

Memorandum



Date: September 10, 2026

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava 
Mayor

Subject: Contract Award Recommendation for Replacement Bridge No. 874178 along NE 10 Avenue Over Canal A, *RPQ No. 20240256*, to Interstate Construction, LLC in the Amount of \$7,559,782.90

ITC
Agenda Item No. 3(G)

Executive Summary

This item seeks Board approval to award a construction contract to Interstate Construction, LLC in the amount of \$7,559,782.90 for the replacement of Bridge No. 874178 along NE 10 Avenue Over Canal A. The project will be delivered over a 1,090-day term and is funded through Mobility Impact Fees (MIF).

The existing bridge, constructed in 1950, is classified as functionally obsolete and exhibits structural deterioration, including deck cracking, corrosion of structural steel, and deterioration of expansion joints and embankment protection. The proposed project will replace the bridge and bring it into compliance with current structural, safety, and multimodal design standards, including wider sidewalks, upgraded guardrails, and drainage improvements. These improvements will enhance safety, improve system resilience, and extend the useful life of this critical crossing.

Recommendation

Approval of this contract award to Interstate Construction, LLC for a term of 1,090-days and value of \$7,559,782.90 is recommended to address a deteriorating bridge that no longer meets current safety and design standards. Deferring replacement would increase lifecycle costs, exacerbate structural deficiencies and heighten risks to public safety and system reliability.

The contract was competitively procured under the MCC 7360 Plan (*RPQ No. 20240256*), and two bids were received. Interstate Construction, LLC was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The apparent low bid exceeds the Engineer's estimate by approximately 26 percent. This variance was independently evaluated by the Engineer of Record, ASA Consultants, Inc., which determined that the difference is reasonable given current market conditions and project-specific constraints. As documented in the bid analysis, contributing factors include escalation and volatility in bridge construction pricing statewide; limited competition, with only two bidders; and project complexity, including construction over water, proximity to utilities and uncertain permitting durations at the time of bidding. Based on this analysis, ASA Consultants recommended award to Interstate, and DTPW concurs with this determination.

Proceeding with award at this time avoids the risk of further cost escalation and schedule delays that could result from readvertisement, while advancing a necessary infrastructure replacement.

Board approval is required because the contract amount exceeds the \$5,000,000 threshold established under the MCC 7360 Program.

Scope

The project is located in Commission District 2, which is represented by Commissioner Marleine Bastien.

Delegation of Authority

The authority of the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute the contract and to exercise the provisions contained therein is consistent with those authorities granted under the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The total fiscal impact of the contract is \$7,559,782.90. This amount includes a contingency allowance of \$630,115.45 for unforeseen conditions, as well as \$628,512.95 in dedicated allowances for off-duty law enforcement, permits, and required program fees. The project is being funded through the following funding source:

Program	County Budget	Funding Source
2000000534 BRIDGE REHABILITATION – COUNTYWIDE IMPROVEMENTS	FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget and Multi-Year Capital Plan, Volume 2 – Transportation and Public Works, Page 138	Mobility Impact Fees

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COST IMPACT / FUNDING: The estimated annual operations and maintenance cost is approximately \$126,023 and will be absorbed within the Department's General Fund allocation.

LIFE EXPECTANCY OF ASSET: Minimum 75-year service life.

PTP FUNDING: No

GOB FUNDING: No

ARRA FUNDING: No

BID OPEN DATE: 8/20/2025

BID BOND EXPIRES: 2/20/2026

BID VALID UNTIL: 2/20/2026

BID PACKAGES ISSUED: Electronic Downloaded

BID RECEIVED: 2

IG FEE INCLUDED IN BASE Yes

CONTRACT PERIOD 1,090 calendar days after NTP

BASE CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$6,301,154.50

CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE (SECTION 2-8.1	TYPE	PERCENT	AMOUNT
	Construction	10%	\$630,115.45

OTHER ALLOWANCES \$628,512.95

TOTAL AMOUNT: \$7,559,782.90

PRIME CONTRACTOR: Interstate Construction, LLC

COMPANY PRINCIPALS: Gustavo H. Graupera

COMPANY QUALIFIER: Gustavo H. Graupera

COMPANY EMAIL: Gusgraupera@interstate13.com

COMPANY STREET ADDRESS: 2501 SW 160th Avenue, Ste 400

COMPANY CITY-STATE-ZIP: Miramar, Florida 33027

YEARS IN BUSINESS: 11

**PREVIOUS CONTRACTS WITH
COUNTY IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS:** 3

SUB-CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS: Ranger Construction and Kiewit
Infrastructure South Co.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS EXCEED
LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Yes

