

ITEM #67

**ADDITIONAL MATERIAL
10:00 A.M. REGULAR MEETING**

JUNE 13, 2017

**SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF
FINANCE and ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES DEPARTMENT**




Finance and Administrative Services Department
PURCHASING DIVISION
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 13, 2017

TO: Board of County Commissioners

THRU: Kevin B. Kelleher, Deputy CFO/Deputy Director,
Finance and Administrative Services Department 

FROM: Brenda J. Billingsley, Director BRENDA
Purchasing Division BILLINGSLEY

SUBJECT: June 13, 2017 - Commission Meeting - Agenda Item No. 67
Motion to Approve final ranking of the qualified firms for Request for
Proposals (RFP) No. R2112554P2, External Audit Services

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External Audit Services Agenda Item No. 67, Motion currently reads as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE final ranking of the qualified firms for Request for Proposals No. R2112554P2 for External Audit Services; the ranked firms are: 1 – RSM US LLP; 2 – Cherry Bekaert LLP; 3 – S. Davis & Associates, P. A.; 4 – BCA Watson Rice LLP....

After a review of the template for the scoring sheet, it was determined that the points for Location were inadvertently excluded from the total maximum points. Points for Location are added to the Vendors' score by the County's Purchasing Staff and not the Evaluation Committee Members. The Director of Purchasing memorandum provided to the Evaluation Committee Members, dated May 25, 2017, showed which firms met the requirements to receive the Points for Principal Business Location (Refer to Exhibit 1, page 9 of 11). Only one Proposer (S. Davis & Associates, PA) met the requirements to receive the allotted 5 points for Principal Business Location.

By adding the possible five (5) points for Location to the overall Maximum Points (changed the overall total Maximum Points from 100 to 105), and applying the points to the overall score of the one Proposer that met the Principal Business Location requirements, changed the overall total points for S. Davis & Associates, P.A. as follows: from 420.05 to 445.05 (5 additional points for each Evaluation Committee Member for a total change of 25 additional points). This changes the ranking order of this firm, from the third ranked firm to the second ranked firm. Refer to Exhibit 2, Revised Scoring Summary Sheet dated June 12, 2017. The addition of the twenty-five points has no impact on the recommended final ranking for the number one ranked firm **RSM US LLP.**

Accordingly, the Revised Motion should read:

MOTION TO APPROVE final ranking of the qualified firms for Request for Proposals No. R2112554P2, External Audit Services; the ranked firms are: 1 – RSM US LLP; 2 –; S. Davis & Associates, P. A.; 3 - Cherry Bekaert LLP 4 – BCA Watson Rice LLP....

The Ranking Order was posted on the Purchasing Division's website from May 31, 2017 through June 9, 2017, there were no objections or protest filed regarding this procurement.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1: Director of Purchasing Recommendation Memorandum dated May 25, 2017

Exhibit 2: Revised Scoring Summary Sheet dated June 12, 2017

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c: Bertha Henry, County Administrator
George Tablack, CPA, Chief Financial Officer
Robert Melton, County Auditor
Joni Armstrong Coffey, County Attorney



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DATE: May 25, 2017
TO: Evaluation Committee Members
THRU: Brenda J. Billingsley, Director of Purchasing
FROM: Carolyn Messersmith, Purchasing Agent
SUBJECT: Recommendation Memorandum
RFP No. R2112554P2, External Audit Services

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- REFERENCE: (a) Procurement Code Subsection 21.83.d
(b) Procurement Code Subsection 21.30.f.5
(c) Summary Reports provided by Staff

In accordance with reference (a), the Purchasing Director reviews all submittals for responsiveness and recommends to the Evaluation Committee her findings, which the Evaluation Committee may accept or arrive at a different conclusion. This RFP has a designated County Business Enterprise (CBE) goal of 25%. Four (4) submittals were received by the Purchasing Division.

There are four (4) responsiveness requirements involving compliance, including, receipt of the Lobbyist Registration Certification Form, acknowledgement of "Must" Addenda, receipt of Pricing, and receipt of the Domestic Partnership Certification Form. All four (4) proposers are recommended to be evaluated as responsive to the receipt of the Lobbyist Registration Certification Form, acknowledgement of "Must" Addenda, Pricing, and receipt of the Domestic Partnership Certification Form.

