

January 31, 2008

Office of School Facilities  
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**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXERCISE THE SECOND ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR OPTION OF THE AGREEMENTS WITH PB AMERICAS, INC., SOARES DA COSTA CONTRACTOR, INC., AND URS CORPORATION TO PROVIDE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

**COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

Introduction

On February 16, 2005, as part of an on-going effort to ensure the successful execution of the District's construction and maintenance programs, the Board commissioned three firms to provide Program Management Support Services (PMSS). The original commissioning provided for a two-year term, with three additional one-year terms at the option of the Board. The purpose of the commissioning is to assist District staff in managing the planning, design, and construction of projects listed under the Five-Year Capital Plan (5-Year Plan). Specifically, the primary intent is to utilize these PMSS to work in tandem with our construction and maintenance staff, as needed, thereby facilitating the accomplishment of the District's goals regarding the delivery of the 5-Year Plan.

The following three firms were commissioned to provide these services:

- PB Americas Inc. (formerly known as Parsons Brinckerhoff Construction Services, Inc. (Parsons))
- Soares da Costa Contractor Inc. (Soares)
- URS Corporation (URS)

On January 17, 2007, the Board approved the first additional one-year option with the understanding that the terms and conditions of the original contract were to be re-negotiated. Then on February 14, 2007, these Agreements were amended to reflect the re-negotiated terms and conditions as follows:

1. Standard Multiplier: 2.44 - Applicable to personnel utilized by the PMSS firm for which the PMSS and/or its consultants provide office space and all necessary equipment.

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2. Provisional Multiplier: 2.17 - Applicable to personnel utilized by the PMSS firm for which the Board provides office space and all necessary equipment.

All other terms and conditions of the Agreements remained the same.

The total values of work orders issued to date from January 17, 2007 through January 16, 2008 are as follows:

- Parsons       \$     967,146
- Soares       \$   1,886,785
- URS           \$     688,822

### Performance Evaluation

The firm's current overall performance evaluation scores issued by staff for 2007, based on a scale of 1-5, are as follows:

- Parsons - 4.24
- Soares - 3.94
- URS - 3.75

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the second additional one-year option of the PMSS Agreements, and retain the right to re-negotiate fees, terms and conditions for this option year as well as the final option year.

### Principals

The Principal-in-Charge for PB Americas, Inc., is G. Dewey Martin, III. The firm is located at 7300 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 600, Miami, Florida 33126.

The Principal-in-Charge for Soares Da Costa Contractor, Inc., is Antonio Miranda-Esteves. The firm is located at 7270 NW 12 Street, Suite 100, Miami, Florida 33126.

The Principal-in-Charge for URS Corporation, is Brian J. Morris. The firm is located at 7650 Corporate Drive, Suite 400, Miami, Florida 33126.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent, or his designee, to exercise the second additional one-year option of the Agreements with PB Americas Inc., Soares Da Costa Contractor, Inc., and URS Corporation to provide Program Management Support Services, as follows:

- 1) per the amended terms and conditions approved by the Board on February 14, 2007, and
- 2) to retain the right to re-negotiate fees, terms and conditions for this option year as well as the final option year.

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