



City of Coral Gables  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**April 12, 2022**

**ITEM TITLE:**

**Resolution.** A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to authorize the award of a contract with Meridian Rapid Defense Group LLC as a “Sole Source Procurement,” pursuant to Section 2-689 of the City’s Procurement Code.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval.

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

The Police Department has determined a need for barricades/safety barriers at special events and City events in order to ensure the safety of pedestrians and event attendees.

Following an evaluation and a test run with the Community Recreation Department at the City Tree Lighting Ceremony, the Archer 1200 Barrier and Archer 1200 Barrier Trailer Kit are best suited to provide the security and protection needs of the City at these events.

The Archer 1200 provides portable security and receives little to no damage following direct impact from a vehicle. Because it is constructed from ballistic-rated steel, it is reusable following impact. This allows for the safety of pedestrians and event attendees throughout the event and for future events. The steel is unique in that it is ballistic rated for armor piercing NATO rounds up to 0.50 caliber ballistic rounds and can stop a vehicle traveling 30 mph within 14 feet.

Meridian Rapid Defense Group LLC is the creator, manufacturer, and patent holder of the Archer 1200 Barrier and Archer 1200 Barrier Trailer Kit. These products are manufactured and sold by Meridian directly and cannot be acquired from other vendors. This equipment is best suited to the City’s need for safety at these events. The cost to acquire this equipment will not exceed \$200,000.00.

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.	\$200,000.00	310-1500-521-64-30	Capital Project – Event Barricades for Police Dept
			Project string: c-pol-barr.1-acquis.eqpt-gci
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$200,000.00</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Resolution
2. Approved SS 2022-067 (Request for Sole Source Procurement)
3. Updated Quote