



## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**Date:** April 7, 2022  
**To:** Patti McLauchlin, City Manager  
**From:** Steve Gardner, Project Manager  
**Cc:** Todd Stoughton, Assistant City Manager

**Subject:** Approve quote from Dowling Holdings to fabricate and deliver to the Richard A Heyman Environmental Pollution Control Facility (WWTP) four gangways with railing in the amount of \$153,467.00, authorizing a necessary budget transfer.

#### **Action Statement**

This Resolution would approve the quote from Dowling Holdings to fabricate and deliver to the Richard A Heyman Environmental Pollution Control Facility four gangways with railing as designed by Perez Engineering & Development, Inc., for \$153,467.00.

#### **Background**

The City of Key West (CITY) put out to bid a project that included the replacement of two ferric sulfate tanks and four aluminum access gangways and railing at the Richard A. Heyman Environmental Protection Facility (RAHEPF). The bids received all came in well over what the City budgeted. In turn, the City rejected those bids, divided the projects and has decided in the best interest of the City to direct purchase the items. With the gangway project, City staff reached out to six different fabricators to provide quotes for building and delivering to RAHEPF four access gangways with railing to replace the badly damaged ones. Three quotes were received. Dowling Holding was the low bid at \$153,467.00. Ratcliff Welding, Inc. quoted \$198,430.00 and Kubi Custom Metals quoted \$169,000.00.

MEMORANDUM

### **Purpose and Justification**

This project is a necessary issue for safety concerns as maintenance personnel need to access these certain points of the aeration basin. It also falls within the City's strategic plan for Environmental Protection, Priority 4; Goal 3; Action 6; Upgrade & Maintain systems as per DEP compliance program, as it relates to the Richard A. Heyman Environmental Pollution Control Facility and proper maintenance of that facility. Dowling Holdings of Florida has done previous work to the City's pump stations in the past and is currently fabricating the railing and decking system at the Dennis Street Stormwater pump station. Their work is impeccable.

### **Financial**

Following a budget transfer of \$113,000 from reserve account 401-3501-5359803 to account 401-3504-5356500, and the balance of \$41,693 left over from the Ferric Tank project; the fund balance of \$154,693 will be available. Staff has reviewed the estimate of \$153,467.00 and believes that it is a reasonable cost for the fabrication and delivery of the requested items.

### **Recommendation**

Approve the low quote from Dowling Holdings to fabricate the replacement gangways and railing for the aeration basin at the RAHEPF (WWTP) in the amount of \$153,467.00.