

# **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR**

# COMMISSION AUDITOR'S INFORMATIONAL RESEARCH

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING** 

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RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Resolution No. <u>R-229-09</u>, the Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA) monitors the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners' agenda to provide legislative analysis of agenda items that include research findings and additional value-added information, if available, or at the request of a Commissioner.

#### Item No. 3A1 File No. 221172

# Research: CB / Reviewer: SC

# RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS' CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF SWAN AVENUE BETWEEN ALBATROSS STREET AND CARDINAL STREET AS "JAKE CASIANO DRIVE"

**Prime Sponsor:** Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, District 6. **Requester:** None **Committee Action Date:** None

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA completed the required background check on "Jake Casiano" and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for "Jake Casiano." As also required by Rule 9.02(f)(1), OCA verified that "Jake Casiano" is deceased. OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item Number 221172.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

N/A

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
  - <u>Section 2-1</u> Rule 9.02(f) of the Code requires OCA to conduct background research on any person, organization, place, or thing that is the subject of a naming, renaming or codesignation item or an item approving the codesignation of state or municipal roads and prepare a report detailing the findings of said research prior to the Commission meeting during which the item is scheduled to be considered.
- 2. In order to vet applicants for County Boards, Trusts, naming, renaming, or codesignation, OCA receives each applicant's full name, including middle name and date of birth. Once that information is received from the entity forwarding the background research request, OCA investigates the following:
  - A. Conducts a Westlaw public records search to check for additional risk factors; these factors include any criminal record or financial judgment that does not have an associated release or acquittal.
  - B. Checks the Miami-Dade Clerk of the Courts website for judgments. Judgments include federal tax liens and criminal court proceedings. Where the tax lien has an associated certificate of release, such information is not considered a finding unless specifically requested by the Board.

#### Item No. 5A File No. 221174

# Research: CB / Reviewer: SC

# RESOLUTION NAMING THE NEW PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST DESIGNATED FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT 3737 SW 8TH STREET IN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES THE "JACKSON MEDICAL PAVILION"

**Prime Sponsor:** Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, District 6. **Requester:** None **Committee Action Date:** None

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA completed the required background check on "Jackson Medical Pavilion" and noted no adverse findings. OCA determined that there is no prior Board of County Commissioners (BCC) codesignation for "Jackson Medical Pavilion." OCA is providing this report as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item Number 221174.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

N/A

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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#### Item No. 8F3 File No. 220600

Research: VW / Reviewer: SC

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF PREQUALIFICATION POOL RTQ-01913 FOR GROUP A -PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLIES; GROUP B - VETERINARY LABORATORY SUPPLIES; AND GROUP C -MEDICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF VETERINARY SUPPLIES AND PHARMACEUTICALS FOR MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM IN A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$18,400,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SOLICIT PRICING, AWARD CONTRACTS, EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS AND ANY RESULTING CONTRACTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA 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

Prime Sponsor: None

Requester: Internal Services Department (ISD)

**Committee Action:** 5/12/22 - Community Safety and Security Committee (CSSC)

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA's review of the item found no substantive legislative, procedural or administrative noncompliance. Refer to the Contextual Information, Financial Analysis, and Additional Information sections for more historical and background information on the item.

# **CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION**

On May 19, 2022, OCA inquired with ISD relating to the scope of services under the replacement pool; the inventory management process utilized by the Animal Services Department (ASD) and the Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces (PROS); and regarding the reasons why only some of the current vendors in the pool responded to the replacement solicitation. ISD's response is summarized below.

