

Business Operations
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**SUBJECT: AWARD TO F & L CONSTRUCTION, INC.
PROJECT NO. A0772
DESIGN-BUILD-ADDITIONS, RENOVATIONS AND REMODELING
HIALEAH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
550 East 8 Street, Hialeah, Florida**

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Six Design-Build contractors responded to the Request for Qualifications and four were selected for invitation to bid on the design criteria. The construction budget is \$3,343,013. The Design Criteria Professional's (DCP) cost estimate is \$3,343,013. The Base Bid of the low bidder is 17.9% over the budget.

The DCP was assigned in April 2001. The estimate provided by the independent estimator in August 2002 was \$3,953,533. The project was delayed and deductive alternates included and the budget reduced, when in excess of \$1 Million of PECO funding was withheld. Full funding is now available and the base bid is within the original estimate adjusted for inflation. The architect's analysis and recommendation is provided as Board back-up.

This project includes minority business enterprise subcontracting assistance levels.

Advertised bids received and opened on February 3, 2004 by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, have been tabulated and analyzed as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BOND/ CHECK</u>	<u>DEDUCTIVE ALTERNATES</u>	<u>BASE BID</u>
F & L Construction, Inc. Hialeah, FL	5%	1) 45,000 2) 12,500 3) 40,970 4) 20,002 5) 27,849 6)149,200	\$ 4,072,288
Veitia Padron, Inc. Miami, FL	5%	1) 42,000 2) 26,000 3) 52,000 4) 35,000 5) 60,000 6)245,000	4,278,000

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Hewett-Kier Construction, Inc. Pompano Beach, FL	5%	1) 51,000 2) 39,000 3) 60,000 4) 55,000 5) 23,000 6) 292,000	\$ 4,965,000

Distribution

Base Bid (Design Build)	<u>\$ 4,072,288</u>
Total Contract	4,072,288
Design Criteria Professional Fee	202,330
Other Professional Services	179,340
Administrative Overhead	388,895
Project Contingency	<u>407,229</u>
Total Funds Required	<u>\$ 5,250,082</u>

Fund Source

Fund 0312 - COBI Series 1996A
 0379 - LOML 2002-03
 Program 2037 - Hialeah Elementary
 Location 2361

Description

This project is for a two-story addition. It includes a portable replacement and a media center.

Deductive Alternates

- Alternate No. 1- Security System for existing school.
- Alternate No. 2- Emergency lighting for existing school.
- Alternate No. 3- Safety-to-Life items such as ADA upgrade in existing group toilet renovations, smoke detectors in unoccupied spaces and provision of 1 hour fire protection at wood roof framing.
- Alternate No. 4- Replace existing classrooms lighting.
- Alternate No. 5- Provide new acoustical ceiling.
- Alternate No. 6- Central receiving / Custodial work room.

The Design Criteria Professional, Rodriguez Peterson Porras and District staff recommended award of the contract to the low bidder, F & L Construction, Inc.

The Principal/Owner of F & L Construction, Inc. is Mr. Julio C. Batista. The Project Architect is Brown & Brown Architects and the Principal/Owner is Mr. William Brown.

This project was bid with M.B.E. subcontracting assistance levels of 18% African-American and 6% Women. The recommended contractor will submit M/WBE subcontractors as participants in this project which will be reviewed and monitored for compliance with overall M/WBE assistance levels of 24%.

M/WBE Eligibility

None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

- 1) transfer \$796,889 from Program 0001 - Undistributed Capital Contingency to Program 2037 - Hialeah Elementary Project;
- 2) make the changes to the five year facilities work program resulting from this budget adjustment; and
- 3) award Project No. A0772, Design-Build, Hialeah Elementary School, on the basis of Base Bid in the amount of \$ 4,072,288 to the low bidder:

F & L Construction, Inc.
8095 West 21 Lane
Hialeah, Florida 33016

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