

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(3)

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

DATE: April 1, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing establishment of Prequalification Pool No. Evn0000479 for the purchase of Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts, Services, and Equipment in a total amount up to \$81,250,000.00 for a five-year term for the Water and Sewer Department; and authorizing the County Mayor 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 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; provided that any contract award under the pool exceeding \$5,000,000.00 is ratified by the Board

Resolution No. R-356-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Strategic Procurement Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chairman Kionne L. McGhee.



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Date: April 1, 2025

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
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From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor 

Subject: Recommendation for Approval to Establish a Prequalification Pool for Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts, Services, and Equipment

Summary

This pool is for the purchase of water and wastewater treatment parts, services, and equipment for the Water and Sewer Department (WASD). Upon establishment of the pool, WASD will make purchases via spot market competition on an as-needed basis. These purchases may include, but are not limited to, liquid-solid separation and agitation equipment, parts, units, and repair services in conjunction with the needs of the department such as refurbishment of water production plants, installing filters for water production, and installing channel gates. Also included is the purchasing of owner furnished equipment, such as cloth media filters, for the Ocean Outfall Legislation Program and other regulatory required capital improvement projects. WASD continuously upgrades and maintains the Miami-Dade County (County) water and sewer infrastructure to prevent deterioration and future service failures. Failure to maintain the County's water and sewer infrastructure can result in cascading system failures throughout the County, which would create public health concerns.

Approval of this item will allow the establishment of a prequalification pool for WASD to continue supporting departmental critical operations to maintain water quality and wastewater treatment standards, in accordance with the State of Florida regulatory requirements. WASD uses water and wastewater liquid separation equipment at their treatment plants to separate solids from liquid as part of the water and wastewater treatment processes. The existing pool, *RTQ-01360*, was not recommended for extension due to the need for revisions to the scope of work for repair and installation services under Group B. Specifically, it was necessary to clarify that installation work under this group should be limited to direct replacements of equipment with identical or functionally equivalent items or repaired within the same group, without involving any permitting. Any major work intended to increase capacity and requiring permits will be managed separately under the Miscellaneous Construction Contracts (MCC) Program. These factors led to the decision to advertise a new pool rather than extend the current one.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the establishment of a prequalification pool, *EVN0000479, Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts, Services, and Equipment*, with a total allocation of \$81,250,000 for a five-year term for WASD. The establishment of a pool is recommended due to the varying infrastructures, equipment, parts, and units for water and wastewater treatment systems that need to be serviced, replaced and/or repaired, which makes it difficult to establish estimated quantities for a fixed-price contract. The pool will streamline processes and reduce time to procure these goods and services.

This pool will replace *Prequalification Pool No. RTQ-01360*, which was established by the Board through Resolution No. R-727-20 for a five-year term. The pool was subsequently modified by the Board through Resolution No. R-279-21 for additional expenditure authority. There are 19 vendors prequalified under the current pool, three of which are local, including one certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE) firm. In the replacement pool, eleven vendors are being recommended for inclusion, three of which are local, including one certified SBE firm.

Background

A Request to Qualify was issued on April 10, 2024, notifying 516 vendors in INFORMS. On the closing date of May 1, 2024, the County received 15 submittals. Two submittals were received after the closing date. Of the 17 submittals, five were submitted by local firms, including one certified SBE firm.

WASD has been using the existing pool extensively to support required operational and capital projects. The department has been purchasing various types of liquid-solid separation and agitation equipment, parts, units, refurbishing water production plant lime kilns, structural rehab of secondary clarifiers at the wastewater treatment plants, and other repair services to maintain and enhance the County's water and wastewater plants, as well as its water distribution and wastewater collection systems. The products being purchased under the pool must comply with the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and American Water Works Association standards (AWWA). In addition to supporting daily operations and capital improvement needs to facilitate Consent Decree projects, the pool is also utilized to respond to emergencies and conduct expeditious repairs.

The pool includes three groups: Group A - Purchase of Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts and Equipment; Group B - Repair and Installation Services of Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts, and Equipment; and Group C - Rental of Water and Wastewater Treatment Units.

To ensure maximum opportunity for local and small businesses to participate in this solicitation and subsequent spot market competition thereunder, prior to advertisement, market research was conducted, and the scope of services was posted on the Strategic Procurement Department's (SPD's) future solicitation website for two weeks. Additional outreach efforts included contacting vendors identified through market research, as well as notifying incumbent vendors.

Scope

The scope of this item is countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The fiscal impact for the five-year term is \$81,250,000. The current pool has a cumulative allocation of \$81,753,000 for a five-year term and expires on August 31, 2025. The allocation under the replacement pool is approximately the same as the current contract pool on an annualized basis.

Department	Allocation	Funding Source	Pool Manager
WASD	\$81,250,000	Proprietary Funds	Fredrick Taylor
Total	\$81,250,000		

Track Record/Monitor

Manuel Jimenez of SPD is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Delegated Authority

If this item is approved, a pool of prequalified vendors will be established to participate in spot market competitions. The County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee will have the authority to solicit pricing and award contracts up to an aggregate amount of the allocation authorized by the Board. The County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee will also have the authority to (a) 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 (b) add vendors to the pool at any time, subject to ratification by the Board on a bi-annual basis. Any contract award under the prequalification pool exceeding \$5,000,000 is subject to ratification by the Board.

