

MEMORANDUM

October 11, 2017

TO: City Commission

THRU: Greg Harrison, City Manager
Brian Donovan, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Horacio Danovich, CIP Manager

RE: Fire Station 24 – Contract Amendment

Issue

Staff is seeking City Commission approval of a Resolution to extend an existing agreement with West Construction, Inc. (West) to October 27, 2018 with no additional compensation resulting from necessary changes to the plans.

Recommendation

Staff recommends Approval of the Resolution.

Background

On 10/25/2016, the City Commission approved Resolution 2017-38 and awarded West a Design-Build contract in the sum of \$ 5,191,010.03 including \$195,000.00 in contingency.

Staff wishes to amend the existing agreement with West. The original agreement stipulated completion by October 2017. However, neither the design team nor Staff were aware that existing electric services for the Airpark were tied directly to the station. As a result, the plans did not contemplate relocating and separating existing electrical service. This activity required additional design services from FPL, AT&T and Comcast to ensure transformers and switch cabinets that can feed each facility independently.

FPL is working to separate the power to the localizer. Once West receives the design and FPL pricing, they can schedule the work and eventually the switch over for the new service. West will not be able to demolish the existing service until the new service is in place. This may delay a portion of the demolition of the building.



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In addition and as anticipated, Broward County is adopting a new alert system. Broward County Commission was expected to approve a contract with a provider (Phoenix Technologies) on October 10, 2017. Staff preferred to make provisions for a new system rather installing the old Zetron alert system. The Zetron will be functional and operational in the trailers, but Staff prefers to install the new system at the station.

Currently the only AT&T service the existing Fire station has is for the Zetron Circuit, this technology is extremely old. The city and county will be implementing Over the air Alerting, which will require the purchase of new radio, antenna and coordination with County ORCAT. This is the same as previously done at Station 11 & 103. The partial delay is a function of Broward County awarding the contract and the supplier making provisions to ensure the new system can function without any interference.

Staff is confident these issues will be resolved without further ado.