- 1. At the May 12, 2022, CSSC meeting Commissioner Martinez questioned the ASD Director regarding if the replacement pool would involve an improvement of services. The ASD Director responded that the replacement pool would result in an addition of services not an improvement of services. In ISD's correspondence with OCA, the department elaborated that ASD increased services at Homestead Clinic from 3 to 5 days per week. Additionally, ASD took over the South Dade Government Center Clinic after the Humane Society opted not to renew their contract with the department. Furthermore, the renamed Pets Thrive in 305 Community Cat Center would be providing TNVR (Trap, Neuter, Vaccinate and Release A program to spay/neuter community cats and decrease the cat population) services 5 days per week. Lastly, ASD received additional funding this fiscal year to provide increased TNVR services throughout the County with a goal of adding 10,000 TNVRs to the past annual total.
- 2. Regarding vendor participation, one vendor that elected not to participate in the pool cited difficulties registering as a vendor on the Miami-Dade County online portal as the principal reason for their failure to participate. ISD also notified OCA that they would continue to conduct outreach to increase participation in the pool.
- 3. Regarding the inventory management systems utilized by ASD and PROS to track the storage, usage, and replenishment of supplies procured through the current pool, ASD notified ISD that they currently manage the inventory for Veterinary Supplies and Pharmaceuticals through the INFOR EAM system and PROS responded that at Zoo Miami the Control Drug Inventory Purchase log is used to track inventory.

# Item No. 8F3 File No. 220600

# Research: VW / Reviewer: SC

**Table 1** below provides a side-by-side comparison of the respective scopes of work under Prequalification Pools 8073-1/20, including the Option-to-Renew (OTR) term, and *RTQ-01913*. The information was collected through OCA's review of the solicitation documents for the respective pools in e-Procurement.

Scope of Work Comparison (e-Procurement)			
Prequalification Pool 8073-1/20 and OTR	RTQ-01913		
<b>Group 1</b> – Pharmaceutical Supplies Animal pharmaceutical supplies, vaccines, medication, etc.	<b>Group A – Pharmaceutical Supplies</b> Pharmaceutical supplies may include, but are not limited to: thiafentanil, alfaxan-alfaxalone, alprazolam, azaperone, buprenorphine, dizapem tablets, diazepam injections, etorphine, fentanyl citrate injections, fentanyl patches, hydromorphone injections, ketamine hydrochloride, midazolam, tramadol, etc.		
Group 2 – Medical Supplies Syringes, bandages, gloves, surgical equipment, etc.	<b>Group B – Veterinary Laboratory Supplies</b> Veterinary Laboratory Supplies may include in-house enzyme- linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) tests for diseases such as heartworm, lyme disease, canine parvovirus, anaplasma phagocytophulum, anaplasma platys, feline immunodeficiency virus, ehrlichia canis and ehrilchia ewingii, etc. The test kits include, but are not limited to: alphatrak, canine and feline ovulation, feline immunodeficiency virus, feline leukemia virus, heartworm, immunofluorescence, luteinizing hormone, leptospirosis, parasitic screening, respiratory pathogens, tick diseases, toxicology, urinalysis, etc.		
<b>Group 3</b> – Miscellaneous Items Cat litter, animal transportation carriers, etc.	<b>Group C - Medical Supplies and Miscellaneous Items</b> Medical supplies and miscellaneous items may include, but are not limited to: absorbable hemostatic gauze, sterile Adaptic dressing, alcohol prep pads, surgical blades, blade disinfectant, blade wash, dermatophyte kit, all-purpose enzyme cleaner, FELV/FIV test kits, surgical gloves, ketone urine test strips, mineral oil, tissue adhesive, pet nursing bottles (puppy and kitten), etc.		
<b>Group 4</b> – Emergency Purchase and Other Items Emergency purchases, urgent care for animals, and miscellaneous services and products.			

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# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The total allocation for the initial and OTR term of the current pool 8073-1/20 is valued at \$13,225,000. Table 2 provides a summary of purchase orders (PO) issued to all qualified vendors under the current pool 8073-1/20, and the OTR. <u>Note</u>: POs issued may not be reflective of actual payments made to the subject vendor.

