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December 19, 2011

Mr. Jay Gewin  
Utilities Manager  
City of Key West  
3140 Flagler Avenue  
Key West, FL 33040

Re: Contractor Recommendation  
George Street Stormwater Basin Improvements

Dear Mr. Gewin:

Six (6) bids were received for the subject contract on November 29, 2011 and are summarized in the attached Bid Results Summary table. All six (6) bids included a signed proposal and all the required forms.

The apparent low bidder, Wharton Smith, Inc. has recent construction experience working on similar projects in the Florida Keys, and has also worked on similar projects throughout Florida with good references. Additionally, Wharton Smith Inc. has successfully at least three construction projects for the City of Key West in the past 5 years.

We therefore recommend that the City award the George Street Stormwater Basin Improvements contract to **Wharton Smith, Inc.**, in the amount of **\$3,242,000.00**. This bid is lower than the engineer's estimate.

Please call me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Andrew H. Smyth".

Andrew H. Smyth, P.E.

cc: David Fernandez/City Key West  
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**Table 1**  
 Bid Results Summary

<b>BIDDER</b>	<b>Total Extended Unit Prices</b>	<b>Contingency Allowance</b>	<b>Permitting allowance</b>	<b>KES Allowance</b>	<b>TOTAL BASE BID</b>
Wharton Smith	\$2,947,000	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$3,242,000
DN Higgins	\$3,198,000	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$3,493,000
Charley Toppino & Sons	\$3,650,821	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$3,945,821
Lanzo Construction	\$3,366,147	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$3,661,147
Metro Equipment	\$4,138,875	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$4,433,875
Giannetti Contractors	\$3,943,242	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$4,238,242
<i>Engineers Estimate</i>	<i>\$3,072,982</i>	<i>\$200,000</i>	<i>\$50,000</i>	<i>\$45,000</i>	<i>\$3,367,982</i>