

FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT

May 17, 2016



To: All Commissioners
From: Janet Zimmerman, Assistant Executive Director
Subject: Acceptance of the Qualified Low Bid for the Planting of a Native Vegetation Buffer at Dredged Material Management Area MSA-726 (Exchange Club Park), in the City of Pompano Beach, Broward County, FL. (Supplemental to Board Agenda Item #13, 05-20-16)

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Staff requested bids to plant a native vegetation buffer at the District's Long-Range, Dredged Material Management Area (DMMA) MSA-726 (Exchange Club Park) in the City of Pompano Beach. The Alternate Bid for this project would provide for the installation of a temporary irrigation system rather than the original bid requirement of hand watering.

The District received two responses to this item. They are summarized as follows:

<u>NAME OF BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF BID</u>	<u>ALT BID</u>
1. VisualScape Inc.	\$341,626.00	\$347,526.00
2. Superior Landscaping & Lawn Services Inc.	\$384,629.90	\$369,129.90

Taylor Engineering has evaluated and qualified VisualScape, Inc. as the low bidder with the bid price of \$341,626 and an Alternate Bid of \$347,526.

Staff is requesting the Board approve both of the contractors in the listed order, as well as their proposed budgets for this project. Staff will then work with VisualScape, Inc. as the low bidder. Should contract negotiations with VisualScape fail, staff is requesting the option to negotiate with Superior Landscaping & Lawn Services Inc.



May 16, 2016

Mr. Mark Crosley
Executive Director
Florida Inland Navigation District
1314 Marcinski Road
Jupiter, FL 33477

Re: MSA-726 Landscaping Project
VisualScape, Inc. Bid Review

Dear Mr. Crosley:

On May 13, 2016, the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) received two bid packages for the MSA-726 Landscaping project. The bid values were tightly clustered (\$341,692 – \$384,629.90) and the low bid was within approximately 4% of Taylor Engineering's estimate of \$359,306.60. VisualScape, Inc., the low bidder based in Miami, Florida, submitted an all-inclusive bid of \$341,692.00 and an all-inclusive Alternative bid of \$347,526.00.

We have reviewed VisualScape's bid package. It includes the required Bid Form, Bid Schedule, Bid Bond, Public Entity Crime Statement, and the Affidavit for Surety Company. Notably, the Bid Schedule contains a mathematical error for Bid Item 021i – Sand Cordgrass. The Bid Schedule lists the unit cost as \$8.00 each for 1,412 units. However, the total cost appears as \$11,312.00. The correct number is \$11,296. In addition, there was a mathematical error in their calculations. Therefore, their actual bid price is \$341,626 and remains the lowest bid. This discrepancy has been discussed with VisualScape, Inc. and they have concurred in writing that with the price of \$341,626. This means their total bid price including the Alternate Bid is \$347,526. In our opinion, this oversight is a minor discrepancy in the bid package, and therefore, we consider the bid from VisualScape to be responsive.

VisualScape also included a copy of its active State of Florida Irrigation Specialty Contractor (No. SCC131151702) license. As of today, no official complaints against this license appear on the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation website (<https://www.myfloridalicense.com/>).

As evidence of its qualifications, VisualScape submitted three similar projects for evaluation. These three projects include one City of Coral Gables landscaping project, one City of Hialeah landscape beautification project, and one City of Hallendale Beach new landscape installation project. All three projects do included new landscape installations.

Finally, Taylor Engineering reviewed the individual Bid Items and concluded VisualScape's bid is balanced and generally consistent with the Engineer's Estimate. Therefore, based on our review, we recommend that FIND award the MSA-726 Landscaping contract to VisualScape. Please contact me at (904)731-7040 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