### Table 2

Current Prequalification Pool Purchase Order (PO) Totals (e-Procurement)				
Vendor	Percentage of Total PO's			
3D Medical Equipment Inc.*	\$92,258	0.636%		
Agni Enterprises LLC	\$105,308	0.726%		
Amatheon Animal Health, LLC	\$9,770	0.067%		
Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health USA Inc.	\$4,359	0.030%		
Diamondback Drugs of Delaware LLC	\$70,486	0.486%		
Flo Rite Anesthesia LLC*	\$39,350	0.271%		
Idexx Distribution Inc.*	\$6,425	0.044%		
Intervet Inc.	\$166,202	1.146%		
J & E Office Supplies Inc.	\$601,528	4.147%		
Lavcor LLC	\$16,603	0.114%		
Merritt Veterinary Supplies Inc.	\$413,619	2.852%		
Morph Medical LLC	\$153	0.001%		
MWI Veterinary Supply Co.	\$4,513,599	31.119%		
Patterson Veterinary Supply Inc.	\$7,907,345	54.517%		
Roadrunner Pharmacy Inc.	\$455,564	3.141%		
Sterling Biomedical LLC	\$91,379	0.630%		
Zoetis Inc.*	\$10,416	0.072%		

\*Note: Indicates vendors that were not included under the companies awarded list in e-Procurement.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additionally, OCA examined the financial payment history of the prequalified vendors under Prequalification Pool 8073-1/20 and the OTR. Table 3 below provides a synopsis of the cumulative payments made to the subject vendors for the past eight years (2014-2022) as of May 2022. <u>Note</u>: The payments reflected may not be inclusive of all payments made to date and are not exclusive of payments under 8073-1/20 and the OTR.

Vendor Payment History with County (VPI Application/INFORMS)	
Vendor	<b>Total Payments</b>
Roadrunner Pharmacy Inc.	\$368,482
Sterling Biomedical LLC	\$129,088

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File No. 220600 Vendor	Total Payments	
Intervet, Inc.	\$338,512	
Patterson Veterinary Supply Inc.	\$6,043,247	
Morph Medical LLC	\$14,463	
Agni Enterprises LLC	\$1,093,410	
Elanco US Inc.	\$2,764	
Merritt Veterinary Supplies Inc.	\$308,924	
Merial Inc.	\$29,296	
J & E Office Supplies Inc.	\$1,786,389	
Amatheon Animal Health, LLC	\$9,625	
Diamondback Drugs of Delaware LLC	\$1,544	
MWI Veterinary Supply Co	\$884,756	
Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health USA Inc.	\$676,410	
Lavcor LLC	\$2,998,789	

#### Item No. 8F4 File No. 220934

# Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC

RESOLUTION RATIFYING VARIOUS ACTIONS BY THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE RELATED TO VEHICLE PURCHASES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,915,689.28 PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R-47-21 AND \$32,928,890.00 PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R-61-21 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL RIGHTS CONTAINED IN THE RATIFIED CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

# Prime Sponsor: None

**Requester:** Internal Services Department (ISD) **Committee Action:** 5/12/2022 - County Infrastructure, Operations, and Innovations Committee (CIOIC)

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA's review of the item found no substantive legislative, procedural or administrative non-compliance. Refer to the Financial Analysis and Additional Information sections for historical and other background information on the item.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

For the BCC Meeting held on March 1, 2022, OCA's Research Notes analyzed the legislative history of vehicles purchased from 2018 to 2022. OCA has updated its analysis (**Table 1**) by comparing the total adopted not-to-exceed budget and the total number of budgeted vehicles to actuals.

• An estimated \$9,950,308 remains from the FY 20-21 Allocated Budget with 456 fewer vehicles purchased than the projected 1,643.

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Vehicle Purchase Analysis						
Resolution	Fiscal Year	Not-to-Exceed Adopted Budget	Total Number of Budgeted Vehicles	Total Spent Prior Period	Total Number of Vehicles Purchased Prior Period	
				(As Reported on the Mayoral Memorandum)		
<u><b>R-199-22</b></u> *	FY 21-22	\$81,800,873	1,457	<u>\$88,844,579</u>	<u>1,187</u>	
<u>R-61-21</u> <u>R-47-21</u>	FY 20-21	\$98,794,887	1,643	\$88,146,051	1,648	
<u>R-39-20</u>	FY 19-20	\$89,007,830	1,988	Not Identified	1,863	
<u>R-100-19</u>	FY 18-19	\$97,022,852	2,052	Not Identified	1,006	
<u>R-325-18</u>	FY 17-18	\$80,480,706	1,635	Not Identified	Not Identified	

\**Note:* R-199-22 was adopted on March 1, 2022. The Mayoral Memorandum for this item provides the updated total numbers for FY 20-21.

