

### **BID FORM**

To: City of Key West, Florida  
Address: 1300 White Street, Key West, Florida 33040  
Project Title: STAPLES AVENUE BRIDGE  
Project No.: ITB # 23-015

Bidder's person to contact for additional information on this Bid:

Company Name: AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

Contact Name & Telephone #: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ / 305-261-9276

Email Address: TGONZALEZ@AEB-US.COM

### **BIDDER'S DECLARATION AND UNDERSTANDING**

The undersigned, hereinafter called the Bidder, declares that the only persons or parties interested in this Bid are those named herein, that this Bid is, in all respects, fair and without fraud, that it is made without collusion with any official of the Owner, and that the Bid is made without any connection or collusion with any person submitting another Bid on this Contract.

The Bidder further declares that he/she has carefully examined the Contract Documents, that he/she has personally inspected the Project, that he/she has satisfied himself/herself as to the quantities involved, including materials and equipment, and conditions of work involved, including the fact that the description of the quantities of work and materials, as included herein, is brief and is intended only to indicate the general nature of the work and to identify the said quantities with the detailed requirements of the Contract Documents, and that this Bid is made according to the provisions and under the terms of the Contract Documents, which Documents are hereby made a part of this Proposal.

The Bidder further agrees that the Owner may "non-perform" the work in the event that the low bid is in excess of available funding. Non-performance will be determined prior to Notice of Award.

The intent of the Bid Documents is to describe a functionally complete project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents. Any work, materials, or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents, as being required to produce the intended result shall be supplied, whether or not specifically called for in the Contract Documents.

### **CONTRACT EXECUTION AND BONDS**

The Bidder agrees that if this Bid is accepted, he/she will, within 10 days after Notice of Award, sign and deliver the Contract in the form annexed hereto, and will also at that time, deliver to the City the Performance Bond and Payment Bond required herein, and evidence of holding required licenses and certificates, and will, to the extent of his/her Bid, furnish all machinery, tool, apparatus, and other means of construction and do the work and furnish all the materials necessary to complete all work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents.

#### CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Bidder agrees to furnish the City, before commencing the work under this Contract, the certificates of insurance as specified in these Documents.

#### START OF CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACT COMPLETION TIME

The Bidder agrees to begin work upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed and to fully complete all work under this contract within One Hundred & Twenty (120) calendar days.

This Contract will automatically expire and be terminated on final acceptance by the Owner.

#### LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

In the event the Bidder is awarded the Contract and fails to complete the work within the time limit or extended time limit agreed upon, as more particularly set forth in the Contract Documents, liquidated damages shall be paid to the Owner at the rate of **\$250.00** per day for all work awarded until the work has been satisfactorily completed as provided by the Contract Documents. Sundays and legal holidays shall be excluded in determining days in default.

Owner will recover such liquidated damages by deducting the amount owed from the final payment or any retainage held by Owner.

#### ADDENDA

The Bidder hereby acknowledges that he/she has received Addenda No's. 1, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_. (Bidder shall insert No. of each Addendum received) and agrees that all addenda issued are hereby made part of the Contract Documents, and the Bidder further agrees that his/her Bid(s) includes all impacts resulting from said addenda.

#### SALES AND USE TAXES

The Bidder agrees that all federal, state, and local sales and use taxes are included in the stated bid prices for the work.

#### LUMP SUM WORK ITEMS

The Proposal for the work is to be submitted on lump sum basis. All items required to complete the work specified but not included in the Proposal shall be considered incidental to those set forth in the Proposal. Payment to the Contractor will be made on work actually performed by the Contractor, as specified in the Contract Documents.

The Bidder further proposes to accept as full payment for the Work proposed herein, the amounts computed under the provisions of the Contract Documents and based on the following individual lump sum amounts. The Bidder agrees that the lump sum pricing include all allowances for overhead and profit for each type and unit of work called for in these Contract Documents.

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## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

1300 White Street Key West, FL 33040 (305) 809-3572

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### ADDENDUM NO. 1

#### STAPLES AVENUE BRIDGE – ITB 23-015

June 23, 2023

This addendum is issued as supplemental information to the bid package for clarification of certain matters of both a general and a technical nature. The referenced Invitation to Bid (ITB) package is hereby amended in accordance with the following items:

#### Questions presented via email:

**1. Could you please provide the engineer's estimate for this project?**

- There is not an engineer's estimate for this project. The capital improvement plan suggests \$360,000.00 has been budgeted for the project.

All Bidders shall acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this Addendum No. 1 with Attachment by submitting the addendum with their proposal. Proposals submitted without acknowledgement or without this Addendum may be considered non-responsive.

  
Signature

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

Name of Business

**BID PROPSAL FORM**  
**STAPLES AVENUE BRIDGE**  
**ITB 23-015**

**LUMP SUM BID AND SCHEDULE OF VALUES**

Bid prices stated in this proposal include all costs and expenses for labor, equipment, materials, disposal and contractor's overhead and profit. Prices for the various work line items are intended to establish a total price for completing the project in its entirety. All work and incidental costs shall be included for payment under the several scheduled items of the overall contract, and no separate payment will be made therefore.

**The Bidder shall submit a Schedule of Values with the Bid. It shall be broken down by trade and type of work and it shall be used as a basis for payment. The Bidder will be considered non-responsive if Schedule of Values is not included in the Bid package.**

1. Mobilization, General/Supp. Conditions, Demobilization	1 LS	\$ 63,500.00
2. Bridge and Foundation	1 LS	\$ 232,074.38
3. Site Work, Ramps, and Landscaping	1 LS	\$ 344,425.62

**TOTAL OF ALL LINE ITEMS (1-3):**

Total of lump sum items \$ 640,000.00  
(numeric)

SIX HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS Dollars  
(amount written in words)

& ZERO CENTS Cents

**NOTE: THE TOTAL BID WILL BE THE BASIS OF EVALUATING LOW BIDDER AND BASIS OF AWARD**

CONTRACTOR'S PROJECTED OPERATIONS LOAD AND COST ESTIMATE

List items to be performed by Contractor's own forces and the estimated total cost of these items.  
(Use additional sheets if necessary.)

