



Legislation Text

File #: 23-2740, **Version:** 1

Department: Purchasing

Department Head/Elected Official: DeWight Dopslauf

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Contract - Renewal

Project ID (if applicable): 190184

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): UFL, Inc.

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): 10%

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: Choose an item.

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request for approval of a renewal option with UFL, Inc. for selective clearing of underbrush, tree, debris removal, desnag operations and herbicide applications for the Flood Control District for the period of August 1, 2023 - July 31, 2024, at a cost of \$750,000, and for the County Clerk to execute any applicable bonds to be received (190184), MWDBE Contracted Goal: 10%.

Background and Discussion: Selective clearing involves the "selective" removal of trees and shrubs on natural, forested channels to create and maintain storm water conveyance without eliminating the benefit of shade producing tree canopies. The larger channels are programmatically scheduled to ensure sites are worked on a regular basis some are worked more often than others depending on the stability of the channel. Small blockages that develop between clearing cycles will be removed as needed.

Expected Impact: Forested channels provide many communities and environmental benefits enjoyed by Harris County residents. Renewal of this contract will allow the program to stay on a regular schedule of maintenance for the designated channels. In addition, this contract supports the District's overall guidance on the maintenance of natural channels.

Alternative Options: An alternative option would be to eliminate the contract and program and have the stormwater conveyance restoration and blockage removal activities limited to in-house boat operations.

Alignment with Goal(s):

- ☐ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation

☒ Flooding
☒ Environment
☐ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action:

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
06/29/2021	370	Renewal 2 approved for term 08/01/2021 - 07/31/2022
06/14/2022	189	Renewal 3 approved for term 08/01/2022 - 07/31/2023

Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name		Selective Clearing	
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
Tax Revenue - FCD	\$750,000.00	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$750,000.00	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: 05/16/2023**Anticipated Implementation Date** (if different from Court date): 08/01/2023

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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Attachments: Route Sheet

Purchasing memorandum dated April 18, 2023