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**Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC** 

Table 2 below provides a breakdown of the total amount allocated and spent for FY 20-21 for each department.

# Table 2

Department	Allocated	Estimated Vehicle Purchases	Totals FY 20-21	
			Spend	Vehicles Purchased
Aviation	\$4,530,000	62	\$2,906,588	33
Fire Rescue	\$15,172,000	82	\$17,381,531	61
Police	\$14,274,000	491	\$13,097,823	431
Port Miami	\$658,000	24	\$0	0
Solid Waste Management	\$23,348,000	139	\$22,529,746	133
Board of County Commissioners	\$150,000	6	\$207,351	6
Clerk of Courts*	\$0	0	\$33,286	1
Community Action and Human Services	\$405,000	9	\$0	0
Corrections and Rehabilitation	\$909,221	28	\$0	0
Elections	\$85,000	2	\$82,602	1
Information Technology	\$232,000	10	\$212,832	8
Internal Services	\$1,587,000	51	\$1,200,732	48
Judicial Administration	\$25,000	1	\$0	0
Library	\$340,000	6	\$214,537	1
Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces	\$11,953,000	220	\$10,367,489	173
Public Housing and Community Development	\$486,214	18	\$0	0
Regulatory and Economic Resources	\$249,000	12	\$128,550	6
Transportation and Public Works	\$8,349,452	122	\$5,916,737	81
Water and Sewer	\$16,042,000	360	\$14,564,775	204
Total	\$98,794,887	1,643	\$88,844,579	1,187

\**Note:* The Clerk of Courts purchased a vehicle in FY 20-21, though the allocation was not requested through Resolutions  $\underline{R}$ -<u>61-21</u> and  $\underline{R}$ -47-21.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Bulleted below is additional research relevant to this item:

• On May 19, 2022, OCA inquired with ISD relating to the vendors from which the County purchased vehicles for FY20-21. Additionally, OCA revisited its request from February 18, 2022, regarding the County-wide inventory listing for all vehicles. ISD's response is summarized below.

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Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC

Exhibit A provides a list of all vehicles purchased by vendor under Resolution No.  $\underline{R-47-21}$  and Resolution No.  $\underline{R-67-21}$  respectively. Table 3 below provides a County-wide inventory listing for all vehicles by County department.

County Vehicle Inventory			
Department Name	Total Vehicle Count		
AD - ANIMAL SERVICES	57		
AV - AVIATION	689		
CC - COUNTY COMMISSION	28		
CL - CLERK OF COURTS	18		
CO - COMMUNITY ACTION AND HUMAN SERVICES	77		
CR - CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION	291		
CT - COMMUNICATIONS AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE	5		
CU - CULTURAL AFFAIRS	14		
EC - COMMISSION ON ETHICS	1		
EL - ELECTIONS	15		
ET - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	97		
FR - FIRE RESCUE	1,114		
HD - PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	159		
ID - INTERNAL SERVICES	620		
JU - JUVENILE SERVICES	3		
LB - LIBRARIES	41		
ME - MEDICAL EXAMINER	9		
MT - TRANSIT AND PUBLIC WORKS	1,014		
OC - ADMIN OFC OF COURTS	4		
PA - PROPERTY APPRAISER	25		
PD - POLICE	4,370		
PR - PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES	1,167		
PU - PUBLIC DEFENDER	3		
RE - REGULATORY AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES	344		
SA - STATE ATTORNEY	2		
SF - SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD	7		
SP - SEAPORT	151		
SWM - SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	1,334		
WS - WATER AND SEWER	2,381		
Grand Tota	al= 14,040		