John Adams, P.E.
Senior Advisor



**SECTION 00 41 63A
BID SCHEDULE**



ALL BID ITEMS SHALL INCLUDE ALL COSTS FOR FURNISHING TO THE OWNER ALL MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, PERMITS, AND FOR ALL COSTS INCURRED IN PROVIDING ALL WORK SHOWN ON THE MSA-726 LANDSCAPING PROJECT DRAWINGS AND OUTLINED IN THE CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNITS	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
SECTION A: OPERATIONS					
LUMP SUM					
01	Insurance	LS	1	\$700.00	\$700.00
02	Mobilization	LS	1	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
03	Environmental Protection and Erosion Control	LS	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
04	As-Built Survey	LS	1	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
05	Demobilization	LS	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
SECTION B: SITE PREPARATION					
LUMP SUM					
06	Grid Layout and Existing Feature Location	LS	1	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
07	Vine Removal, Additional Vegetation and Debris Removal	LS	1	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
08	Post-Emergent Herbicide Application	LS	1	\$800.00	\$800.00
09	Establish Water Supply/Temporary Irrigation Measures	LS	1	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
10	Earthwork and Grading	LS	1	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
UNIT COST					
11	Topsoil Placement for Fine Grading	CY	80	\$45.00	\$3,600.00
12	Fine Grading (includes Berm and Buffer Areas)	EA	10	\$400.00	\$4,000.00
13	Silt Fence Installation	LF	760	\$4.00	\$3,040.00
SECTION C: LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION					
LUMP SUM					
14	Mulch Installation (includes installation around installed trees, shrubs, and 1st layer of walking path)	LS	1	\$38,600.00	\$38,600.00
15	Meadow Seeding	LS	1	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
16	Grassing (hydroseed application)	LS	1	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00
17	Pine Needle Walking Path	LS	1	\$7,200.00	\$7,200.00
18	Stone Parking Lot (includes preparation, excavation, and rock installation)	LS	1	\$10,775.00	\$10,775.00

UNIT COST					
19	Tree Relocation	EA	30	\$400.00	\$12,000.00
20	Tree Installation				
a	<i>Sea Grape</i>	EA	11	\$325.00	\$3,575.00
b	<i>Live Oak</i>	EA	6	\$450.00	\$2,700.00
c	<i>Gumbo Limbo</i>	EA	16	\$300.00	\$4,800.00
d	<i>Green Buttonwood</i>	EA	8	\$450.00	\$3,600.00
e	<i>Pigeon Plum</i>	EA	4	\$325.00	\$1300.00
f	<i>Pitch Apple</i>	EA	13	\$275.00	\$3,575.00
g	<i>Satinleaf</i>	EA	9	\$250.00	\$2,250.00
h	<i>Jamacain Dogwood</i>	EA	10	\$450.00	\$4,500.00
i	<i>Silver Buttonwood</i>	EA	3	\$300.00	\$900.00
j	<i>Spanish Stopper</i>	EA	8	\$125.00	\$1000.00
k	<i>Jamacain Caper</i>	EA	9	\$95.00	\$855.00
l	<i>Cabbage Palm</i>	EA	58	\$250.00	\$14,500.00
21	Shrub Installation				
a	<i>Horizontal Cocoplum</i>	EA	2,482	\$20.00	\$49,640.00
b	<i>Saw Palmetto</i>	EA	148	\$25.00	\$3,700.00
c	<i>Golden Creeper</i>	EA	1,298	\$6.00	\$7,788.00
d	<i>Dune Sunflower</i>	EA	870	\$5.00	\$4,350.00
c	<i>Coontie</i>	EA	914	\$14.00	\$12,796.00
f	<i>Tropical Sage</i>	EA	214	\$8.00	\$1,712.00
g	<i>Muhly Grass</i>	EA	1,602	\$8.00	\$12,816.00
h	<i>Spider Lily</i>	EA	1,586	\$9.00	\$14,274.00
i	<i>Sand Cordgrass</i>	EA	1,412	\$8.00	\$11,312.00
j	<i>Railroad Vine</i>	EA	0	\$8.00	\$0.00
k	<i>Sea Purslane</i>	EA	1,223	\$8.00	\$9,784.00
22	Purchase Additional Mulch (if required)	CY	1,500	\$15.00	\$22,500.00
23	Landscape Establishment	MO	3	\$4,200.00	\$12,600.00

TOTAL BASED BID (ITEMS 01 THRU 23) ~~\$-341,692.00~~

341,626

11,296

TOTAL BASE BID (WRITTEN)

Three hundred forty-one thousand six hundred and ninety-two

Dollars

ALTERNATE BID ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNITS	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
09A	Establish Contractor Designed Temporary Irrigation	LS	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
23A	Landscape Establishment using Temporary Irrigation	MO	3	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00

TOTAL ALTERNATE BID (ITEMS 01 THRU 08, 09A, 10 THRU 22, 23A) \$ ~~347,592.00~~ 347,526

TOTAL ALTERNATE BID (WRITTEN)

Three hundred forty-seven thousand five hundred and ninety-two

Dollars

AMOUNTS SHALL BE SHOWN IN BOTH WORDS AND NUMBERS. IN CASE OF DISCREPANCIES, THE AMOUNT SHOWN IN WORDS SHALL GOVERN FOR EACH BID ITEM AND TOTAL BID.



