

Financial Services  
Mrs. Judith M. Marte, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT:                   AWARD ITB NO. ITB-14-057-CV – TREE, PALM AND SHRUB  
PRUNING/REMOVAL**

**COMMITTEE:               FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
BLUEPRINT:               EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES**

Procurement Management Services, at the request of The Office of School Facilities, released the above-referenced solicitation. The purpose of this Invitation to Bid is to establish a pool of pre-approved vendors to furnish all labor, supervision, equipment and materials necessary to perform tree, palm and shrub, trimming, pruning and stump removal for The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. This is a term bid which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be needed, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. In addition, this Invitation to Bid was advertised on the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Procurement Management Services' website, the DemandStar website, Bid Net, Florida Bid, the Miami Times and El Diario Las Americas newspapers, as well as emailed to 82 potential bidders.

In addition to the services noted above, Bidders must be certified by the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) prior to being recommended for award.

The initial term of the bid shall be for a two (2) year period, commencing November 18, 2015 through November 17, 2017, and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the successful bidders, be extended for three (3) additional one (1) year periods.

Strategies were employed to increase SBE/MBE participation, however during the Goal Setting Committee meeting, the recommendation for this solicitation was to be open, not sheltered, as a large number of SBE/MBE vendors were not identified, within the commodity code(s). Based on the criteria listed in the solicitation, eleven (11) vendors are being recommended for award. Of these eleven (11), two (2) are MBE certified.

Fund Source  
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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AWARD** Bid No. ITB-14-057-CV – TREE, PALM AND SHRUB PRUNING/REMOVAL, to establish a pool of pre-approved vendors, to furnish all labor, supervision, equipment and materials necessary to perform tree, palm and shrub, trimming, pruning and stump removal for The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with an effective date of November 18, 2015 through November 17, 2017, including extensions thereto, as follows:

1. A NATIVE TREE SERVICE, INC.  
15733 S.W. 117<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33177  
OWNER: ANGELA TOMASETTI, CORPORATE OFFICER
2. ARBORCARE, INC.  
63 E. 57TH STREET  
HIALEAH, FL 33013  
OWNER: JOE R. RODRIGUEZ, PRESIDENT  
**Self-declared Hispanic**
3. ATLANTIC TREE CARE, LLC  
22975 S.W. 182<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33170  
OWNER: RODGER K. CROUSE, MEMBER
4. BIG RON'S TREE SERVICE, LLC **MBE**  
16221 S.W. 98<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33157  
OWNER: RON VON PAULUS, MANAGING MEMBER
5. FLORIDA COAST SERVICES, INC.  
6664 SWEET MAPLE LANE  
BOCA RATON, FL 33433  
OWNER: DONNA MULGREW, PRESIDENT
6. FLORIDA TURF AND LANDSCAPE HORTICULTURE, INC.  
400 N.W. 129<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33182  
OWNER: HENRY PERDOMO, PRESIDENT  
**Self-declared Hispanic**
7. GREEN WISE GROUP, LLC  
19191 S.W. 232<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33170  
OWNER: GENE SHERWOOD, MANAGING MEMBER

8. MITCHELL'S LAWN MAINTENANCE CORP.  
15665 S.W. 117<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33177  
OWNER: ELSA GELMAN, PRESIDENT  
**Self-declared Hispanic**
  
9. SFM SERVICES, INC.  
9700 N.W. 79<sup>th</sup> AVENUE  
HIALEAH GARDENS, FL 33016  
OWNER: CHRISTIAN INFANTE, PRESIDENT  
**Self-declared Hispanic**
  
10. SUPERIOR LANDSCAPING & LAWN SERVICE, INC. **MBE**  
2200 N.W. 23<sup>RD</sup> AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33142  
OWNER: ORLANDO OTERO, PRESIDENT  
**Hispanic-American**
  
11. THOMAS MAINTENANCE SERVICES, INC.  
16205 S.W. 117<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, #7  
MIAMI, FL 33177  
OWNER: MARY THOMAS, PRESIDENT  
**Self-declared African-American**

Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$400,000, for the initial contract term, and an amount not to exceed \$200,000, for each subsequent one (1) year extension period(s). Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amount shown will be expended.

**MBE-Micro Business Enterprise**

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