Vehicles Purchases by Vendor				
	R-47-21			
Vendor Name	Quantity Purchased	Local Vendor (Y/N)		
Altec Industries Inc	1	No		
Ameri Recreational Sports, LLC	1	No		
AN Motors of Pembroke, LLC	60	No		
Asbury Jax Ford, LLC	53	No		
Bachrodt FT, LLC d/b/a Palmetto Ford of Miami	14	Yes		
Bozard Ford Co	44	No		
Deere & Co	3	No		
Deland Truck Center Inc	1	No		
Dobbs Equipment, LLC	8	Yes		
Duval Ford, LLC	10	No		
Environmental Products Group, Inc.	1	No		
FLTVT, LLC	5	No		
Garbage Chrysler Dodge Truck Inc	286	No		
Garber Ford, Inc.	6	No		
Industrial Truck & Equipment, LLC	24	No		
Jeffrey Allen Inc	6	No		
Kelly Tractor Co	10	Yes		
Lenco Industries, Inc.	2	No		
McKibben Motorsports LP Inc	7	No		
Peterbilt Store South Florida LLC	26	Yes		
Rick Croft Enterprises Inc	2	No		
Ring Power Corporation	2	No		
Rosenbauer Minnesota, LLC	1	No		
Safe Boats International LLC	2	No		
SBL Freightliner LLC	25	Yes		
Sutphen Corporation	13	No		
Tampa Truck Center, LLC	22	No		
Ten-8 Fire & Safety LLC	11	No		
TMCAA INC	10	No		
Tradewinds Power Corp	2	Yes		
	Total = 658			

# Exhibit A

Source: ISD

	Purchases by Vendor R-67-21	
Vendor Name	Quantity Purchased	Local Vendor (Y/N)
Ace Lawnmower Service Inc	18	Yes
Advantage Golf Cars LLC	1	Yes
Altec Industries Inc	4	No
Ameri Recreational Sports, LLC	20	No
Asbury Automotive Brandon, LP	6	No
Asbury Automotive Group Inc	3	No
Asbury Jax Ford, LLC	20	No
Bachrodt FT, LLC d/b/a Palmetto Ford of Miami	38	Yes
Bozard Ford Co	60	No
Broyhill Manufacturing Co	3	No
Brunswick Commercial & Government	1	No
Clark Equipment Company	15	No
Creel Tractor Company	4	No
Deere & Co	6	No
Deland Truck Center Inc	8	No
Dobbs Equipment, LLC	5	Yes
Duval Ford, LLC	32	No
Environmental Products Group, Inc.	4	No
Farber Specialty Vehicles Inc	1	No
Florida Coast Equipment, Inc	1	No
Florida Transportation Systems, Inc	2	No
FLTVT, LLC	37	No
Garber Chevrolet Buick GMC, Inc	2	No
Garber Ford, Inc.	12	No
Growers Equipment Company	4	Yes
H Barber & Sons	1	No
Jeffrey Allen Inc	28	No
Kelly Tractor Co	58	Yes
Pats Pump & Blower LLC	13	No
Plantation Sales Inc	4	No
Rick Croft Enterprises Inc	2	No
Ridge Equipment Co	2	No
SBL Freightliner LLC	28	Yes
Starke Motorcars, LLC	24	No
Tampa Truck Center, LLC	5	No
Tesco South Inc	34	No
Tradewinds Power Corp	14	Yes
Vermeer Southeast Sales and Service Inc	7	Yes
Wiborg Marine Inc	2	Yes
	<b>Total = 529</b>	

Source: ISD

#### Item No. 8O3 File No. 220963

# Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 255.20 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES, SECTION 2-8.1(B)(1) OF THE COUNTY CODE AND SECTION 5.03(D) OF THE COUNTY CHARTER BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERSHIP; APPROVING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT S-970 TO YOUNGQUIST BROTHERS, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$29,320,986 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO MUNICIPAL INJECTION WELLS AT THE CENTRAL DISTRICT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO UTILIZE MIAMI-DADE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT'S CONSENT DECREE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS ACCELERATION ORDINANCE, SECTION 2-8.2.12 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, TO MANAGE CONTRACT S-970

# Prime Sponsor: None

**Requester:** Water and Sewer Department (WASD) **Committee Action:** 5/12/22 - County Infrastructure, Operations, and Innovations Committee (CIOIC)

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA's review of the item found no substantive legislative, procedural or administrative noncompliance. Refer to the Contextual Information, Financial Analysis, and Additional Information sections for historical and other background information on the item.

