



Agenda Item Summary

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Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond – King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts, Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation.

Presenter:

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Description:

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Recommended Action:

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond - King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

1. Russell Elliott
2. SIMS, Inc.

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated. Negotiations with the second ranked group may be undertaken in the same manner in order of ranking until an agreement is reached, and so forth

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

This is for Ranking only. No fiscal impact until the agreement is approved by the Board.

Strategic Guide:

Environment

Background:

The services requested, herein, are for the Watermelon Pond – King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield &

Ferran Tracts Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreements for Contractual Services to allow limited hunting opportunities in exchange for caretaking, maintenance, security and any other agreed upon services on the Property(ies).

RFP 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond – King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts, Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services was released on April 9, 2025. The deadline for receipt of RFP 26-247-F-MM Watermelon Pond – King & Warney Tracts and Sheffield & Ferran Tracts, Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services was May 21, 2025; two (2) vendors responded.

The project details can be found here:

<https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/alachuacounty/projects/155914>