(SEE ATTACHED BID SCHEDULE)




## CONTRACTOR'S PROJECTED OPERATIONS LOAD AND COST ESTIMATE

Mobilization, General /Supp. Conditions, Demobilization	63,500.00
Landscape transplanting and root barriers	18,000.00
Demolition and removal	51,000.00
New Bridge - F&I Foundations, Substructure, Aluminum bridge	181,074.38
F&I Site Work, Ramps, Aluminum Railing	319,795.62
Type D Curb -102 LF	6,630.00
	\$640,000.00

## SUBCONTRACTORS

The Bidder further proposes that the following subcontracting firms or businesses will be awarded subcontracts for the following portions of the work in the event that the Bidder is awarded the Contract:

N/A

\_\_\_\_\_  
Portion of Work

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

N/A

\_\_\_\_\_  
Portion of Work

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

N/A

\_\_\_\_\_  
Portion of Work

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

N/A

\_\_\_\_\_  
Portion of Work

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

SURETY

DEVELOPERS SURETY AND IDEMNITY COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_ whose address is  
800 SUPERIOR AVENUE E., 21ST FLOOR, CLEVELAND, OH, 44114  
Street City State Zip  
305-517-3798 WARREN M. ALTER  
Phone Resident Agent

BIDDER

The name of the Bidder submitting this Bid is ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ, PRESIDENT

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC. doing business  
at

13775 SW 145TH CT, STE B, MIAMI, FL, 33186  
Street City State Zip

TGONZALEZ@AEB-US.COM  
email address

which is the address to which all communications concerned with this Bid and with the Contract shall be sent.

The names of the principal officers of the corporation submitting this Bid, or of the partnership, or of all persons interested in this Bid as principals are as follows:

Name	Title
<u>ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



If Sole Proprietor or Partnership

IN WITNESS hereto the undersigned has set his/her (its) hand this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

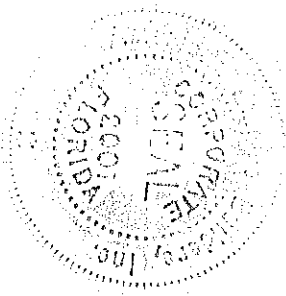
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Bidder

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

If Corporation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned corporation has caused this instrument to be executed and its seal affixed by its duly authorized officers this 1ST day of JULY 2023.

(SEAL)



AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

Name of Corporation

By ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ

Title PRESIDENT

Attest  
Secretary

Jose L. Rio

## EXPERIENCE OF BIDDER

The Bidder states that he/she is an experienced Contractor and has completed similar projects within the last five (5) years.

(List similar projects, with types, names of owners, construction costs, Engineers, and references with phone numbers. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

(SEE ATTACHED)

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**AEB**

American Empire Builders, Inc.

# EXPERIENCE

Project (similar type) Description:

Single span bridge over a canal to access the  
Quarry Housing facility located in Rockland Key

Owner of Project-Contact Information:

Quarry Partner GP, LLC

Name

3030 Hartley Road, STE 310 Jacksonville, FL 32257

Address

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Design Professional/Engineer-Contact Information:

PQH Group Design, Inc.

Name

4141 Southpoint Drive East, STE 200 Jacksonville, FL

Address

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Project Award Amount: \$544,000.00

Final Project Total Amount: \$609,955.00

Scheduled Completion Date: Aug-19

Actual Completion Date: Jul-19

Project (similar type) Description:

Westwind and Crosswind Replacement Bridge

Replacement of 2 single span bridge with foundation  
work, concrete and roadway associated utilities

Owner of Project-Contact Information:

Pinellas County

Name

400 S. FT Harrison Ave 6t Floor Clearwater, FL 33756

Address

(727) 464-3150

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Design Professional/Engineer-Contact Information:

Pinellas County Engineering & Technical Support Division

Name

14 S. Ft Harrison Ave Clearwater, FL 33756

Address

(727) 464-3311

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Project Award Amount: \$4,436,138.50

Final Project Total Amount:

Scheduled Completion Date: Jul-20

Actual Completion Date: Aug-22

Project (similar type) Description:

Pigeon Key Ramp Rehabilitation Project, built  
access ramp from the old 7 mile bridge to Pigeon  
Key.

Owner of Project-Contact Information:

Monroe County Board of County Commissioners

Name

1100 Simonton Street Key West, Florida 33040

Address

305-289-2500

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Design Professional/Engineer-Contact Information:

Metric Engineering, Inc.

Name

13940 SW 136th Street Miami, FL 33186

Address

305-235-5098

Telephone Number and Email Address:

Project Award Amount: \$1,960,000.00

Final Project Total Amount: \$2,381,979.51

Scheduled Completion Date: Feb-19

Actual Completion Date: Jan-20

**FLORIDA BID BOND**

BOND NO. N/A

AMOUNT: \$ 5% of Amount Bid

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that American Empire Builders, Inc.

hereinafter called the PRINCIPAL, and Developers Surety and Indemnity Company

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of California

having its principal place of business at 800 Superior Avenue E., 21st Floor,

Cleveland, OH 44114 in the State of Ohio,

and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, as SURETY, are held and firmly bound unto

City of Key West

hereinafter CITY OF KEY WEST called the OBLIGEE, in the sum of Five Percent of Amount Bid  
DOLLARS (\$ 5% of Amount Bid ) for

the payment for which we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these present.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS SUCH THAT:

WHEREAS, the PRINCIPAL is herewith submitting his/her or its Bid Proposal for **ITB #23-015 STAPLES AVENUE BRIDGE**, said Bid Proposal, by reference thereto, being hereby made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, the PRINCIPAL contemplates submitting or has submitted a bid to the OBLIGEE for the furnishing of all labor, materials (except those to be specifically furnished by the CITY), equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation for, and the performance of the work covered in the Proposal and the detailed Scope of Work, entitled:

**ITB #23-015**  
**STAPLES AVENUE BRIDGE**

WHEREAS, it was a condition precedent to the submission of said bid that a cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the base bid be submitted with said bid as a guarantee that the Bidder would, if awarded the Contract, enter into a written Contract with the CITY for the performance of said Contract, within 10 working days after written notice having been given of the award of the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are such that if the PRINCIPAL within 10 consecutive calendar days after written notice of such acceptance, enters into a written Contract with the OBLIGEE and furnishes the Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100 percent of the base bid, satisfactory to the CITY, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise the sum herein stated shall be due and payable to the OBLIGEE and the Surety herein agrees to pay said sum immediately upon demand of the OBLIGEE in good and lawful money of the United States of America, as liquidated damages for failure thereof of said PRINCIPAL.

Signed and sealed this 3rd day of July, 2023.

American Empire Builders, Inc.

By [Signature]  
PRINCIPAL

Developers Surety and Indemnity Company

SURETY

By [Signature]  
Attorney-In-Fact Warren M. Alter





**POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR  
COREPOINTE INSURANCE COMPANY  
DEVELOPERS SURETY AND INDEMNITY COMPANY**  
59 Maiden Lane, New York, NY 10038  
(212) 220-7120

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS that, except as expressly limited herein, COREPOINTE INSURANCE COMPANY and DEVELOPERS SURETY AND INDEMNITY COMPANY, do hereby make, constitute and appoint:

**Warren M. Alter and David Satine of Miami Lakes, FL**

as its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, jointly and severally, to make, execute, deliver and acknowledge, for and on behalf of said companies, as sureties, bonds, undertakings and contracts of suretyship giving and granting unto said Attorney(s)-in-Fact full power and authority to do and to perform every act necessary, requisite or proper to be done in connection therewith as each of said company could do, but reserving to each of said company full power of substitution and revocation, and all of the acts of said Attorney(s)-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are hereby ratified and confirmed. This Power of Attorney is effective December 31, 2022 and shall expire on December 31, 2023.

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed under and by authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of COREPOINTE INSURANCE COMPANY and DEVELOPERS SURETY AND INDEMNITY COMPANY (collectively, "Company"), effective as of September 1, 2022.

RESOLVED, that Charles Cygal, Principal and Chief Underwriting Officer, an officer of Euclid Surety LLC (the "Euclid Officer"), is hereby authorized to execute a Power of Attorney, qualifying the attorney(s)-in-fact named in this Power of Attorney to execute, on behalf of the Company, bonds, undertakings and contracts of suretyship, or other suretyship obligations; and that the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Company be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to attest the execution of any such Power of Attorney.

RESOLVED, that the signature of the Euclid Officer and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Company, and the seal of the Company must be affixed to any such Power of Attorney, and any such signature or seal may be affixed by facsimile, and such Power of Attorney shall be valid and binding upon the Company when so affixed and in the future with respect to any bond, undertaking or contract of suretyship to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, COREPOINTE INSURANCE COMPANY and DEVELOPERS SURETY AND INDEMNITY COMPANY have caused these presents to be signed by the Euclid Officer and attested by their Secretary or Assistant Secretary this November 17, 2022.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Charles Cygal, Principal and  
Chief Underwriting Officer  
Euclid Surety LLC



STATE OF IL

COUNTY OF Kane

On this 22 day of November, 2022, before me, Mary E Pettey, personally appeared CHARLES CYGAL, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to within the instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity, and that by the signature on the instrument the entities upon behalf which the person acted, executed this instrument.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of IL that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mary E Pettey



**CORPORATE CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of COREPOINTE INSURANCE COMPANY and DEVELOPERS SURETY AND INDEMNITY COMPANY, does hereby certify that the provisions of the resolutions of the respective Boards of Directors of said corporations set forth in this Power of Attorney are in force as of the date of this Certification.

This Certification is executed in the City of Cleveland, Ohio, this December 29, 2022 | 9:35 AM PST

By: \_\_\_\_\_

DocuSigned by:

Barry W. Moses

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Barry W. Moses, Assistant Secretary

POA No. 6.2

Signed and Sealed this 3rd day of July, 2023

Ed. 1122

**ANTI-KICKBACK AFFIDAVIT**

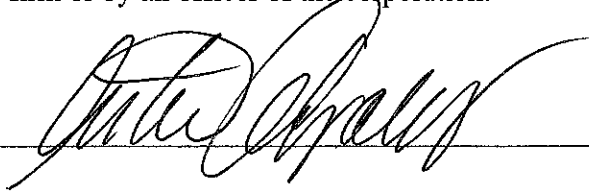
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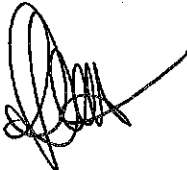
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

I, the undersigned hereby duly sworn, depose and say that no portion of the sum herein bid will be paid to any employees of the City of Key West as a commission, kickback, reward or gift, directly or indirectly by me or any member of my firm or by an officer of the corporation.

By: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ



Sworn and subscribed before me this 1ST day of JULY 2023.



NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:



GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385577  
Expires April 25, 2027

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**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 287.133(3)(A)  
FLORIDA STATUTES, ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

*THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.*

1. This sworn statement is submitted with Bid or Proposal for \_\_\_\_\_  
AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

2. This sworn statement is submitted by ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ  
(name of entity submitting sworn statement)

whose business address is 13775 SW 145TH CT., STE. B  
MIAMI, FL 33186

and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is 75-2993152

(If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual

signing this sworn statement \_\_\_\_\_

3. My name is ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ  
(please print name of individual signing)

and my relationship to the entity named above is PRESIDENT

4. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including but not limited to, any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, material misrepresentation.

5. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

6. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means

1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or
2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

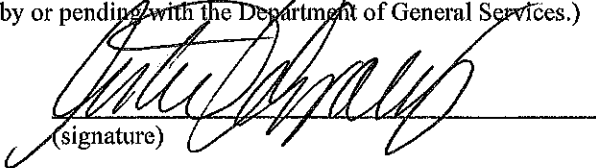
7. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(8), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.
8. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies).

N/A Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989, AND (Please indicate which additional statement applies.)

N/A There has been a proceeding concerning the conviction before a hearing of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer did not place the person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order.)

N/A The person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list. There has been a subsequent proceeding before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer determined that it was in the public interest to remove the person or affiliate from the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order.)

N/A The person or affiliate has not been put on the convicted vendor list. (Please describe any action taken by or pending with the Department of General Services.)

  
(signature)

07/01/2023

(date)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority,

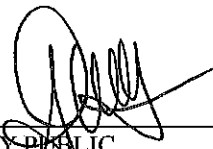
ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ who, after first being sworn by me, affixed his/her  
(name of individual signing)

signature in the space provided above on this 1ST day of JULY, 2023.

My commission expires:



GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385577  
Expires April 25, 2027

  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## CITY OF KEY WEST INDEMNIFICATION FORM

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the CONTRACTOR expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Key West, their officers, directors, agents and employees \*(herein called the "indemnitees") from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs, such legal expenses to include costs incurred in establishing the indemnification and other rights agreed to in this Paragraph, to persons or property, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the CONTRACTOR, its Subcontractors or persons employed or utilized by them in the performance of the Contract. Claims by indemnitees for indemnification shall be limited to the amount of CONTRACTOR's insurance or \$1 million per occurrence, whichever is greater. The parties acknowledge that the amount of the indemnity required hereunder bears a reasonable commercial relationship to the Contract and it is part of the project specifications or the bid documents, if any.

The indemnification obligations under the Contract shall not be restricted in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONTRACTOR under Workers' Compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefits acts, and shall extend to and include any actions brought by or in the name of any employee of the CONTRACTOR or of any third party to whom CONTRACTOR may subcontract a part or all of the Work. This indemnification shall continue beyond the date of completion of the work.

