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Annual Services Contract for Professional Environmental Services (B)

This item involves a request for the City Commission to authorize contract negotiations with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc., and Water and Air Research.

On September 12, 2005, the City's Purchasing Department solicited statements of qualifications for professional environmental services. Seven (7) firms submitted responses on October 11, 2005. Staff reviewed the submittals and invited the top four (4) responsive firms to present their qualifications on January 26, 2006. The final ranking of the top four is:

- 1st - Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.
- 2nd - Water and Air Research
- 3rd - Jones Edmunds & Associates, Inc.
- 4th - MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc.

Funding sources will be identified as needed through the operating budgets of individual departments or City capital project funds.

Recommended Motion: The City Commission: 1) accept the selection of the four (4) most qualified environmental firms in the order of ranking; 2) authorize the City Manager to initiate contract negotiations with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc., and Water and Air Research for professional environmental services in accordance with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA); and 3) upon successful contract negotiations, authorize the City Manager to execute the contracts and any related documents, including contract amendments and extensions.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission reject the recommended ranking and direct the City Manager to secure the services of individual environmental firms on a project-by-project basis in accordance with CCNA. This would result in project delays as individual qualification based selection processes would be required to meet State Statutes. This would also result in additional administrative costs for both projects and routine tasks.

Alternative Recommendation B: The City Commission reject the recommended ranking and direct the City Manager to initiate a new selection process in an attempt to attract more firms. This action would delay the implementation of an annual environmental services contract, incur administrative costs for repeating the process, would not increase the number of recommended local firms, and may not be successful in attracting additional firms. Most local firms have indicated they have full work loads projected for the next several months.

