

**Memorandum No. 20-36**

**DATE: May 7, 2020**

**TO: City Commission**

**FROM: Anthony Alhashemi, Project Manager**

**SUBJECT: Canal Dredging Phase I – Bid Award P-14-20**

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In accordance with the bathometric survey prepared by Sea Diversified, Inc. in 2017, dredging within certain sections of the artificial waterway system is necessary to maintain adequate water depths for navigation purposes. The survey categorized the canals in need of dredging by levels of priority, with the highest level of priority being canals with shoaling that create the greatest impediments to navigation. The City intends on dredging canals in multiphases over the next several years. The current project, scheduled for 2020, is the first phase of maintenance dredging and includes sections of (13) canals and the removal of an estimated (2,498) cubic yards of soil identified in the plan.

On May 4, 2020 bids were opened for the above referenced project. The lowest bidder was Brance Diversified, Inc. with a construction cost of \$185,010.00.

The references supplied by Brance Diversified, Inc. have been checked and the above-mentioned contractor has performed multiple successful dredging projects throughout the State of Florida

Being the low bidder, coupled with favorable references, it is my recommendation that the award of this contract be made to Brance Diversified, Inc. in the amount of \$185,010.00.