

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

SUBJECT: REJECT ITB NO. ITB-15-021-ND – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT SERVICES

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES

This item requests the School Board's approval of the bid rejection (s) identified below:

Upon further review staff has determined that there is a need to revise the specifications, and it would be in the best interest of the District to reject the above-referenced bid(s) and re-advertise. Competitive prices will be solicited for these items, as the need arises, pursuant to School Board Policy 6320, *Purchasing*.

ITB-15-021-ND – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT SERVICES, was released to establish a pre-approved vendor list for information technology consultants that would provide various services for Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Fifty-four vendors responded, with only three being certified as SBE/MBE. In order to be in compliance with the recently updated Board Policy, 6320.02, *Small/Micro and Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise Programs* and Board Policy 6320.06 *Diversity, Equity, And Inclusion in Business Operations and Practices*, this Bid is recommended to be rejected to revise specifications to allow for more diverse vendor participation.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **REJECT ITB NO. ITB-15-021-ND – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT**, to permit rebidding using revised specifications to allow for more diverse vendor participation.

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