Vendors Prequalified for Pool

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-477-18, fewer than 75 percent of vendors recommended are local due to the specialized nature of the required products and services, and the unique expertise required. To include additional qualified local vendors, staff will continue to work with the remaining incumbent vendors that are pending to provide documentation to finalize their prequalification review.

The Office of Small Business Development reviewed the project, inclusive of surveys and phone calls, and identified nine SBE firms certified in the applicable commodity code at the time of review. From this, three or more did not respond as being able to meet the project requirements. The pool will remain open, and outreach will continue to be conducted to encourage additional participation by qualified local vendors.

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Principal	Groups Recommended
Andritz Separation, Inc.	1010 Commercial Boulevard South Arlington, TX	None	Olaf Edmund	A, B, and C
Arroyo Process Equipment Inc	1550 Centennial Boulevard Bartow, FL	2647 W 81 Street Hialeah, FL	Diane Schleicher	A and B
Condo Electric Industrial Supply, Inc. (SBE, DBE)	3746 East 10 Court Hialeah, FL	Same	Hector Gomez	A and B
DXP Enterprises, Inc. dba Carter and Verplanck, a DXP Company	5301 Hollister Street Houston, TX	None	David Little	A and B
Fluid Control Specialties, LLC	111 Maritime Drive Sanford, FL	None	Robert Whritenour	A and B
JWC Environmental Inc.	2850 South Red Hill Avenue, Santa Ana, CA	None	Clive Patten	A
Heyward Florida Incorporated	415 Country Club Drive Winter Park, FL	None	David Stewart	B
MKI Services, Inc.	7284 W Palmetto Park Road Boca Raton, FL	None	John M. Mushinsky	A and B
Mid-West Hose & Specialty Inc.	3312 South I-35 Service Road Oklahoma City, OK	None	Mark Holloway	A
R.C. Beach & Assoc., Inc.	625 Grand Central Street Clearwater, FL	None	William Beach	A
Supply Solutions Intl, Corp.	15736 SW 145 Terrace Miami, FL	Same	Anthony Figueroa	A and B

Vendors Not Prequalified for Pool

SPD is providing guidance to vendors that did not meet the prequalification requirements, including a vendor that has submitted an application for Group C. Upon submission of the required documents and/or verification of information, the vendors may be added to the pool.

Vendor	Local Address	Reason for Not Recommending
ALM Machine, Inc.	Yes	
Aqua-Aerobics Systems Inc.*	No	Vendors did not submit the required documents to satisfy the prequalification criteria. Upon submission and verification of the required documents, the vendors may be added to the pool.
ClearStream Environmental	No	
Kubco Services LLC*	No	
Pieralisi North America, Inc,	No	
RF Environmental Services, Inc.	Yes	

*Provided submittal after due date.

Due Diligence

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with SPD's Procurement Guidelines to determine vendor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance and compliance issues through various vendor responsibility lists and a keyword internet search. The lists that were referenced included convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. The review identified that one vendor, DXP Enterprises, Inc. dba Carter and Verplanck, a DXP Company, had multiple Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) complaints and violations; however, the vendor worked with OSHA to resolve all complaints and settle the violations. None of the aforementioned issues adversely impact the vendor's performance under the County's pool. There were no other adverse findings relating to vendor responsibility.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-140-15, prior to re-procurement, a full review of the scope of services was conducted to ensure the replacement pool reflects the County's current needs. The review included conducting market research, posting a draft solicitation for industry comments, and holding meetings and drafting sessions with the user department. The scope of work for Group B has been revised to ensure that installation work under this group is limited to the in-kind replacement of equipment purchased or repaired under this group only and does not require any permitting. Any major work aimed at increasing capacity, which requires permitting, will be performed as part of the MCC Program.

Applicable Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program applies.
- SBE measures will be determined prior to advertising each spot market competition. Local Preference will be applied at the time of spot market competition where permitted by funding source.
- The Living Wage Ordinance applies to Group B only.


Jimmy Morales
Chief Operating Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
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DATE: April 1, 2025

FROM: 
Glen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(P)(3)

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 ____, majority plus one ____, 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) ____, 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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4-1-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-356-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF PREQUALIFICATION POOL NO. EVN0000479 FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PARTS, SERVICES, AND EQUIPMENT IN A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$81,250,000.00 FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM FOR THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT; 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; PROVIDED THAT ANY CONTRACT AWARD UNDER THE POOL EXCEEDING \$5,000,000.00 IS RATIFIED BY THE BOARD

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

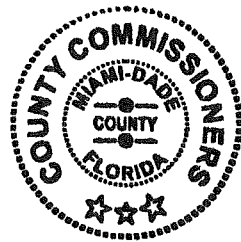
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board authorizes the establishment of Prequalification Pool No. EVN0000479 for the purchase of Water and Wastewater Treatment Parts, Services, and Equipment in a total amount up to \$81,250,000.00 for a five-year term for the Water and Sewer Department; and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to (a) solicit pricing and award contracts up to an aggregate amount of the allocation authorized by the Board, (b) 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 (c) add vendors to the pool at any time, subject to ratification by

the Board on a bi-annual basis; provided that any contract award under the pool exceeding \$5,000,000.00 is ratified by the Board. A copy of the pool documents is on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Roberto J. Gonzalez** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of April, 2025. 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: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Jose I. Ortega