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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

April 29, 2020

TO:

Anthony Cordo, Senior Vice President of Administration Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau

THRU:

Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director

Office of Economic and Small Business Development

FROM:

Maribel Feliciano, Assistant Director

Office of Economic and Small Business Development

SUBJECT:

No CBE Goal for Convention & Visitors Bureau Escalator Replacement

Project

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau is seeking a vendor to remove eight (8) existing escalators and associated machinery, manufacture new escalators to fit within existing structure, and install the new escalators and associated machinery using the existing truss. This Project is part of the Broward County Convention Center Expansion and Headquarter Hotel Project (the "BCCCH Project"). A review of the Small Business Certified Firm Directory revealed that there are no certified County Business Enterprise (CBE) that meet the requirements based on the scope of work and specifications presented by the project manager. Therefore, consistent with the Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012, as amended, Sec. 1-81.3 (1) (a), no CBE goal is applicable for this project. According to Sec. 1-81.10 (a) (1) of the Broward County Business Opportunity Act, as amended, if a responsive, responsible bid is received from a certified CBE firm that is within ten percent (10%) of the lowest bid received from a non-CBE firm, the CBE shall be offered the opportunity to match the lowest bid. For Request for Proposals (RFPs), if upon the completion of final rankings, a responsive and responsible CBE is within 5% of the highest ranked non-CBE proposer, the CBE shall be considered the highest-ranked proposer and shall have the opportunity to proceed to negotiations with the County.

This contract is subject to the Broward County Workforce Investment Program.

If you have any concerns regarding available subcontracting opportunities, please contact our office at (954) 357-6400.

cc: Alan J. Cohen, Assistant County Administrator
Oswaldo Casco, Small Business Development Supervisor, OESBD