

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008-91**

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER APPROVING THE DECISION, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE SECTION 2-772 "SPECIAL PROCUREMENT/BID WAIVER," TO SELECT KEYSTONE RESTORATION, INC., FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC COUNTRY CLUB PRADO ENTRANCE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$859,901.00.

**WHEREAS**, initially the restoration of the De Soto Fountain Project was advertised for bids three times and the City did not receive any responses. A Request for Qualifications issued in April 2006 intended to select among qualified entities, a restoration contractor experienced in historic monuments; and

**WHEREAS**, a nine-member Competitive Selection Committee which comprised of City of Coral Gables staff, Board of Architects' representative, a Historical Preservation Board member, and two architects from the City's architectural consulting firms was formed to evaluate the submittal and the presentation of the respondents. The Evaluation Committee members graded the respondents upon their experience with historic restoration and limestone and cementitious stone stabilization/restoration, understanding of the project's requirements, ratio of fountain restoration work to other work, and experience and ability to work with a municipal/government entity, Keystone Restoration, Inc. was selected since it ranked first based on the points received; and

**WHEREAS**, during the restoration of the De Soto Fountain, Keystone Restoration, Inc. demonstrated that they had experience in restoration and they had already an established methodology of handling restoration projects, based on scientific research. They engaged only skilled restorers and being a small company located in Florida, they provided personal attention to all details; and

**WHEREAS**, the restoration of the De Soto Fountain supported the favorable recommendations to the project requirements, and prompt identification and solution of problems; and

**WHEREAS**, the above supports the continued belief that Keystone Restoration, Inc. is uniquely qualified and capable of performing the restoration of the County Club Prado entrance. The proposed contract is unsolicited and the total proposed cost of the restoration of the Country Club Prado entrance is reasonable and less than the amount allocated in the Capital Projects Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, it is clearly neither feasible nor appropriate to repeat the Request for Qualifications process, nor the bidding process in such a short period of time. Further stating that the need for restoration is urgent, and a competitive solicitation would frustrate the timely commencement of the project which would be contrary to the public interest; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the above, it is in the best interest of the City of Coral Gables to award the contract for the restoration of the Country Club Prado entrance to Keystone Restoration, Inc, who was competitively selected before for a similar project and to waive the requirements for competitive proposals due to the unusual and unique situation in the specialized type of work to be provided for the historic Country Club Prado entrance feature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing ‘Whereas’ clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** The findings and recommendations of the Competitive Selection Committee are hereby ratified and approved.

**SECTION 3.** That the Coral Gables City Commission does hereby authorize the City Manager to Piggyback on the Keystone Restoration, Inc. original contract and to instruct the Finance Director to designate the necessary funds from the Capital Improvement Fund for this project.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 2008.

(Moved: Anderson / Seconded: Cabrera)

(Yea: Anderson, Cabrera, Kerdyk, Withers, Slesnick)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)

(Agenda Item: E-5)

APPROVED:

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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