



## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Jim Scholl, City Manager  
**Cc:** Greg Veliz, Asst. City Manager  
**FROM:** John Paul Castro, Utilities Director  
**DATE:** May 9th, 2019

**SUBJECT: Ratifying the City Managers Emergency Procurement for Repairs at the Fleming Key Utility Bridge**

**Action statement:**

This resolution would ratify the City Managers emergency procurement signed on April 30th to approve a proposal from Ebsary Foundation Company to stabilize the influent force mains, water, and electric to the WWTP in the amount of \$351,755.00. The emergency declaration was signed pursuant to code of ordinances section 2-797 (2) emergency procurement.

**Purpose and Justification:**

On April 22<sup>nd</sup> a barge navigating Fleming Key Cut lost control and collided with the City's utility bridge which supports the City's two influent force mains as well as the treatment plants electric and water.

The impact compromised one of the two pilings and slightly cracked the other. The City engaged Artibus Design, a local structural engineering firm, and started to design a repair the morning of April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Ebsary Foundation Company has worked for the City and Navy on multiple projects and is currently mobilized at Fleming Key.

The City requested a proposal from Ebsary who would be the quickest to respond to the emergency.

The emergency declaration was issued pursuant to code of ordinances 2-797 (2) emergency procurement where the City Manager may make emergency procurements of commodities or contractual services where the cost exceeds \$20,000.00 when there exists a clear and present threat to public health, property, welfare, safety or other substantial loss to the City.

*Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.*

The proposal from Ebsary included procuring steel beams, shoring the utilities, and demolishing the damaged bridge section.

**Financial Impact:**

Funds for the project will be paid out of fund 401-3504-535-4600, Sewer/WWTP/Repairs and Maintenance. The City is attempting to subrogate cost from the party at fault.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends ratifying the City Managers emergency procurement for the stabilization of the Fleming Key bridge utilities and demolition of the damaged pilings and bent cap by Ebsary Foundation Company in the amount of \$351,755.00