**STANDARD PAYMENT AND
PERFORMANCE BOND:** Yes

REVIEW COMMITTEE: **MEETING DATE:** N/A
SIGNOFF DATE: 01/22/2026

**RESPONSIBLE WAGES:
(RESOLUTION NO. R-54-10)** N/A

**REVIEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNED
CONTRACT MEASURES:** **TYPE GOAL**
SBE-CONST N/A
CWP N/A

MANDATORY CLEARING HOUSE: Yes

SEA LEVEL RISE: (ORDINANCE 14-79) Yes

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES: N/A

SUSTAINABLE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE: No
(I.O. NO. 8-8)

Track Record/Monitor

The designated staff contact to track and monitor this contract is DTPW Infrastructure Manager, Leonel Salgueiro, (305)-375-2111, Leosalgueiro@miamidade.gov.

Due Diligence

Due diligence was conducted in accordance with County procurement requirements to determine contractor responsibility and capability. Interstate Construction, LLC was reviewed through the Strategic Procurement Department (SPD) database, which confirmed no violations within the past three years.

A review of the firm's performance history indicates that, within the last five years, the contractor has completed multiple County projects and received four evaluations in the Capital Improvements Information System (CIIS), with an average rating of 3.8 out of a maximum of 4.0, reflecting strong performance.

The Department verified the firm's corporate status with the Florida Department of State Division of Corporations and confirmed compliance with all applicable licensing and

qualification requirements. The contractor meets or exceeds all minimum qualification requirements and has provided the required payment and performance bonds.

In addition, due diligence included a review of safety and compliance records. Pursuant to Resolution No. R-1181-18, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Form 300 logs for work-related injuries and illnesses for the past three years are on file and available for review. No significant safety concerns or adverse findings were identified. Compliance checks also confirmed adherence to County requirements, including the Mandatory Clearinghouse, Inspector General provisions, and applicable ordinances such as Sea Level Rise considerations. No adverse findings were identified that would impact the contractor's responsibility determination.

Based on this review, Interstate Construction, LLC is deemed a responsible contractor with the experience, capacity, and performance history necessary to successfully deliver the project.

Background

The existing bridge (No. 874178), constructed in 1994, is located along NE 10 Avenue approximately 200 feet north of NE 83rd Street. The structure exhibits multiple deficiencies, including cracking in the deck, caps, and piles; corrosion of structural steel beams; deterioration of expansion joints; and erosion of embankment slope protection. The bridge is classified as functionally obsolete, as it does not meet current crashworthiness standards for bridge railings and approach guardrails and does not accommodate current pedestrian and bicycle safety standards.

To address these deficiencies, the project will demolish the existing structure and construct a new bridge that meets current structural, hydraulic, and multimodal design standards. The scope of work includes, but is not limited to, maintenance of traffic; removal of the existing bridge; construction of new substructure and superstructure elements; installation of prestressed beams and reinforced concrete components; roadway reconstruction, milling and resurfacing; drainage improvements; installation of guardrails, barriers, and signage; and construction of widened sidewalks, bicycle accommodations, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant pedestrian features.

The project also includes construction activities over water, utility coordination and adjustments, and environmental protection measures such as turbidity barriers and erosion control systems.



Roy Coley
Deputy Mayor



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 6, 2026

FROM: 
Gen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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**
- _____ **Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5’s ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) ____) to approve**
- _____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE PROJECT TITLED REPLACEMENT BRIDGE NO. 874178 ALONG NE 10 AVENUE OVER CANAL A, PROJECT NO. 20240256, BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION, LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,559,782.90, INCLUSIVE OF A CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE OF \$630,115.45; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND EXERCISE THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING TERMINATION

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: (a) incorporates the foregoing recital as if fully set forth herein; (b) approves the contract award between Miami-Dade County and Interstate Construction, LLC for the Replacement Bridge No. 874178 along NE 10 Avenue Over Canal A project in an amount not to exceed \$7,559,782.90, inclusive of a contingency allowance of \$630,115.45; and (c) authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute the same and to exercise the provisions contained therein, including termination provisions.

