



## THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**DATE:** July 6, 2018

**TO:** James Scholl, City Manager

**FROM:** John Paul Castro, Utilities Director

**Cc:** Greg Veliz, Assistant City Manager

**SUBJECT:** **Approving the Bid for ITB 18-016 Hawk Missile Site Restoration to Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc., in the Amount of \$47,950.00.**

#### **Action Statement:**

This resolution will approve the bid for Invitation to Bid 18-016 Hawk Missile Site Restoration to Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$47,950.00. Project is necessary for the enhancement of mitigation areas, consisting of construction of tidal flushing channels and the planting of red and black mangroves.

#### **Background:**

In accordance with Resolution 07-115, the city established a conservation easement and entered into a mitigation plan agreement with the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), whereby the city agreed to create and protect wetland habitat at the Hawk Missile Site.

Subsequent to recent site visits, SFWMD has determined the conservation easement mangrove habitat requires improved tidal flow and enhanced mangrove plantings. An enhancement mitigation restoration plan that will improve wetland conditions and augment mangrove plantings has been developed and approved by SFWMD.

#### **Purpose and Justification:**

Approval of this Invitation to Bid is necessary for the construction of tidal flushing channels, and the purchase and planting of mangroves within the Salt Ponds conservation easement areas.

Two bids were received and opened by the City Clerk, on June 13, 2018. Both bids were determined to be reasonable and responsive. Summary of the received bids, including \$25,000 unforeseen conditions and contingency allowance, is as follows:

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

MEMORANDUM

Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc.	\$47,950.00
Earth Balance	\$60,550.00

Based on review of the received bids, staff is recommending acceptance of the low bid.

**Options:**

1. Approve the bid from Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc. to construct tidal flushing channels and purchase and install mangrove plantings, in the amount of \$47,950.00. This option enhances the wetland habitat within the conservation easement, as directed by SFWMD.
2. Do not approve the bid from Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc. to construct tidal flushing channels and purchase and install mangrove plantings. This option may result in legal proceedings that will result in monetary or additional mitigation penalties for the City of Key West.

**Financial Impact:**

Hawk Missile Site Restoration is funded from account 402-3803-538-6500 Construction in Progress, Project Number ST38031701, in the amount of \$145,000.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends option #1, approving the bid to Charley Toppino & Sons, Inc. to construct tidal flushing channels and purchase and install mangrove plantings, in the amount of \$47,950.00; and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.