Signature of Bidder:

May 12, 2016

Date:

Notes:

- (1) Quantities are estimated. Actual quantities may vary.
- (1) All bids must be for the entire work and must have each blank space completed.

Bidder has to sign below that they have read and understood all addendums related to this project. Failure to acknowledge any addendum issued *may* disqualify the Bidder.

Addendum No.1	Date of Receipt: 4/26/16
Addendum No.2	Date of Receipt:
Addendum No.3	Date of Receipt:


NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

1	The District reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid, to reject any and all bids, and to delete any part of any of the above items.
2	Changes in the Contract Price and Contract Time require prior authorization in writing from the District and the Engineer, in the form of a Change Order. The Contractor is responsible for verification of all bid quantities and to report to the Engineer any discrepancies found prior to ordering materials and or equipment for construction.

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4	Quantities shown are estimated. Actual quantity may vary due to estimated excavation or fill.
4	Contractor shall meet requirements of all applicable permits and codes (in their current edition).
5	The District will award the bid to the lowest qualified bidder.

Ivan Vila

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VisualScape Inc.

Name of Contracting Company

May 12, 2016

Date:



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03	Environmental Protection and Erosion Control	LS	1	\$950.00	\$950.00
04	As-Built Survey	LS	1	\$3,895.00	\$3,895.00
05	Demobilization	LS	1	\$3,800.00	\$3,800.00
SECTION B: SITE PREPARATION					
LUMP SUM					
06	Grid Layout and Existing Feature Location	LS	1	\$890.00	\$890.00
07	Vine Removal, Additional Vegetation and Debris Removal	LS	1	\$2,210.00	\$2,210.00
08	Post-Emergent Herbicide Application	LS	1	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
09	Establish Water Supply/Temporary Irrigation Measures	LS	1	\$28,500.00	\$28,500.00
10	Earthwork and Grading	LS	1	\$8,860.00	\$8,860.00
UNIT COST					
11	Topsoil Placement for Fine Grading	CY	80	\$34.50	\$2,760.00
12	Fine Grading (includes Berm and Buffer Areas)	EA	10	\$1,100.00	\$11,000.00
13	Silt Fence Installation	LF	760	\$2.65	\$2,014.00
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15	Meadow Seeding	LS	1	\$14,568.00	\$14,568.00
16	Grassing (hydroseed application)	LS	1	\$8,245.00	\$8,245.00
17	Pine Needle Walking Path	LS	1	\$5,856.00	\$5,856.00
18	Stone Parking Lot (includes preparation, excavation, and rock installation)	LS	1	\$3,986.00	\$3,986.00

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19	Tree Relocation	EA	30	\$16.67	\$500.00
20	Tree Installation				
a	<i>Sea Grape</i>	EA	11	\$250.00	\$2,750.00
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TOTAL BASED BID (ITEMS 01 THRU 23) \$ 384,629.90

TOTAL BASE BID (WRITTEN)

Three hundred eighty-four thousand, six hundred twenty-nine

Dollars

ALTERNATE BID ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNITS	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
09A	Establish Contractor Designed Temporary Irrigation	LS	1	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
23A	Landscape Establishment using Temporary Irrigation	MO	3	\$2,350.00	\$7,050.00

TOTAL ALTERNATE BID (ITEMS 01 THRU 08, 09A, 10 THRU 22, 23A) ~~\$20,050.00~~ **\$369,129.⁰⁰**

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Twenty thousand, fifty Dollars

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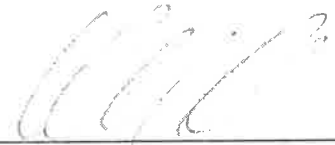
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Name of Bidder


Signature of Bidder

Superior Landscaping & Lawn Services
Name of Contracting Company

5/12/2016
Date: