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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date: July 23, 2019

To: Jim Scholl, City Manager

From: Ian McDowell, Assistant Engineer

Subject: Award approval for ITB #19-020 Bus Aprons – Lower Keys to Charley Toppino

& Sons, Inc.

Action Statement

Approve award of construction contract to Charley Toppino and Sons, Inc. (CTS) for invitation to bid (ITB) #19-020 *Bus Aprons – Lower Keys* in the amount of \$788,312.00. Authorize the City Manager to execute this agreement and any necessary budget transfers/amendments.

Background

In 2011, an FTA grant was identified by City staff which could fund the design and improvement of bus stops along the Lower Keys Shuttle route between the City of Key West and the City of Marathon. The 42 northbound stops and 43 southbound stops were assessed based on safety and usage to determine locations which most needed improvements. In 2015, the City of Key West Commission Resolution 15-008 approved a master agreement with SRS Engineering for design and construction engineering services of 20 bus aprons throughout the Lower Keys. Project plans, specifications, and cost estimates were provided by SRS Engineering in 2016. In 2017, the single bid for ITB #17-013, which included 16 bus aprons, was rejected because it exceeded the available project budget funding level. ITB #19-020, which reduced the total number of bus aprons to eight and introduced three aprons as bid alternates, received a single bid from CTS on July 10, 2019.

Purpose and Justification

In addition to the Lower Keys Shuttle service providing transportation to Lower Keys residents, improving travel safety, and reducing pollution, reducing the potential number of cars on the road reduces traffic congestion. Construction of bus aprons along the Lower Keys route provides dedicated areas for the shuttle to further reduce speed and make stops without impeding traffic. Additional improvements included in project TS1102 update some bus stops to improve usability, safety, and ADA requirements.

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This resolution supports Key West Strategic Plan infrastructure goal #1: A transportation system which is aesthetically attractive, functional, efficient, safe, and environmentally sensitive.

Financial

Project #TS1102 total construction cost of \$788,312.00 is funded from account 41144045446500. Federal Transit Administration grant E2010-BUSP-060, project grant #FL-04-0132-00, breaks down as follows:

Total grant funds: \$1,000,000 SRS Design services: \$211.688.00 Construction funds remaining: \$788,312.00

Project grant #FL-04-0132-00 has no City match requirements.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approving a contract award of \$788,312.00 to CTS for *Bus Aprons – Lower Keys* and authorizing the City Manager to execute this agreement and any necessary budget transfer/amendments.