



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Exclusive Franchise Agreement Between Alachua County, Florida and GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials

Presenter:

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Description:

Select GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC as the top ranked proposal for RFP No. 24-26 and approve contract for Exclusive Franchise Agreement Between Alachua County, Florida and GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC for the Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials

Recommended Action:

1. Select GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC as the top rank proposal received in response to Request for Proposal (RFP) 24-26 Annual Collection Services of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials; and
2. Approve the contract for Exclusive Franchise for the Collection of Residential and Commercial Solid Waste between Alachua County and GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC and authorize the Chair to execute same on behalf of the County.

Prior Board Motions:

August 25, 2020, the Board of County Commission (Board) approved the displacement of commercial haulers and instructed staff to notify affected haulers of the County's intent to initiate the displacement process.

July 13, 2021, the Board authorized staff to issue an RFP for an exclusive collection agreement.

December 13, 2022, the Board approved a draft scope of work to issue as part of the RFP.

On April 11, 2023, the Board approved the ranking of RFP No. 24-26 and instructed staff to prepare an agreement.

Fiscal Note:

No significant fiscal considerations will present themselves until October 1, 2026. At that time the residential portion of the agreement will become active. The annual cost for the residential collection is estimated to be roughly \$4.9 million per year based on the current house count. There is an annual rate increase allowed based on the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) with a cap of 5% per year.

Funds to cover these expenses are collected through an annual non-ad valorem assessment in account 148.76.7600.534.43.50.

Strategic Guide:

Environment

Background:

At the request of the Board, staff began working towards implementing an exclusive solid waste collection agreement for residential and commercial waste. The first necessary step to begin this transition was to provide the statutorily required three-year notice of displacement to all currently franchised waste haulers. Each affected waste hauler was notified of the properly noticed public meeting and on August 25, 2020, the Board approved the notice to displace all affected waste haulers. These notices were provided to each waste hauler in September of 2020. In March of 2022, the affected waste haulers were invited to participate in roundtable discussions with staff to express any concerns or identify any issues with a proposed scope of work for the exclusive franchise.

RFP 24-26 Annual Collection Services of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials on January 5, 2023. The deadline for receipt for RFP 24-26 Annual Collection Services of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials was February 22, 2023, two (2) vendors responded.

On March 7, 2023, the public evaluation meeting of the proposals was held by the County's evaluation committee. The committee recommends that GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC be selected as the top ranked vendor.

On April 11, 2023, the Board received the recommended RFP rankings and approved GFL Solid Waste Southeast, LLC as the top ranked vendor and directed staff to prepare an agreement for exclusive residential and commercial collection services for Board consideration.