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:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman

Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman

Marleine Bastien

Juan Carlos Bermudez

Sen. René García

Oliver G. Gilbert, III

Roberto J. Gonzalez

Keon Hardemon

Danielle Cohen Higgins

Vicki L. Lopez

Natalie Milian Orbis

Raquel A. Regalado

Micky Steinberg

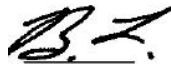
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of October, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into on the [REDACTED] day of [REDACTED], 20 [REDACTED],
by and between Miami-Dade County, Florida, acting by and through the Office of The
Mayor, party of the first part (hereinafter sometimes called the "County"), and
[REDACTED]
Interstate Construction, LLC

party of the second part (hereinafter sometimes called "Contractor");

WITNESSETH

That the parties hereto, for and in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, mutually agree as follows, to wit:

1. That the Contractor shall furnish all plant, labor, materials and equipment and perform all work in the manner and form provided by the Contract Documents covering the Project of the County known and identified as:

Replacement Bridge No. 874178 along NE 10 Avenue Over Canal A
[REDACTED]

for the amount reflected by the Proposal, based on the Contract unit prices shown in the Proposal heretofore provided by the County, a copy of said Proposal being a part of the Contract Documents, the aggregate amount of this Contract (the application of unit prices to the quantities actually performed) not to exceed:

Seven Million, Five Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Eighty
Two Dollars and Ninety Cents

\$7,559,782.90

2. That the Contractor shall begin the work to be performed under this Contract on a day to be specified in a written order issued by the Engineer, and shall fully complete all work hereunder within the time or times stated within the Contract Documents.
3. That the County shall pay to the Contractor for the faithful performance of this Contract, in lawful money of the United States, and subject to additions and deductions as provided in the Contract Documents, the total amount of aggregate unit prices for work performed as set forth above at the times and in a manner stated in the General Covenants and Conditions of the Contract Documents.

4. It is further mutually agreed that if at any time after the execution of this Contract and the Performance Bond and Payment Bond, the County shall find the surety upon such bonds to be unsatisfactory, or if for any reason such bond shall become inadequate to cover the performance of the work, the Contractor shall at his own expense, within five (5) days after the receipt of notice from the County to do so, furnish an additional bond or bonds in such form and amount and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the County. In such event, no further payment to the Contractor shall be deemed to be due under this Contract until such new or additional surety shall have been furnished in a manner and form satisfactory to the County.
5. The "Contract Documents" are hereby defined as: (electronic check box)
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| ☒ Questionnaire | ☒ Proposal |
| ☒ Advertisement for Bids | ☒ Financial Statement |
| ☒ Instructions to Prospective Contractors | ☒ General Covenants and Conditions |
| ☒ Code and Ordinance Requirements | ☒ Additional Contractor Responsibilities |
| ☒ Protest Information | ☒ Applicable Federal Requirements |
| ☒ Special Provisions | ☒ Department of Business Development Provision |
| ☒ Combined Affidavit | ☒ Wages and Benefits Provisions |
| ☒ Specific Code / Affidavits Applications | ☒ Specifications |
| ☒ Ownership Disclosure Form | ☒ Standards |
| ☒ Community Workforce Program;
Job Order Request Form | ☒ Plans / Sketches |
| ☒ Contract | ☒ All Addenda Issued |
| ☒ Bid Bond | ☐ Other |
| ☒ Performance and Payment Bond
(if required, Bid Bond is required) | |
6. The terms and conditions of said Contract Documents are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein. The Contract Documents are complementary, so that a recital in one is tantamount to a recital in all, and the Contractor specifically acknowledges that he has read and understands all of said Contract Documents.
7. The various indemnities of the Contractor contained in the Contract Documents indemnifying the County from liability for damages to persons or property caused by acts, omissions, or defaults in the performance of the Contract Documents shall have a monetary limitation of the larger of the following: \$1,000,000.00, or the entire amount of the Contract.
8. The County retains the right to audit any and all information regarding this Contract as described in the Appendix A – Code and Ordinance Requirements, Section 21 and in the Instructions To Prospective Contractor, Section 19.

CONTRACT NO. 20240256

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract in four counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original Contract, all as of the day and year first herein before written.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

ATTEST: Juan Fernandez-Barquin
Clerk of the Court

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

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Mayor

(PARTY OF THE FIRST PART)

Approved For Sufficiency of Execution Only:

By: _____
Assistant County Attorney

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WHEN THE CONTRACTOR IS A CORPORATION:

(CORPORATION SEAL)

ATTEST By: _____

(Secretary)

MNA GRANDEIRA
(Print or type name)

Interstate Construction, LLC
(Name of Corporation)

(Signature of Officer)

Gustavo H. Garguercq
(Print or type name)

Manager
(Official Title)

2501 SW 160th Ave, Suite -400

Miramar, FL 33027
(Address)

(PARTY OF THE SECOND PART)

* Attach to each counterpart a certified copy of a resolution of the Board of Directors of the corporation authorizing the officer who signs the Contract, the Performance Bond and Payment Bond to do so in its behalf.