CONTRACTOR: 13775 SW 145TH CT., CTE B. MIAMI, FL 33186 SEAL:

Address

Signature

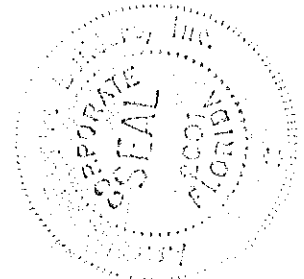
ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ

Print Name

PRESIDENT

Title

DATE: 07/01/2023



**EQUAL BENEFITS FOR DOMESTIC PARTNERS AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF FLORIDA )

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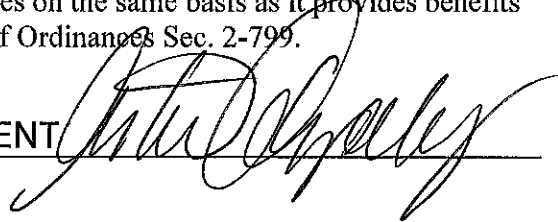
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

I, the undersigned hereby duly sworn, depose and say that the firm of \_\_\_\_\_

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

provides benefits to domestic partners of its employees on the same basis as it provides benefits to employees' spouses, per City of Key West Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-799.

By: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ-PRESIDENT



Sworn and subscribed before me this 1ST day of JULY 2023.

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large



My Commission Expires:



GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385577  
Expires April 25, 2027

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**CONE OF SILENCE AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF FLORIDA )

: SS

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE )

I, the undersigned hereby duly sworn, depose and say that all owner(s), partners, officers, directors, employees and agents representing the firm of AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC. have read and understand the limitations and procedures regarding communications concerning City of Key West Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-773 Cone of Silence.

By: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ-PRESIDENT



Sworn and subscribed before me this

1ST day of JULY 2023.



NOTARY PUBLIC, State of FLORIDA at Large



GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385677  
Expires April 25, 2027

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

# NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

[illegible]

I, the undersigned hereby declares that the only persons or parties interested in this Proposal are those named herein, that this Proposal is, in all respects, fair and without fraud, that it is made without collusion with any official of the Owner, and that the Proposal is made without any connection or collusion with any person submitting another Proposal on this Contract.

By: Antonio M. Gonzalez  
ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ-PRESIDENT

Sworn and subscribed before me this

1ST day of JULY, 2023.

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large  
GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385577  
My Commission Expires: Expires April 25, 2027



**LOCAL VENDOR CERTIFICATION**  
**PURSUANT TO CITY OF KEY WEST CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 2-798**

The undersigned, as a duly authorized representative of the vendor listed herein, certifies to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, that the vendor meets the definition of a "Local Business." For purposes of this section, "local business" shall mean a business which:

- a. Principle address as registered with the FL Department of State located within 30 miles of the boundaries of the city, listed with the chief licensing official as having a business tax receipt with its principle address within 30 miles of the boundaries of the city for at least one year immediately prior to the issuance of the solicitation.
  - b. Maintains a workforce of at least 50 percent of its employees from the city or within 30 miles of its boundaries.
  - c. Having paid all current license taxes and any other fees due the city at least 24 hours prior to the publication of the call for bids or request for proposals.
- Not a local vendor pursuant to Code of Ordinances Section 2-798
  - Qualifies as a local vendor pursuant to Code of Ordinances Section 2-798

If you qualify, please complete the following in support of the self-certification & submit copies of your County and City business licenses. Failure to provide the information requested will result in denial of certification as a local business.

Business Name **AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.** Phone: **305-261-9276**

**13775 SW 145TH CT., STE B**

Current Local Address: **MIAMI, FL 33186**  
(P.O. Box numbers may not be used to establish status)

Fax:

Length of time at this address

Signature of Authorized Representative

07/01/2023

Date

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 1ST day of JULY, 2023.

By ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ, of AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.

(Name of officer or agent, title of officer or agent) Name of corporation acknowledging)

or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification

(type of identification)

Signature of Notary

GINETTE GARCIA Print, Type or Stamp Name of Notary

Return Completed form with  
Supporting documents to:



GINETTE GARCIA  
Commission # HH 385577  
Expires April 25, 2027

City of Key West Purchasing

Title or Rank

**VENDOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING  
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS**

Respondent Vendor Name: AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC.  
Vendor FEIN: 75-2993152  
Vendor's Authorized Representative Name and Title: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ-PRESIDENT  
Address: 13775 SW 145TH CT., STE B  
City: MIAMI State: FLORIDA Zip: 33186  
Phone Number: 305-261-9276  
Email Address: TGONZALEZ@AEB-US.COM

Section 287.135(2)(a), Florida Statutes, prohibits a company from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing a contract for goods or services of any amount if, at the time of contracting or renewal, the company is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to section 215.4725, Florida Statutes, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel. Section 287.135(2)(b), Florida Statutes, further prohibits a company from bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing a contract for goods or services over one million dollars (\$1,000,000) if, at the time of contracting or renewal, the company is on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, both created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes, or the company is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

As the person authorized to sign on behalf of Respondent, I hereby certify that the company identified above in the section entitled "Respondent Vendor Name" is not listed on either the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List I understand that pursuant to section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject such company to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs and termination of the contract at the option of the awarding governmental entity.

Certified By: ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ PRESIDENT  
Print Name Print Title

who is authorized to sign on behalf of the above referenced company.

Authorized Signature: 



Ron DeSantis, Governor

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary



**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION**

**CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD**

THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR HEREIN IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE  
PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 489, FLORIDA STATUTES

**GONZALEZ, ANTONIO MARIO**

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS INC  
13775 SW 145TH CT  
SUITE B  
MIAMI FL 33186

**LICENSE NUMBER: CGC1504911**

**EXPIRATION DATE: AUGUST 31, 2024**

Always verify licenses online at [MyFloridaLicense.com](https://MyFloridaLicense.com)

Do not alter this document in any form.

This is your license. It is unlawful for anyone other than the licensee to use this document.



# Local Business Tax Receipt

Miami-Dade County, State of Florida

-THIS IS NOT A BILL - DO NOT PAY



5045521

RECEIPT NO.

RENEWAL

5269311

**BUSINESS NAME/LOCATION**

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS

INC

13775 SW 145TH CT STE B

MIAMI, FL 33186



**EXPIRES**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Must be displayed at place of business

Pursuant to County Code

Chapter 8A - Art. 9 & 10

**OWNER**

AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS INC

C/O ANTONIO M GONZALEZ

QUAI IFIR

Worker(s)

2

**SEC. TYPE OF BUSINESS**

196

GENERAL BUILDING

CONTRACTOR

CGC1504911

**PAYMENT RECEIVED**

**BY TAX COLLECTOR**

75.00 09/12/2022

INT-22-411294

This Local Business Tax Receipt only confirms payment of the Local Business Tax. The Receipt is not a license, permit, or a certification of the holder's qualifications, to do business. Holder must comply with any governmental or nongovernmental regulatory laws and requirements which apply to the business.

The RECEIPT NO. above must be displayed on all commercial vehicles - Miami-Dade Code Sec 8a-276.

For more information, visit [www.miamidade.gov/taxcollector](http://www.miamidade.gov/taxcollector)



## Analisa Arriaga

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**From:** Joseph Madrid <jmadrid@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 10, 2019 3:40 PM  
**To:** Analisa Arriaga  
**Subject:** RE: Contractor Registration Application - Key West

Analisa,

American Empire Builders, Inc. is now registered with the City of Key West, Registration#: AEC35229.

In order to keep your registration active, we request that you send updated insurance forms as they become available to you.

Thank you,

*Joseph Madrid*  
Licensing Administrator



Licensing | 1300 White Street | Key West, Florida 33040  
Direct: 305.809.3959  
eMail: [jmadrid@cityofkeywest.fl.gov](mailto:jmadrid@cityofkeywest.fl.gov)

**Under Florida law, e-mail addresses are public records. If you do not want your e-mail address released in response to a public records request, do not send electronic mail to this entity. Instead, contact this office by phone or in writing. F.S. 668.6076.**

**From:** Analisa Arriaga <aarriaga@americanempirebuilders.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 10, 2019 3:01 PM  
**To:** Licensing <licensing@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>  
**Cc:** Gigi Gonzalez <ggonzalez@americanempirebuilders.com>; Martin Hoegg <mhoegg@americanempirebuilders.com>; Tony Gonzalez <tgonzalez@americanempirebuilders.com>; Rigoberto Tirado <rtirado@americanempirebuilders.com>  
**Subject:** Contractor Registration Application - Key West

Good Afternoon,

Please see attached application with required documents. Let me know if there is anything further needed to register within your city. Also, once registered, please send me confirmation when you have a chance.

Thank you in advance for your time.

**2022 / 2023**  
**MONROE COUNTY BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT**  
**EXPIRES SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

Business Name: AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS INC

RECEIPT# 30140-127039

Owner Name: ANTONIO M GONZALEZ  
Mailing Address: 13775 SW 145TH CT  
MIAMI, FL 33186

Business Location: MO CTY  
KEY WEST, FL 33040  
Business Phone: 305-261-9276  
Business Type: CONTRACTOR (CERTIFIED GENERAL )

Employees 12

STATE LICENSE: CGC1504911

Tax Amount	Transfer Fee	Sub-Total	Penalty	Prior Years	Collection Cost	Total Paid
35.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00

Paid 000-21-00045874 09/12/2022 35.00

THIS BECOMES A TAX RECEIPT  
WHEN VALIDATED

**Sam C. Steele, CFC, Tax Collector**  
**PO Box 1129, Key West, FL 33041**

THIS IS ONLY A TAX.  
YOU MUST MEET ALL  
COUNTY AND/OR  
MUNICIPALITY  
PLANNING, ZONING AND  
LICENSING  
REQUIREMENTS.

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# *State of Florida*

## *Department of State*

I certify from the records of this office that AMERICAN EMPIRE BUILDERS, INC. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on October 16, 2001.


The document number of this corporation is P01000100485.

I further certify that said corporation has paid all fees due this office through December 31, 2023, that its most recent annual report/uniform business report was filed on April 26, 2023, and that its status is active.

I further certify that said corporation has not filed Articles of Dissolution.

*Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this  
the Twenty-sixth day of April,  
2023*



  
Secretary of State

Tracking Number: 7972515120CC

To authenticate this certificate, visit the following site, enter this number, and then follow the instructions displayed.

<https://services.sunbiz.org/Filings/CertificateOfStatus/CertificateAuthentication>

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## CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

12/14/2022

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer any rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER <b>Marsh &amp; McLennan Agency</b> <b>Bouchard Region</b> <b>101 N. Starcrest Drive</b> <b>Clearwater, FL 33765</b>	CONTACT NAME: <b>Certificate Specialists</b>	
	PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): <b>727 447-6481</b>	FAX (A/C, No):
	E-MAIL ADDRESS: <b>certificates@bouchardinsurance.com</b>	
INSURED <b>American Empire Builders, Inc.</b> <b>13775 SW 145th CT</b> <b>Suite B</b> <b>Miami, FL 33186</b>	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
	INSURER A: <b>Landmark American Insurance Company</b>	NAIC # <b>33138</b>
	INSURER B: <b>StarStone Specialty Insurance Company</b>	<b>44776</b>
	INSURER C: <b>StarNet Insurance Company</b>	<b>40045</b>
	INSURER D: <b>Allied World Assurance Company (U.S.) I</b>	<b>19489</b>
	INSURER E: <b>Vantapro Specialty Insurance Company</b>	<b>44768</b>
	INSURER F: <b>Charter Oak Fire Insurance Co</b>	<b>25615</b>

## COVERAGES

## CERTIFICATE NUMBER:

## REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL SUBR INSR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:	Y Y	LHA113621	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	EACH OCCURRENCE \$1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$100,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$5,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$2,000,000 \$
E	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY	Y Y	5087027304	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$1,000,000 BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
B	UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE DED RETENTION \$	Y Y	89186A222ALI	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	EACH OCCURRENCE \$5,000,000 AGGREGATE \$5,000,000 \$
C	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y/N (Mandatory In NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	N/A	KEY0145742	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$1,000,000
D	Pollution Liab.	Y Y	03128724	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	\$2M/\$2M
F	Professional Liab Rent/Leased Equip	Y Y	QT6608S92240ATIL	12/08/2022	12/08/2023	\$1,000,000 per item

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

If required by written contract, Certificate Holder is an additional insured with respect to General Liability, Auto Liability, Professional Liability, Pollution Liability, and Excess Liability, subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies. Additional insured with respect to General Liability includes ongoing and completed operations. Coverage with respect to General Liability is primary and noncontributory.  
(See Attached Descriptions)

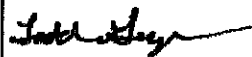
## CERTIFICATE HOLDER

## CANCELLATION

For Information Purposes Only

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE





## DESCRIPTIONS (Continued from Page 1)

When required by written contract, waiver of subrogation applies in favor of Certificate Holder with respect to General Liability, Auto Liability, Workers Comp, Professional Liability, Pollution Liability, and Excess Liability subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy.

There are no exclusions for Jib, Boom and/or Overload on the Rented/Leased Equipment policy.



**AEB**

American Empire Builders, Inc.

# REFERENCES



## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

P.O. BOX 1409  
KEY WEST, FL 33041-1409

September 23, 2020

Subject: Letter of Reference  
American Empire Builders

Project: Kingfish Pier replacement – Hurricane Irma  
City Marina @ Garrison Bight  
1801 N. Roosevelt Blvd.  
Key West, Florida 33040  
ITB #20-006

To whom it may concern:

American Empire Builders is scheduled to complete the Kingfish Pier Replacement - City Marina @ Garrison Bight in early October 2020. Tony Gonzalez, along with his crew, has demonstrated a high level of professional knowledge and integrity along with client service for this project which has met or exceeded our expectations.

The project includes removal of the existing floating concrete pier and replace with a new floating aluminum dock, approximately 400 feet in length, with twenty-four 30ft long finger piers (for up to 48 slips). The new facility is located between Palm Avenue Causeway and N. Roosevelt Blvd at City Marina at Garrison Bight and includes potable water, fire protection, electrical and sanitary sewer systems. Work is currently on time and within budget.

It is a pleasure working with American Empire Builders on this pier replacement project. The company has shown the staffing, qualifications, and dedication we demand when partnering on construction contracts. American Empire Builders has been professional, reliable, and responsive and we would highly recommend that they be considered for any project they may undertake.

Please feel free to contact me if I can provide any additional information regarding the performance of American Empire Builders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Olson", is written over a horizontal line.

Karen Olson  
Deputy Port & Marine Services Director  
305-809-3803  
201 William Street  
Key West, FL 33040

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

## Tony Gonzalez

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**From:** London-Debra <London-Debra@MonroeCounty-FL.Gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 10:14 AM  
**To:** Elva.Reyes@miamidade.gov  
**Cc:** Alfredo.Munoz@miamidade.gov; Roxana.Bayarre@miamidade.gov; Clerk.Board@miamidade.gov; Tony Gonzalez  
**Subject:** Re: American Empire Builders (AEB)  
**Attachments:** pkr1.jpg; pkr7.jpg; 5.9.16 Formwork steel-Cantilever wall (3).jpg; 7.22.16 beams looking north.jpg; 7.18.16 Pedestrian path North of Waterway.jpg

Dear Ms. Reyes,

I am pleased to provide an absolutely stellar reference for American Empire Builders.

AEB was a subcontractor on the FDOT LAP funded – Pedestrian Bridge over Marvin Adams Cut in Key Largo and the prime contractor on the FDOT LAP funded – Pigeon Key Ramp Rehabilitation Project- adjacent to the 7 mile bridge in the middle keys.

Both projects were delivered on time and under budget.

Both projects were extremely challenging with environmental USACE, FDEP, SFWMD, FKNMS and state historical preservation office SHPO requirements and required meticulous attention to detail since they were funded by the Federal Highway Administration.

I have attached photos for reference and if you have any other questions or concerns please contact me.

Sincerely

Debra



Debra London, CPPB, FCCM, MBA  
Engineering Department – Project Manager  
Monroe County -- Murray Nelson Bldg.  
102050 Overseas Hwy, Suite 229  
Key Largo, FL 33037  
Mail Stop 26  
Office 305.453.8754  
Cell 305.998.8639

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from the County regarding County business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communication may be subject to public disclosure.



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SARASOTA, FL 34236  
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Mr. Antonio Gonzalez  
American Empire Builders  
10460 SW 186th Street, Unit #215  
Miami, Florida 33157

April 27, 2018

**Reference: Pedestrian Bridge over Marvin Adams Waterway**

**Subject: Recommendation**

Dear Mr. Gonzalez,

Please accept this letter of recommendation for your work in constructing the Pedestrian Bridge over Marvin Adams Waterway in Key Largo Florida.

The bridge consisting of a 120 foot long single span utilizing FIB 45 precast beams and approximately 230 CY of cast in place concrete was constructed as part of the shared use path in Monroe County.

AEB provided the entirety of the bridge scope for the project. The project was constructed in adherence with FDOT LAP Specifications with no deficiencies noted. AEB coordinated the work of setting the beams with the DNHI project personnel, FDOT, US Coast Guard, Keys Electric Authority and Monroe County Engineering to minimize impacts to all concerned parties with minimal disruptions.

Pom Chakkaphak of Parsons Brinckerhoff provided Consulting Engineer Inspection services on the project and was highly complementary of the work provided by DNHI and AEB. While the project presented unique challenges both in terms of access and construction methods the combined project team was successful in overcoming those challenges and presenting cost saving solutions to Monroe County to achieve the completed project. AEB offered valuable input towards overcoming the challenges on the project while minimizing additional cost impacts.

DNHI considers AEB to a valuable partner in pursuing these types of projects and we look forward to more successful projects in the future.

4880 Donald Ross Road, Suite 200  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418  
(561) 469-1622





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Your final subcontract amount was \$345,125.29 as detailed in your final pay application.

Thanks again for your efforts in constructing the Pedestrian Bridge over Marvin Adams Waterway and we look forward to working with you on future projects.

Regards,

*Charles Cameron*

Charles H. Cameron  
Douglas N. Higgins, Inc.

4880 Donald Ross Road, Suite 200  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418  
(561) 469-1622

# General Asphalt Co., Inc.

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Re: American Empire Builders  
Letter of Recommendation**

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to highly recommend American Empire Builders as a Bridge Contractor. We worked with them at the T6320 Stock Island Project (FIN # 429140-1-52-01), which was completed on 06/14/16, as well as the T6388 Krome Ave Project (FIN # 249614-7-52-01), which was completed on 03/10/18.

The T6320 Stock Island Project was an extremely challenging Project and American Empire Builders was instrumental throughout the whole duration of the Project. They provided accurate pre-construction estimates and they complied with the scheduled they provided to us before the Project start date. We had a hard deadline for full incentive and without American Empire Builders' assistance we would not have made it on time. They completed the job on time and on budget, on their \$1.4M Contract.

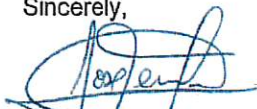
The T6388 Krome Ave Project was even more challenging with the complete construction of 2 new bridges, on a Bonus Project with a very tight schedule. Even additional work was required to be performed and everything was completed on time and on budget, on their \$1.0M Contract.

American Empire Builders' staff is professional, organized and very pleasant to work with and has excellent relationships with all the representatives on the owner's side.

We are confident that American Empire Builders will be an excellent member of any Project Team and you will be very satisfied with their work.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact us at 305-592-3480.

Sincerely,



Jose Semprun, P.E.  
Director of Operations









# Limb by limb, a mighty bridge is born

By GEOFFREY TOMB  
Herald Staff Writer

Afloat on Biscayne Bay, crane operator Wayne Boyd maneuvers his 25-story-tall steel arm with the precision of a surgeon, plucking a concrete beam from its snug nest on a seagoing barge.

Then Boyd swings the burden out over the water toward its new home on the top of the bridge's pillars, or pier caps. The beam is met by the waiting hands of supervisor Tony Gonzalez and his crew, who balance on the tall pillar above the bay.

Millimeter by millimeter, the crew eases the massive beam — 85 tons and 145 feet from end to end — until it rests horizontally between two pillars. Fourteen months have passed, of drilling into the bottom of Biscayne Bay,

## PUTTING IT TOGETHER

■ Making a bridge is like building an Erector Set. Only bigger. A look at the mechanics, 18A.

of planting the pillars, of packing tons of earth for graded approach ramps. Bit by bit, the MacArthur Bridge, a \$30.2 million, two-year public work destined to be a landmark on Miami's skyline, is taking shape.

Now comes the most dramatic phase of the construction: laying the roadway from downtown Miami to Miami Beach.

"It's something people can see

PLEASE SEE MacARTHUR, 18A



A. ENRIQUE VALENTIN / Herald Staff

**ON THE RISE OVER BISCAYNE BAY:** The mammoth new MacArthur Bridge looms over a tugboat plying the bay.

ANTONIO M. GONZALEZ  
PRESIDENT-AEB  
CGC1504911



305-345-5484 Cell  
305-261-9276 Office



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Miami, FL 33186



[tgonzalez@americanempirebuilders.com](mailto:tgonzalez@americanempirebuilders.com)

A construction professional with 36 years of industry experience specializing in Bridge Expansion, Marine Construction, Road Work, and Heavy Civil Construction. Antonio Gonzalez is the President of AEB, Inc. throughout his career in the construction industry he has repeatedly displayed a proven track record in project completion with the utmost levels of quality control on time and within budget.

Years of Experience:

36

#### WORK HISTORY

- American Empire Builders (Miami) 2006-Present
- Condotte America, Inc. 1997-2006
- Odebrecht, Inc. 1995-1997
- Recchi America, Inc. 1995-1995
- Continental Bridge, Inc. 1993-1995
- Odebrecht, Inc. 1992-1993
- Misener Marine, Inc. 1990-1992
- McNew Marine Construction, Inc.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### 2020

#### KINGFISH PIER REPLACEMENT

CONTRACT: HU1701G09 (ITB# 20-006) AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,640,000.00  
Construction of 26 boat slips floating dock.

#### WESTWINDS & CROSSWINDS DRIVE BRIDGES REPLACEMENT

CONTRACT: 000700A & 000702A AWARD AMOUNT: \$4,435,138.50  
GC for the replacement of 2 single span bridges with foundation work and concrete work and roadway associated utilities.

#### LITTLE DUCK KEY

FIN# 436344-2-52-01 E6M59 AWARD AMOUNT: \$584,409.00  
Concrete restoration on bridge with traffic control.

#### UM PROJECT SEAWATER PIER

CONTRACT: 20-086 AWARD AMOUNT: \$143,400.00  
Installation of 4 precast panels. Remove & Install new timber piles

#### HARBORAGE MARINA MEGA YACHT DOCK – ST. PETERSBURG

CONTRACT: HM-2020 AWARD AMOUNT: \$787,831.00  
Installation of 8 mega yacht boat slips, floating concrete dock.

#### ISLAMORADA DESIGN BUILD PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE – FOUNDERS PARK

FIN# 442040-1-52-01, 442040-1-56-01 E6M32 AWARD AMOUNT: \$4,679,092.00  
Design and Construction of a Pedestrian Bridge over SR 5/US 1/Overseas Hwy.

#### PINELLAS BOOKER CREEK

CONTRACT: T7448 AWARD AMOUNT: \$6,094,801.88  
Replacing the existing low-level bridge and constructing new bridge with roadway approach.

#### CARIBBEAN BLVD.

CONTRACT: MCC 7360 AWARD AMOUNT: \$2,246,931.00  
Replacement of bridge with a wider section. Widening of existing canal under new proposed bridge.

#### BIMINI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

CONTRACT: 904603 AWARD AMOUNT: \$3,811,936.26  
Bridge Replacement with associated roadway and utility work.

## **2019**

### FISHERMAN'S POINTE MARINA

CONTRACT: 19-068 AWARD AMOUNT: \$656,000.00

Demolition and Replacement of concrete dock (Decks and Caps)

### ST. PETERSBURG MUNICIPAL MARINA TRANSIENT DOCKS

CONTRACT: 16062-119 AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,410,127.00

Installation of 24 boat slips floating concrete dock.

### SEMINOLE DRIVE LWDD L-16 CANAL (BRIDGE NO. 934430)

CONTRACT: T4527 AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,334,387.85

Replacement of single span bridge with associated roadway and utility work.

## **2018**

### PIGEON KEY RAMP BRIDGE #904480 REHABILITATION

CONTRACT: G0W60 AWARD AMOUNT: \$2,437,103.68

Construction of 250ft vehicular wood ramp

### MUNICIPAL MARINA-SOUTH & CENTRAL YACHT BASINS STRUCTURAL REHABILITATION

CONTRACT: 16111-119R AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 1,841,000.00

Rehabilitation of all the marina dock & figure piers

### MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL CENTER

CONTRACT: CS0257-03-018 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 143,114.03

Temporary seawall support and repair

### MIAMI DOWNTOWN LOOP

CONTRACT: DB15-WASD-03 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 270,000.00

Design-Build services for installation of a 48-inch diameter water main downtown loop closure.

Temporary sheet piles and cofferdam

## **2017**

### SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT S-82 SPILLWAY REINFORCEMENT

CONTRACT: 3410-16-03 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 563,887.00

Temporary sheet piles, cofferdam and complete concrete restoration of the structure

### LAKE HICPOCHEE SHALLOW STORAGE & HYDROLOGIC ENHACEMENT PROJECT

CONTRACT: 3651-17-02 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 1,845,274.00

Water control structure with a maintenance bridge, installation of temp sheet piles cofferdam, permanent sheet pile wall and reinforcement concrete structural control

#### SPANISH HARBOR SPAN REPLACEMENT

CONTRACT: FDEP 67002 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 826,191.00

Cast in place bridge at the south side of Spanish Harbor, a 120' prefabricated bridge at the north side, as well as the rehabilitation of the bridge edge on both sides of Spanish Harbor Bridge.

#### FDOT KROME & 177<sup>TH</sup> AVE BRIDGE

CONTRACT: T-6388 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 996,820.00

Two bridges over the SFWM canal to allow the reconstruction of Krome Ave, the bridges consist of 24" concrete piles, 36" FIB and 8" deck for the super structure.

