

RESOLUTION NO. 2007 - 009

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SELECTION AND NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE'S RANKING TO PROVIDE ANNUAL AUDIT SERVICES TO THE TOWN; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE TOP RANKED VENDOR, KEEFE, MCCULLOUGH & CO., LLP DIRECTING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO BRING BACK AN AGREEMENT FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL'S APPROVAL; AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NEXT HIGHEST RANKED VENDOR IF NEGOTIATIONS FAIL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2006 in furtherance of the Town's Procurement Code, the Town published a request for proposals seeking qualified vendors for the Town's Annual Audit Services; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2006 the Town received two responses to its request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, since only two proposals were submitted, the Town did not receive a good competitive spread of proposals to consider for this service; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2006, the Town approved Resolution No. 2007-002, approving the Selection and Negotiation Committee's (SNC) recommendation that it was in the Town's best interest to reject the proposals submitted and to go back out to the marketplace for the purpose of receiving additional proposals; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2006, the Town, in compliance with Resolution No. 2007-002, published a second Request for Proposal ("RFP") seeking Annual Audit Services; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2006, at 3:00 PM, the Town opened the five (5) responses that it received from Alberni, Caballero & Castellanos, LLP, BKR Garcia & Company, Harvey, Covington & Thomas, LLC, Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP, and S. Davis & Associates, P.A.; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2006, at an advertised public hearing, the Town's Selection and Negotiation Committee (SNC) reviewed the five proposals and ranked Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP as the highest qualified bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Town is desirous of negotiating an agreement with Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP for Annual Audit Services; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council authorizes and directs the Town Administrator and Town Attorney to enter into negotiations with Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP and to bring back an agreement for the Town Council's review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: The above referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: After reviewing all of the information provided, the Town Council hereby approves the following vendor ranking for the Town's Annual Audit Services as follows:

1. Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP
2. Alberni, Caballero & Castellanos, LLP
3. BKR Garcia & Company
4. Harvey, Covington & Thomas, LLC

**S. Davis & Associates, P.A. was not ranked as they were not present at the November 6, 2006 SNC meeting.*

Section 3: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches hereby authorizes the Town Administrator and Town Attorney to enter into negotiations with the top ranked vendor, Keefe, McCullough & Co., LLP, and to prepare an agreement for the Town Council's approval.


Section 4: The Town Council authorizes the Town Administrator and Town Attorney to utilize the procedures set forth within the Town's Procurement Code and to negotiate with the next highest ranked vendor if negotiations fail.

Section 5: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 9th day of November, 2006, on a motion by Council Member Steve Breitkreuz and seconded by Council Member Jeff Nelson.

Fink Y
Maines N
Breitkreuz Y
Knight N
Nelson Y

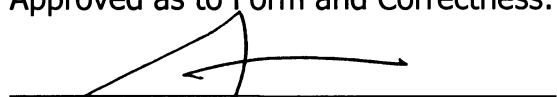
Ayes 3
Nays 2
Absent 0
Abstaining 0


Mecca Fink, Mayor

ATTEST:


Susan A. Owens, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:


Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney
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