

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-06-41**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE FINAL RANKING AND RECOMMENDATION FOR THE AWARD OF RFP 22-03 TO GAUTIER TREE & LANDSCAPE, INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND INSTALLATION OF A COMMERCIAL IRRIGATION SYSTEM FOR THE FOUNDERS PARK GREAT LAWN; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER AND VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE REQUESTED SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, Islamorada, Village of Islands (the "Village") strives to enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors by providing safe and attractive recreation areas and locations for sports activities, family gatherings and community events; and

**WHEREAS**, Founders Park is considered the center of the Village's park system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Great Lawn, an approximately 2.44-acre multi-use field near the center of Founders Park, is used as the site for many events with tents and tables and various equipment, event parking, organized recreational activities as well as for overflow parking for meetings at the Community Center and events at the Ron Levy Aquatic Center; and

**WHEREAS**, until 2018, the Great Lawn had a rocky surface with sparse vegetation that did not require irrigation; and

**WHEREAS**, after the Great Lawn was utilized as a staging area for vegetative debris during cleanup after Hurricane Irma in 2017, the surface was leveled and sodded with approximately 106,449 square feet of Argentine Bahia sod; and

**WHEREAS**, to maintain the sod, especially after large events on the Great Lawn, an irrigation system is needed; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2022, the Village issued Request for Proposals (RFP) 22-03 to solicit proposals from qualified firms to furnish all necessary supervision, labor, tools, parts, and equipment required to design and install a commercial irrigation system for the Founders Park Great Lawn (the "Services"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Manager established an Evaluation Committee (the "Committee") to review responsive proposals and make a recommendation to the Village Council for the selection of a professional for the Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee reviewed the proposals received using the selection criteria detailed in RFP 22-03 and deemed Gautier Tree & Landscape, Inc. ("Gautier Tree") to be the highest ranked, responsive and responsible proposer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee recommends the Village Council approve the award of RFP 22-03, and authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Gautier Tree for the Project in an amount not to exceed Ninety Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy and 00/100 Dollars (\$90,270.00) for the Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council finds that approval of the award of RFP 22-03, and authorization to negotiate and execute an agreement with, Gautier Tree for the Services is in the best interest of the Village and its residents.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated into this Resolution by this Reference.

**Section 2. Approval of Selection.** The Village Council hereby approves the award of RFP 22-03 to Gautier Tree & Landscape, Inc. to design and install a commercial irrigation system for the Founders Park Great Lawn.

**Section 3. Authorization of Village Officials.** The Village Manager or designee and the Village Attorney are authorized to negotiate an agreement with Gautier Tree & Landscape, Inc. for the Services to design and install a commercial irrigation system for the Founders Park Great Lawn.

**Section 4. Authorization of Fund Expenditures.** Notwithstanding the limitations imposed upon the Village Manager pursuant to the Village's Purchasing Procedures Ordinance, the Village Manager is hereby authorized to expend budgeted funds for the Services.

**Section 5. Execution of Agreement.** The Village Manager is authorized to execute the Agreement with Gautier Tree & Landscape, Inc. on behalf of the Village, to execute any required documents to implement the terms and conditions of the Agreement, and to execute any extension and/or amendments to the Agreement, subject to approval as to form and legality by the Village Attorney.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Motion to adopt by Councilman David Webb, seconded by Mayor Pete Bacheler.

**FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION**

**VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS**

Mayor Pete Bacheler	YES
Vice Mayor Henry Rosenthal	YES
Councilman Mark Gregg	YES
Councilman Buddy Pinder	YES
Councilman David Webb	YES

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2022.**

  
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PETE BACHELER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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MARNE MCGRATH, VILLAGE CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF  
ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS:

  
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JOHN J. QUICK, INTERIM VILLAGE ATTORNEY