### **2016**

#### U.S.-1 BAYSIDE SHARED PATH BRIDGE OVER MARVIN ADAMS

CONTRACT: 43468-1-58-01 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 361,484.00

Construction of a 125' long pedestrian bridge over Marvin Addams canal with 120' FIB beams and about 500' of retaining walls using SCC

#### FDOT COW KKY BRIDGE

CONTRACT: T-6320 AWARD AMOUNT \$ 1,500,000.00

Cow Key Bridge widening which included the demolition of the existing structure as well as the replacement of 5,350LF of bridge concrete traffic railing at the Boca Chica Bridge

### **2015**

#### SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT G-541/L-8

CONTRACT: 3200-16-009 AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,051,164.00

Water control structure with a maintenance bridge and installation of temp sheet piles cofferdam on 8700 sq. ft of permanent sheet pile walls an 875cy of reinforce concrete structure to control the flow of the L-8 SFWM canal

#### FDOT-SR A1A/COLLINS AVE – INDIAN CREEK DRIVE

CONTRACT: T-6322 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 450,000.00

Installation of 2700 Sq. Ft of permanent sheet pile wall to support the existing seawall as well as a 45'x45'shaft/cofferdam to facilitate the 28' deep excavation to install the lift station structure on top of the SCC tremie

### **2014**

#### SR 5 (N. Roosevelt Blvd) & SR A1A FROM EISENHOWER DR. TO US-1

CONTRACT: 2504548-3-52-01, 250548-3-56-01 & 250548-3-56-02 AWARD AMOUNT \$ 574,589.00

Installation of 145,000 Sq. Ft of sheet piles with concrete bulk head

#### I-595 PPP CORRIDOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

CONTRACT: 420809-3-52-01 AWARD AMOUNT: \$ 1,786,332.76

Installation of, 24" & 18" prestressed concrete piles as well as the construction mass concrete footings, columns, and caps for 8 mayor bridges, beams seat assembly with SCC.





**AEB**  
American Empire Builders, Inc.

### RESUMES OF KEY PERSONNEL PROPOSED FOR THIS CONTRACT

12. NAME	13. ROLE IN THIS CONTRACT	14. YEARS EXPERIENCE	
<b>Martin Hoegg</b>	Project Manger	a. TOTAL 17	b. WITH CURRENT FIRM 2
15. FIRM NAME AND LOCATION (City and State)			
American Empire Builders, Inc. 13775 SW 145 <sup>th</sup> CT, Unit B, Miami, FL 33186			
16. EDUCATION (DEGREE AND SPECIALIZATION)		17. CURRENT PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION (STATE AND DISCIPLINE)	
Civil Engineer Master Degree		General Contractor License CGC 1525510	
18. OTHER PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (Publications, Organizations, Training, Awards, etc.)			

### 19. RELEVANT PROJECTS

A	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   T4527 Seminole Drive Bridge Replacement (FDOT Project), Lake Worth, FL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Senior PM	<b>ongoing</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
Demolition of existing Bridge, Drainage Structure Replacement, Installation of new Bridge Foundation utilizing ACIP Piles			
B	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   Westwinds Dr. & Crosswinds Dr Bridge Replacement, Pinellas County	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Senior PM	<b>ongoing</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
Demolition and replacement of (2) 50ft span bridges over navigable water for Pinellas County. The scope includes sheet pile installation, installation of 24" square concrete pile, prestress concrete slabs (bridge deck), utility work and roadway work			
C	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   Pigeon Key Ramp Bridge 904480 Rehabilitation Marathon, Monroe County FL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	<b>2019</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
Concrete Spall Repair, Steel Frame repair Retrofit, Expansion Joint Repair, Concrete Spall repair on concrete footings			
D	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   Christal River Nuclear Plant, Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, Grouting Subcontract, Duke Energy Florida, Crystal River Florida	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OM	<b>2017</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
35,000 lf drill/ re-drill for high and low mobility Grouting and furnish and install 75,000cf of high and high and low mobility grout			
E	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   US Coast Guard Miami Beach Seawall Replacement, Miami Beach, FL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OM	<b>2016</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
Installation (60) of 5 and 6 strand Soil Anchors for new Sheet Pile Seawall			
F	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State)	YEAR COMPLETED	
	<b>Project Name</b>   T2514 SR 16 St Johns Co, FL	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OM	<b>2014</b>
(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE		<input type="checkbox"/> Check if project performed with current firm	
Subcontractor to furnish and install 23 temporary soil anchors for temporary critical sheet pile wall			

G	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   Port of Palm Beach, Slip #3 Reconstruction</b> Riviera Beach, FL	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OM	2014
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Installation of 325 permanent (5) Strand Anchor for Seawall Replacement		
H	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   USACE Project Wolf Creek Dam Gallery Grouting</b> Russel County, KY	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	2013
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Concrete Repair and rock grouting in grouting gallery		
I	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   Enhanced Nitrogen Removal Facility Excavation Pit,</b> DC WASA, Washington DC	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	2010
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Installation of 93,300sf of 3ft thick concrete diaphragm wall for rectangular excavation pit 57ft deep. Chemical grouting/sealing for excavation pit utility penetrations,		
J	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   Thyssen Krupp Hot Strip Mill – Water Treatment Plant</b> Mobile Alabama	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	2009
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Installation of 3ft thick concrete diaphragm wall for 150ft dia. circular excavation pit 80ft deep. Chemical grouting/sealing for Tunnel entrance,		
K	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   U-4736B Bridges #5 &amp; #6 over Triangle Parkway over</b> Burdens Creek, NC Turnpike Authority	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	2009
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Installation of 18 Drilled Shaft Foundations at 6 Bents for new bridge foundation		
L	(1) TITLE AND LOCATION (City and State) <b>Project Name   BR 40(004) Replacement of U.S. Route 176 Bridge</b> over the Broad River, SC DOT	YEAR COMPLETED	
		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PM	2008
	(3) BRIEF DESCRIPTION (Brief scope, size, cost, etc.) AND SPECIFIC ROLE Installation of 68 Drilled Shaft Foundations at 11 Bents for new bridge foundation		

## BIDDER'S CHECKLIST

(Note: The purpose of this checklist is to serve as a reminder of major items to be addressed in submitting a bid and is not intended to be all inclusive. It does not alleviate the Bidder from the responsibility of becoming familiar with all aspects of the Contract Documents and Proper completion and submission of his/her bid.)

1. All Contract Documents thoroughly read and understood ☒
2. All blank spaces in Bid filled in black ink. ☒
3. Total and unit Prices added correctly. ☒
4. Addenda acknowledged. ☒
5. Subcontractors are named as indicated in the Bid. ☒
6. Experience record included. ☒
7. Bid signed by authorized officer. ☒
8. Bid Bond completed and executed, including power-of-attorney, dated the same date as Bid Bond. ☒
9. Bidder familiar with federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations affecting performance of the work. ☒
10. Bidder, if successful, able to obtain and/or demonstrate possession of required licenses and certificates within (10) ten days after receiving a Notice of Award. ☒
11. Bid submitted intact with the volume containing the Bidding Requirements, Contract Forms and Conditions of the Contract, one (1) original, two (2) USB drives. ☒
12. Bid Documents submitted in sealed envelope and addressed and labeled in conformance with the instructions in the Invitation to Bid. ☒
13. Anti-kickback Affidavit. ☒
14. Public Entity Crime Form. ☒
15. City of Key West Indemnification. ☒
16. Equal Benefits for Domestic Partners Affidavit. ☒
17. Cone of Silence. ☒
18. Non-Collusion Affidavit. ☒

19. Local Vendor Certification.



20. Scrutinized Companies List Verification.



21. Proof of Required Insurance.



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