CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-164

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION REJECTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER TO DENY THE BID PROTEST FILED BY INC., REGARDING RFO ASHBRITT, 2018-009 SUBMITTED FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL SERVICES, ACCEPTING THE BID PROTEST FILED ASHBRITT, INC.. AND **RE-RANKING** THE PREFERRED PROVIDERS AS A RESULT OF THE BID PROTEST.

- WHEREAS, on March 6, 2018, the Procurement Division of the City's Finance Department formally advertised, issued, and distributed "Disaster Debris Removal Services, Request for Proposals (RFP) 2018-009"; and
- **WHEREAS**, fifty (50) prospective proposers downloaded the RFP package from Public Purchase, the City's web based e-Procurement service; and
- WHEREAS, on March 5, 2018, the City began accepting solicitations for disaster debris services and received eight (8) proposals between the commencement date of March 5, 2018 to the closing date of April 5, 2018; and
- WHEREAS, the aforementioned proposals were reviewed, deemed responsive, and submitted to the evaluation committee for their recommendation; and
- WHEREAS, on April 25, 2018 the Evaluation Committee, comprised of subject matter experts, convened to evaluate the eight (8) responsive proposals from Ashbritt, Inc., Arbor Tree & Land, Inc (ATL), Ceres Environmental Services Inc., Crowder Gulf Joint Venture, Inc., D & J Enterprises, Inc., DRC Emergency Services, LLC., Phillips and Jordan, Inc., and T.F.R. Enterprises, Inc.; and
- WHEREAS, the Evaluation Committee recommended that the City award the RFP and negotiate a Professional Services Agreement with the three (3) most responsive-responsible proposers in rank order: Phillips and Jordan, Inc., as the primary, Ceres Environmental Services, Inc., as the secondary, and AshBritt, Inc. ("AshBritt"), as the tertiary; and
- **WHEREAS**, on May 9, 2018, Ashbritt, Inc., which was ranked tertiary, filed an official bid protest challenging the rank order of the selection committee; and
- **WHEREAS**, at the June 12, 2018 City Commission meeting the bid protest was presented to the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, following presentation by Ashbritt, Inc., the City, and additional parties, the City Commission rejected the recommendation of the City Manager to deny the bid protest, as such accepting the bid protest and directing that Ashbritt be presented as the highest ranked provider to the City Commission for future consideration in granting a Professional Services Agreement for disaster debris services pursuant to the this RFP

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

SECTION 1. That 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. That the City Commission hereby rejects the recommendation of the City Manager to deny the bid protest filed by AshBritt, Inc., and as such accepts the bid protest and directs Ashbritt, Inc. be presented to the City Commission as the highest ranked provider to the City Commission for future consideration in granting a Professional Services Agreement for disaster debris services pursuant to RFP 2018-009.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 2018.

(Moved: Quesada/ Seconded: Lago)

(Yeas: Lago, Mena, Quesada) (Nays: Keon, Valdes-Fauli)

(Vote: 3-2)

(Agenda Item: J-1)

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI MAYOR

ATTEST:

FO WALTER J. FOEMAN CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY