

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2014**

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-26

WHEREAS, The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO), seeks to demolish 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations, and to remove artwork from the buildings prior to demolition at the Florida Housing Community; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department has certified there is sufficient funding to provide for demolition of 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations, and removed artwork from the buildings prior to demolition at the Florida Housing Community; and

WHEREAS, HANO issued Invitation for Bids (IFB) Number 14-912-35, to procure a contractor to demolish 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations, and remove artwork from the buildings, which was published in the Times-Picayune on Wednesday, August 6, 2014, Friday, August 15, 2014 and Wednesday, August 20, 2014, in the Baton Rouge Advocate on Friday, August 15, 2014, Monday, August 18, 2014 and Wednesday, August 20, 2014; and in the Louisiana Weekly, a minority owned, local publication on Monday, August 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a local artist painted a number of graffiti murals in several of the buildings at the site, and he and his representative contacted HANO requesting retrieval of the artwork for preservation, at their expense, prior to the start of demolition; and

WHEREAS, the cost to remove the artwork was calculated as a unit price cost based on 2,500sq.ft. and requested of the bidders as an add alternate to the base bid demolition cost; and

WHEREAS, after receipt of the bids, the artist's representative was contacted and agreed to reimburse HANO for the alternate amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per 2,500sq.ft. for removal of the artwork from the buildings at the Florida Housing Community; and

WHEREAS, responses to the Invitation for Bids (IFB) Number 14-912-35; were received on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, from five (5) contractors; and

WHEREAS, the lowest, responsive, responsible bid was received from Bayou General Contractors, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Bayou General Contractors, Inc. submitted evidence of their commitment to comply with HANO's requirements relative to subcontracting opportunities for DBE/WBE and Section 3 Businesses, and will work with HANO's Section 3 Coordinator to identify training opportunities for Section 3 residents; and

WHEREAS, HANO has successfully completed due diligence verification on Bayou General Contractors, Inc., and determined they are responsible; and

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WHEREAS, it is recommended that approval be given to award a contract to Bayou General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$418,000.00), pursuant to Invitation for Bids Number 14-912-35, which includes the base bid amount of \$408,000.00 to demolish the buildings; and add alternate number one in the amount of \$10,000.00 to remove existing artwork from the buildings prior to demolition.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans hereby authorizes the award of a contract to Bayou General Contractors, Inc., in the amount of Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$418,000.00) to demolish 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations and remove artwork from the buildings prior to demolition at the Florida Housing Community, pursuant to Invitation for Bids Number 14-912-35.

Executed this 30th day of September, 2014

APPROVAL:



DWAYNE G. BERNAL
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



September 30, 2014

MEMORANDUM

**To: Dwayne G. Bernal
Chairman, Board of Commissioners**

**Through: Gregg Fortner
Executive Director**

**From: Audrey Plessy
Procurement Manager**

**Re: Invitation for Bids #14-912-35
Demolition of Eight (8) Townhouses and Twenty-Five (25) Duplex
Foundations at the Florida Housing Community**

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) issued an Invitation for Bids Number 14-912-35 (IFB) on Wednesday, August 6, 2014 for the purpose of procuring a contractor to perform demolition of 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations, and to remove artwork from the buildings prior to demolition at the Florida Housing Community.

The bid package was prepared and distributed by the Procurement and Contracts Department through the project architect. The Invitation for Bids was advertised for a total of forty-two (42) days. The advertisement was published in the Times-Picayune on Wednesday, August 6, 2014, Friday, August 15, 2014 and Wednesday, August 20, 2014 and in the Baton Rouge Advocate on Friday, August 15, 2014, Monday, August 18, 2014 and Wednesday, August 20, 2014. Additionally, the advertisement was published in the Louisiana Weekly, a minority owned, local publication on Monday, August 11, 2014. Finally, the solicitation, in its entirety, was posted on the Bid Express website and made available to subscribers electronically for download. On Tuesday, September 16, 2014, five (5) responses were received from the following contractors:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Add Alternate</u>
Bayou General Contractors, Inc.	\$408,000.00	\$10,000.00
Insulation Technologies, Inc.	\$694,000.00	\$29,800.00
Hamp's Construction, LLC	\$805,500.00	\$15,000.00
Durr Heavy Construction, LLC	\$848,500.00	\$23,000.00
Cross Environmental Services, Inc.	\$948,000.00	\$12,500.00

In 2013, a local artist painted a number of graffiti murals in several of the buildings at the site. He and his representative contacted HANO requesting retrieval of the artwork for preservation, at their expense. Therefore, the cost to remove the artwork was calculated as a unit price cost based on 2,500sq.ft. The cost was requested of the bidders as an add alternate to the base bid

demolition cost. If the alternate is accepted, the additional work would be performed prior to the start of demolition.

After receipt of the bids, the artist's representative was contacted and agreed to reimburse HANO for the alternate amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per 2,500sq.ft removal of the artwork from the buildings at the Florida Housing Community.

In that, Bayou General Contractors, Inc., submitted the lowest, responsive bid, a due diligence review was conducted. The review consisted of a reference verification, whereby references were contacted to respond to questions regarding the previous work performance of the contractor. The List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs was checked to ensure that the contractor is not debarred from participation in federally funded contracts. Further, the Louisiana Secretary of State and Louisiana Licensing Board of Contractors websites were checked to determine if the contractor is registered and licensed with the State. Results from the due diligence review indicate that the bidder is responsible.

Therefore, I hereby certify that this procurement was conducted in accordance with all applicable Federal and State regulations and laws, and in accordance with HANO's procurement policy. I further certify that Bayou General Contractors, Inc. submitted the lowest, responsive and responsible bid. As such, it is recommended that approval be given to award a contract to Bayou General Contractors, Inc., in the amount of Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand dollars (\$418,000.00) to demolish 8 townhouses and 25 duplex foundations, and to remove artwork from the buildings prior to demolition at the Florida Housing Community, pursuant to Invitation for Bids Number 14-912-35. This amount includes the base bid amount of \$408,000.00 to demolish the buildings; and alternate number one in the amount of \$10,000.00 to remove existing artwork from the buildings prior to demolition.