## **CITY OF CORAL GABLES**

## -MEMORANDUM-

**TO:** Honorable Mayor, Vice-Mayor, and members of the City Commission

FROM: Peter J. Iglesias, P.E. City Manager Date: September 16, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Award Recommendation IFB 2022-015 Fiber Optic Backbone Expansion Project

At the next available City Commission Meeting, an award recommendation for IFB 2022-015, Fiber Optic Backbone Expansion Project will be included on the agenda. This memorandum serves to notify you that in accordance with Section 2-763 of the City Code entitled "Contract Award", my recommendation for award of the subject IFB is as follows:

- 1) Accept the Chief Procurement Officer's recommendation to award Unitec, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Fiber Optic Backbone Expansion Project.
- 2) Execute a contract with Unitec, Inc., in the estimated total amount \$662,500.00 but not to exceed the available budget.
- 3) Reaffirm the city's right to pursue alternative courses of action.

Five (5) bids were received on August 19, 2022, in response to the IFB: AGC Electric, Inc., Bore Tech Utilities & Maintenance, Inc., draftPros, LLC. dba draftPros, Florida Sol System, Inc., and Unitec, Inc.

The responses were reviewed by the Procurement Division to determine responsiveness to the requirements of the IFB. Once this step was completed, Information Technology conducted an evaluation of the lowest response. The Procurement Division finalized its' due diligence process and confirmed that Unitec, Inc., is both responsive to the requirements of the IFB and a responsible firm. See attached Tabulation of Bids received.

A more detailed description of the IFB, response, and evaluation results will be provided to you as part of the Agenda package.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Copy: Miriam Soler Ramos, Esq., City Attorney Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk Alberto Parjus, Assistant City Manager Raimundo Rodulfo, Information Technology Director Nelson Gonzalez, Information Technology Assistant Director Diana M. Gomez, Finance Director Celeste S. Walker-Harmon, Chief Procurement Officer