



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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DATE: 19 September 2011

SUBJECT: **City Commission Ranking of shortlisted firms for RFP 011-11:
Climate Action Plan: Marketing and Advertisement Program**

ACTION STATEMENT:

The City Commission will listen to presentations (of no more than 15 minutes each) and rank the top 3 three firms to perform the work identified under RFP #011-11, Climate Action Plan: Marketing and Advertisement. Upon selection of the top ranked firm, City Manager will then be authorized to negotiate the deliverables and execute a contract with the top ranked firm selected by the City Commission.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Key West is enacting the goals and objectives outlined in the Climate Action Plan (CAP) dated 1 October 2009. This plan outlines the development of a marketing and advertisement program to develop a city wide message, develop a launching program and a website for this message. A portion of this plan is listed as Attachment 1. The full plan can be accessed at

http://www.keywestcity.com/egov/docs/1255030735_6378.pdf

Future year's development and expansion of this message will be performed by a "Green /sustainability coordinator" currently in the next year's budget.

PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:

The City received four responses on 20 July, 2001 to RFP#01-11. Of the four firms that responded to this RFP, two had minor bid irregularities. These irregularities were

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corrected by the firms and staff determined that it is in the best interest of the City to evaluate all bids as these irregularities did not give any proposer a competitive advantage over other proposers. Specifically the irregularities were the omission of a second hard copy and the omission of the “anti-kickback and public entities crimes forms”.

The Ranking Committee met on Friday, 5 August in a publicly held meeting to review the proposals received by the city in response to RFP #01-11. The results of this ranking are attachment (1) and are as follows

Firm #1: Progressive Strategy Group

Firm #2: The Cunningham Group

Firm #3: The Tree Institute.

OPTIONS:

1. After hearing presentations, the City Commission can concur with the Ranking Committee’s recommendation and the City will negotiate the deliverables and execute a contract with Firm #1 within the NTE price in their proposal
2. After hearing presentations, the City Commission can re-rank the firms and the City will negotiate the deliverables execute a contract with the newly ranked Firm #1 within the NTE price in their proposal.
3. The City Commission can reject all proposals. Staff would then either re-issue the RFP or cancel this project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This project will be funded through budget line item 001-1906-519-3400.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Staff recommends that the commission review presentation and rank or accept the shortlisted firms as submitted by the Ranking Committee.