

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

SUBJECT: AWARD RFP NO. RFP-15-034-MT – DISPARITY STUDY SERVICES

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES

Procurement Management Services at the request of the Office of Economic Opportunity, released the above-referenced solicitation. The purpose of this Request for Proposal is to select qualified and experienced individuals and/or organizations for the development and implementation of Disparity Study Services for Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

In February 2013, the Board requested the completion of Phase I of a Comprehensive Disparity Study (Phase I Disparity Study) to provide data regarding the Board's design and construction related professional services procurement activity and race and gender-neutral remedial efforts for the study period between July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2012. The purpose of the Phase I Disparity Study was to specifically analyze the utilization of M/WBEs in the Board's procurement of capital construction and design and construction related professional services.

The purpose of this disparity study is to determine whether there is evidence showing that ready, willing, and able M/WBEs are significantly underutilized in goods/supplies, services, and maintenance and maintenance-related services contracts issued by the School Board. For purposes of this study, "ready, willing and able M/WBEs" are defined in accordance with School Board Policy 6320.02, Small/Micro and Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise Programs.

This RFP was advertised on the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Procurement Management Services' website, the DemandStar website, The Miami Times, The Diario Las Americas newspapers, Bid Net and Florida Bid, as well as emailed to four potential bidders.

The initial term of the bid shall be for one (1) year period, commencing May 11, 2016 through May 10, 2017, and may, by mutual agreement between the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the successful bidder(s), be extended for one (1) additional one (1) year period.

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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).

The Selection Committee reviewed the following three (3) vendor proposals: Euquant, Inc.; Mason Tillman Associates, Ltd.; and Miller3 Consulting, Inc. After considerable discussion and the Best and Final price discount of 3% for the initial one year term, the Selection Committee has recommended the award to one (1) vendor, Miller3 Consulting, Inc. Miller3 Consulting, Inc. is a minority owned firm and will be subcontracting with The Mosaic Group, a small minority business firm located in Palm Beach County.

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

1. AWARD RFP No. RFP-15-034-MT – DISPARITY STUDY SERVICES, to select qualified and experienced individuals and/or organizations for the development and implementation of Disparity Study Services for The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, effective May 11, 2016 through May 10, 2017, and may, by mutual agreement between the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida and the successful bidder, be extended for one (1) additional one (1) year extension period thereto, as follows:

MILLER3 CONSULTING, INC.
400 PRYOR STREET, #4068
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30302
OWNER/OFFICER: LAUREN MILLER, DIRECTOR,
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$193,296, for the initial contract term of one year, and an amount not to exceed \$193,296, for the subsequent one (1) year extension period (s). Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amounts shown will be expended.

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