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Pre-Event Debris Removal Recommendation

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To: Annette Berry <aberry@gordoncounty.org>, James Ledbetter <jledbetter@gordoncounty.org>

Good morning!

Annette,

Can you please add this to the agenda for next Tuesday' 's (19th) meeting?

Jim,

Courtney, Doug Ralston, Nathan Saylor, Greg Hasty, and I reviewed all of the bids and unanimously agreed on this recommendation. Courtney suggested we have 3 vendors lined up this go around just to be sure we are fully prepared should anything happen. If you have any questions or see anything that needs to be changed, please let me know.

I hope you both have a great weekend!

Thank you!

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**GORDON COUNTY, GEORGIA
MEMORANDUM**

To: Board of County Commissioners
From: Regan Bramblett
Subject: Debris Removal and Disaster Services
Date: January 14, 2021

County staff solicited for and received sealed written RFP's for Pre-Event Disaster Assistance and Debris Removal for Gordon County. This proposal was to contract with Vendors to provide disaster assistance and debris removal in the event of some natural disaster or man made disaster. Proposal documents were prepared and posted on the County's website, the State of Georgia Procurement website, and advertised in the Calhoun Times on December 16 and 23, 2020. The deadline to submit the sealed proposals was 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 30, 2020. County staff opened the proposals received at that time in a public opening.

Emergency Management requested we seek potential vendors to help with disaster clean up in the event there is a need. FEMA recommends that counties, states, and municipalities enter into a pre-event contract for disaster help. In the event we were to have a disaster similar to the storms in 2013, the County would be prepared to enlist disaster relief companies to help with the clean up. By securing a pre-event contract, it would allow the County to secure a greater percentage reimbursement from FEMA. The disaster relief companies will also assist the County in preparing documentation and filing with FEMA if a disaster event occurs. By entering into agreements with disaster relief companies, the County can lock in prices for three (3) years and be prepared should an event occur.

Below were the responders:

Proposer

Ceres Environmental (Sarasota, FL)
Crowder Gulf (Theodore, AL)
Custom Tree Care
DRC (New Orleans, LA)
Graham County Land Company
KDF (Austin, Texas)
Southern Disaster Recovery (Greer, SC)
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Merit First

County staff has evaluated the submitted proposals and determined **Ceres Environmental, KDF, and Southern Disaster Recovery** are the most responsive vendors.

The staff determined that it would be in the best interest of the County to have multiple vendors in the event a disaster occurs. If the disaster is wide spread, we believe having more than one vendor would give us a greater chance of receiving the needed help.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board enter into contracts with **Ceres Environmental, KDF, and Southern Disaster Recovery**. Entering into contracts with these three vendors will not cost the County anything unless we call on one or more of the vendors for help. This contract is to place the vendors on call in the event of an emergency and to lock in prices.