# **CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION**

On May 19, 2022, OCA inquired with WASD about the business rationale for the escalation clause in the agreement, documents relating to the finalized agreement, and information concerning the seven (7) municipal injection wells at CDWWTP that are currently under construction by the vendor. WASD's response is summarized below.

- Regarding the business rationale for including the escalation clause in the agreement the department explained that due to the current inflationary pressures and market uncertainty, contractors and suppliers were unwilling to lock in prices with an extended projected date for a construction notice to proceed. The vendor Youngquist Brothers Inc. (Youngquist) prepared their proposal in March 2022 using price projections for construction commencement as of October 2022. As a negotiation strategy WASD proposed moving the Notice to Proceed (NTP) in the Contract to July 2022, which allowed WASD to negotiate a cost reduction of \$400,000. Youngquist agreed to the cost reduction conditional on the inclusion of an escalation clause in the event that the NTP was not issued by July.
- 2. Based on the backup documentation provided by WASD, the base bid proposal is 7.4% greater than the EOR's base bid cost estimate (a slight deviation from the 5.5% figure cited in the Mayoral Memorandum).

Cost Estimate Analysis			
Engineer of Record's (EOR) Base Bid Cost Estimate (1)Base Bid Proposal (2)Percent Increase (2)-(1)			
\$27,302,707	\$29,320,986	7.4%	

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Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC

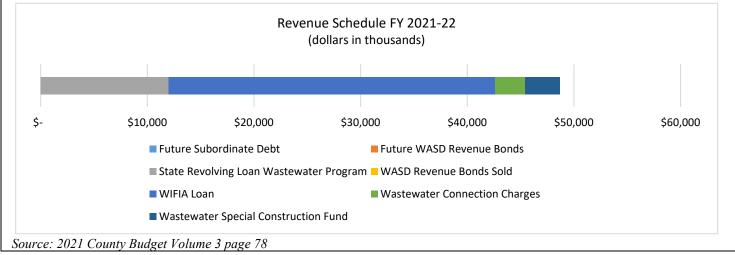
3. Regarding the relation between the proposed work and the construction started by the vendor at CDWWTP for the seven municipal injection wells currently under construction by Youngquist, WASD explained that the proposed scope of work is identical in nature to the current work already being performed by Youngquist under contract S-920 which is the construction of seven municipal injection wells.

Further contextual information is bulleted below:

- 4. Legislative History: During the September 1, 2021, BCC meeting, discussion ensued during the ratification of Contract *S-956*, awarded to Youngquist, pursuant to R-819-21. Commissioner Martinez inquired about the action taken relating to the WASD Consent Decree and Capital Improvement Programs Acceleration Ordinance to expedite the project. The WASD Director explained the County's urgent need to meet government-mandated milestones or face penalties if not met. The Director further noted the benefit of using the Accelerated Ordinance that, allows the County to move 4 to 6 months faster on government-mandated projects than the standard County procurement process. The Director concluded with a statement on the backlog of similar projects, which will be brought for approval with the same request to utilize the Accelerated Ordinance to meet government-mandated timelines.
- 5. **Responsible Wages and Benefits Violation:** Pursuant to R-666-19, the SBD memorandum disclosed that Youngquist was found to violate Responsible Wages and Benefits requirements for the underpayment of 135 employees for \$300,831.39. The vendor has since paid the employees all wages due and a \$35,778.39 penalty to the County.
- 6. Florida Statute 403.086 *Sewage disposal facilities; advanced and secondary waste treatment:* this Florida Statute requires the elimination of effluence through ocean outfalls throughout the state by December 31, 2025.<sup>1</sup>

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

According to the mayoral memorandum, the project will be funded by the Project Wastewater – Outfalls Legislation, OMB# 962670, in the FY2021-22 Proposed/Adopted Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan. The funding sources are identified in the graph below.



<sup>1</sup>*Florida Statute 403.086 - Sewage Disposal Facilities; Advanced and Secondary Waste Treatment,* <u>http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App\_mode=Display\_Statute&URL=0400-</u>0499/0403/Sections/0403.086.html.

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File No. 220963

**Research: PAR / Reviewer: SC** 

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OCA examined Youngquist's contractual history with the County as per the County's Legislative Information System and e-Procurement. Table 2 below provides a synopsis of the contract allocations for the noted contracts.

Vendor Contract History with the County			
Resolution	Title	Term	<b>Contract Allocations</b>
<u>This Item</u>	S-970: Ocean Outfall Legislation Program Construction Package CE-5, CDWWTP Municipal Injection Wells 10 & 11	866 days to Substantial Completion and 926 days to Final Completion	\$29,320,986
<u>R-774-18</u> *	RTQ-00566_0003: Injection Wells Prequalification Pool	9/1/2018 to 8/31/2023	\$225,000,000
<u>R-819-21</u>	S956: NDWWTP Municipal Injection Wells (NE-2)	9/30/2021 to 4/20/2024	\$77,763,530
<u>R-666-19</u>	W-930: South Miami Heights Water Treatment Plant Injection Well System and Upper Floridan Aquifer Test Production Well Program	7/1/2015 to 2/13/2017	\$16,996,505
<u>R-944-13</u> *	6969-0/14 – Well Drilling Services (Monitoring Well) Prequal	6/1/2012 to 8/31/2019	\$180,000,000
<u>R-935-14</u>	S-869 CDWWTP Industrial Waste Deep Injection Well System	10/21/2014 to 12/31/2016	\$19,887,887
otes: *The amo	ounts shown for RTQ-00566 and 6969-0	1/14 are Pool allocation amount	s and are not contracts awar

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# RESOLUTION APPOINTING AARON MCKINNEY AND PARMALYN JACOB AS COMMISSIONERS OF THE N.W. 79TH STREET CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Jean Monestime, District 2.Requester: NoneCommittee Action Date: 5/10/22 – Airport and Economic Development Committee (AEDC)

# **RESEARCH FINDINGS**

OCA completed the required background research regarding the appointment Aaron McKinney and Parmalyn Jacob to the N.W. 79th Street Corridor Community Redevelopment Agency. The research yielded no adverse informational findings for the appointees. This report is being provided as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item Number 221002.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

N/A

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 1. Bulleted below is the relevant legislation relating to the background research process:
  - <u>Resolution No. R-636-14</u>, adopted on July 1, 2014, requires OCA to conduct background research on applicants being considered to serve on County Boards and Trusts that require nominations or appointments by the BCC.
- 2. In order to vet applicants for County Boards, Trusts, naming, renaming, or codesignation, OCA receives each applicant's full name, including middle name and date of birth. Once that information is received from the entity forwarding the background research request, OCA investigates the following:
  - A. Conducts a Westlaw public records search to check for additional risk factors; these factors include any criminal record or financial judgment that does not have an associated release or acquittal.
  - B. Checks the Miami-Dade Clerk of the Courts website for judgments. Judgments include federal tax liens and criminal court proceedings. Where the tax lien has an associated certificate of release, such information is not considered a finding unless specifically requested by the Board.

# REFERENCES

<sup>a</sup>Miami-Dade County, Vendor Payment Inquiry Application (VPI Application), <u>https://w85exp.miamidade.gov/VInvoice/1\_0a\_vendor\_login.jsp</u>

<sup>b</sup>Miami-Dade County, Integrated Financial Resources Management System (INFORMS), the new Enterprise Resource Planning system launched in April 2021 (Rollout 1) to modernize and streamline budget, procurement, human resources, and financial operations), <u>https://informs.miamidade.gov/</u>

<sup>c</sup>Miami-Dade County, e-Procurement (also known as the Bid Tracking System), <u>https://s0145200.miamidade.gov/eProcurement/Login.aspx</u>

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These research notes, prepared in collaboration with the Miami Dade County departments as subject matter experts, is substantially less detailed in scope than an audit in accordance with the Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS). The OCA plans and performs the review to obtain sufficient, appropriate evidence to provide a reasonable basis for its findings and conclusions based on its objectives; accordingly, the OCA does not express an opinion on the data gathered by the subject matter expert(s).