

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING March 8, 2022

# ITEM TITLE:

**Resolution.** A Resolution accepting the recommendation to authorize the award of a contract with Forerunner Industries, Inc for the City Floodplain Management as a "Sole Source Procurement," pursuant to Section 2-689 of the City's Procurement Code.

# **DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval.

#### **BRIEF HISTORY:**

The City's Development Services, Economic Development, and Innovation and Technology directors deem it necessary to effectively manage floodplains in coordination and compliance with FEMA and Miami Dade County, to ensure accurate Community Rating System (CRS) reporting and compliance to mitigate risks, costs, and impacts from flooding.

Forerunner is a software service (SaaS) designed to help with Floodplain Management and the CRS. It features a Municipal dashboard that simplifies workflows, alleviates staff effort and avoids costs; and it provides property owners with a Resident App to access a Flood Information Center.

Forerunner Industries, Inc. is the only vendor that provides this unique suite of software as a service that allows municipalities to efficiently administer their floodplain management programs, monitor compliance aspects with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and streamline activities related to the CRS program.

Forerunner Industries, Inc is also the only vendor available that has developed software customized for the extraction of data from Elevation Certificates and for parcel-level floodplain management analysis. Forerunner Industries, Inc. is the sole creator and distributor of their cloud-based Floodplain

Management software solution and has no other distributors or authorized repair/service centers. The sole source status was validated and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer. The engagement for the software services will be for a period of three (3) years.

Under Section 2-689 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Sole Source Procurement," an award may be made without competitive bids when there is only one source available to fulfill the needs of the City.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.	\$49,999.00 (~\$16,667/year for 3-years)	001-1210-524-31-90	General Ledger
Total:	\$49,999.00	APPROVED BY:	

## **ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Resolution