of inspections, unanticipated repairs, upgrades to outdated systems, and projects that were not anticipated at time of pool establishment. The additional expenditure for this year was approved by the Board as part of the fiscal year 2022-2023 County budget.

Department	Existing Cumulative Allocation	Additional Allocation Requested	Modified Cumulative Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
Aviation	\$ 12,000,000	\$500,000	\$12,500,000	Proprietary Funds	Sylvia Novela
Fire Rescue	\$428,000	\$670,000	\$1,098,000	Fire District Funds	Marianela Betancourt

Department	Existing Cumulative Allocation	Additional Allocation Requested	Modified Cumulative Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
Internal Services	\$2,360,000	\$2,646,000	\$5,006,000	Internal Services/ CIIP Funds	Jennyfer Calderon
Public Housing and Community Development	\$1,400,000	\$1,800,000	\$3,200,000	Federal Funds	Indira Rajkumar-Futch
Multiple Departments	\$5,505,000	\$0	\$5,505,000	Each department has a unique funding source	Each department has an assigned contract manager
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$21,693,000</b>	<b>\$5,616,000</b>	<b>\$27,309,000</b>		

**Track Record/Monitor**

Alonzo Joseph of the Internal Services Department is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

**Prequalified Vendors**

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Principal	Group(s) Prequalified
All Fire Services, Inc.	2027 Sherman Street Hollywood, FL	None	Wendy Brasecker-Rothenberg	1
Advanced Systems, Inc.	1415 S 30 Avenue Hollywood, FL	None	David R. Wallace	1 and 2
Black Fire Protection, Inc.	11093 Meridian Drive N Parkland, FL	None	Linda Black	1
Cintas Corporation No. 2	9318 Florida Palm Drive Tampa, FL	None	Todd Schneider	4 and 5
C.J. Fire Protection, Inc. (SBE)	10850 NW 138 Street Unit-1 Hialeah Gardens, FL	Same	Connell Johnson	1
DynaFire, LLC	109 Concord Drive Suite B Casselberry, FL	None	Steven F. Hatch	1, 2, and 3
Impact Fire Services, LLC	103 12 Street Suite 200 Pflugerville, TX	None	Michael Lloyd	1 and 2
Metro Dade Security Systems, Inc. (SBE)	8491 NW 17 Street Suite 101 Doral, FL	Same	Dorys Martinez	1
National Fire Protection, LLC	601 Nursery Road Linthicum Heights, MD	None	Darryl Jewell	1 and 2
Pye Barker Fire & Safety, LLC	2500 Northwinds Parkway Suite 200 Alpharetta, GA	None	Barton A. Proctor	2, 3, and 4
Security Fire Prevention, Inc.	7298 W Flagler Street Miami, FL	Same	Margaret Garcia	3, 4, and 5
Sprinklermatic Fire Protection Systems, Inc.	4740 Davie Road Davie, FL	None	Robin E. Collier	1 and 2

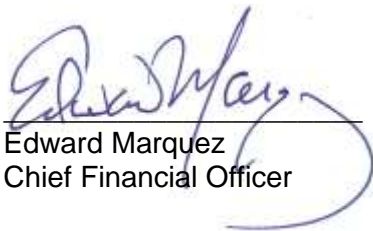
**Due Diligence**

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with the Internal Services Department's Procurement Guidelines to determine contractor responsibility, including

verifying corporate status and review of performance and compliance issues. The lists referenced include convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to contractor responsibility.

**Applicable Ordinances and Contract Measures**

- The two percent User Access Program provision applies where permitted by the funding source.
- Local Preference will be applied at the time of spot market competition where permitted by the funding source.
- Small Business Enterprise measures will be determined prior to advertising each spot market competition. Each spot market competition must be submitted to Small Business Division for review. Applicable measures include: an SBE-Construction Set-Aside for spot market competitions when the funding source allows the application of SBE measures and there are three or more SBE certified firms prequalified; No Measure when the funding source precludes the application of SBE measures, or there is insufficient SBE availability to make the spot market Set-Aside; a 10 percent Community Workforce Program (CWP) goal; and Responsible Wages.
- Employ Miami and Residence First may be applicable and will be determined at time of each spot market competition.



Edward Marquez  
Chief Financial Officer



**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** February 7, 2023

**FROM:**   
Gen Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(P)(10)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Statement of social equity required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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2-7-23

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY UP TO \$5,616,000.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED PREQUALIFICATION POOL AMOUNT OF \$27,309,000.00 FOR PREQUALIFICATION POOL NO. RTQ-00862 FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICES FOR VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board authorizes additional expenditure authority up to \$5,616,000.00 for a total modified prequalification pool amount of \$27,309,000.00 for Prequalification Pool No. RTQ-00862 for the purchase of fire suppression services for various County departments. A copy of the solicitation document is on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Kevin Marino Cabrera	Sen. René García
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Eileen Higgins
Kionne L. McGhee	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

LUIS G. MONTALDO, CLERK AD INTERIM

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

OR

Oren Rosenthal