



Agenda Item Summary

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Ranking of Request for Application (RFA) 25-333-MM Zero Waste Grant 2025 for Solid Waste and Resource Recovery.

Presenter:

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Description:

Ranking of RFA 25-333-MM Zero Waste Grant 2025 for Solid Waste and Resource Recovery.

Recommended Action:

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate agreements for RFA 25-333-MM Zero Waste Grant 2025:

1. Lost and Found GNV LLC
2. O-Town Compost, Inc.

Approve the awarded applicants and funding recommendations (100% Funding) with the top 2 applicants, Lost and Found GNV LLC and O-Town Compost Inc., and authorize staff to negotiate agreements with the vendors above. If satisfactory terms cannot be agreed upon, the grant will not be awarded to that vendor.

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

\$80,000 is budgeted in account 400.76.7605.534.31.00 (professional services) for FY26.

Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Background:

On April 12, 2022, the BOCC approved the creation of the Zero Waste Grant. The purpose of these grants is to stoke innovation, spur development, and encourage the enhancement of waste reduction activities within our community for the benefit of the residents of Alachua County. At that time, the first round of Zero Waste Grants was solicited resulting in five proposals being submitted. Of those, three proposals were selected and approved by the BOCC.

On April 9, 2025, Alachua County issued RFA 25-333-MM soliciting proposals for this second round of

Zero Waste Grants. During the RFP process, three proposals were submitted. A publicly noticed evaluation committee meeting was held on June 16 where the committee members selected two proposals, O-Town Compost Inc. and Lost and Found GNV LLC, to put forward to the BOCC for selection.

RFA 25-333-MM Zero Waste Grant 2025 was released April 9, 2025. The deadline for receipt of RFA 25-333-MM Zero Waste Grant 2025 was May 14, 2025; three (3) vendors responded.

The project details can be found here:

<https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/alachuacounty/projects/152273>