In accordance with reference (b), the Evaluation Committee determines whether or not the firms submitting proposals are responsible. Pursuant to Procurement Code Subsection 21.8.b.64, a responsible firm is one that has the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. To assist the Evaluation Committee in this determination, information regarding Office of Economic and Small Business Development goals compliance, the disclosure of litigation history, financial information, the Authority to Conduct Business in the State of Florida, affiliated entities, Proof of Insurance and evidence of Florida CPA license of partner in charge of this Engagement responsibility requirements of the RFP are provided.

A draft of the Purchasing Director's Recommendation Memorandum and the four (4) supporting memoranda from the Office of Economic and Small Business Development, the Finance and Administrative Services Department (FASD), the County Attorney's Office and the Risk Management Division were emailed to proposers with a request that, if the proposers desired to explain any deficiencies noted in their RFP response submittals, they should do so in writing. All written explanations, received in response, were subsequently reviewed by the Office of Economic and Small Business Development, the FASD, the County Attorney's Office and the Risk Management Division.

A. RESPONSIVENESS RECOMMENDATION

Recommendations regarding the responsiveness of proposers to the requirements are based on the following criteria from the RFP:

1. Lobbyist Registration - Certification

Recommendations regarding the responsiveness of proposers to the Lobbyist Registration Certification requirements are based on the following criteria from the RFP:

A vendor who has retained a lobbyist(s) to lobby in connection with a competitive solicitation shall be deemed non-responsive unless the firm, in responding to the competitive solicitation, certifies that each lobbyist retained has timely filed the registration or amended registration required under Section 1-262, Broward County Code of Ordinances.

A Lobbyist Registration Certification Form was attached to the RFP and must be completed and returned upon request by the County if not included in the RFP Submittal Response.

After careful review of the information provided in reference (b) against the requirements of the RFP as detailed above, the following recommendations are provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Recommendation of Responsiveness</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Responsive	Not retained
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Responsive	Not retained
RSM US LLP	Responsive	Retained*
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Responsive	Retained**

Additional Information

*RSM US LLP – RSM US LLP has retained Becker & Poliakoff.

**S. Davis & Associates, P.A. – S. Davis & Associates, P.A. has retained John Milledge.

2. "Must" Addenda

Recommendations regarding the responsiveness of proposers to the Addenda requirements are based on the following criteria from the RFP:

There were no "MUST" addenda.

3. Price

Price Sheet must be completed and submitted at time of solicitation due date in order to be responsive to solicitation requirements.

After careful review of the information provided in reference (b) against the requirements of the RFP as detailed above, the following recommendations are provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Recommendation of Responsiveness</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Responsive	Submitted
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Responsive	Submitted
RSM US LLP	Responsive	Submitted
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Responsive	Submitted

4. Domestic Partnership Act

The Broward County Domestic Partnership Act (Section 16-1/2 – 157 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances, as amended) requires that, for projects where the initial contract term is more than \$100,000, that at the time of RFP submittal, the vendor shall certify that the vendor currently complies or will comply with the requirements of the Domestic Partnership Act by providing benefits to Domestic Partners of its employees on the same basis as it provides benefits to employee's spouses.

After careful review of the information provided against the requirements of the RFP as detailed above, the following recommendations are provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Recommendation of Responsiveness</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Responsive	Complies
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Responsive	Complies*
RSM US LLP	Responsive	Complies
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Responsive	Complies

Additional Information

* **Cherry Bekaert LLP** - Cherry Bekaert LLP initially submitted "will not comply" but subsequently stated "The Vendor will comply with the requirements of the County's Domestic Partnership Act at time of contract award."

B. RESPONSIBILITY INFORMATION

1. Office of Economic and Small Business Development Program

The Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012 and the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 26 establish the County's policies for participation by Small Business Enterprises (SBE), County Business Enterprises (CBE), and Federal Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE's) in all County contracts.

In accordance with the above, the (CBE) goal participation for this contract is 25%.

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Complies	25%
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Complies	25%

RSM US LLP*	Complies	25%
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Complies	65%

Additional Information

* **RSM US LLP** – RSM US LLP submitted three (3) Letters of Intent, however one of the subconsultant firms is not CBE certified (Rodriguez Trueba & Company). OESBD’s compliance memo only details the firms used to meet the goal.

2. Disclosure of Litigation History

The information provided below is intended to inform the Evaluation Committee regarding each proposer’s disclosure or failure to disclose its litigation history. The RFP requests firms to disclose to the County all "material" cases filed, pending, or resolved during the last three (3) years prior to the solicitation response due date, whether such cases were brought by or against the vendor, any parent or subsidiary of the vendor, or any predecessor organization. It is the responsibility of each proposer to identify and disclose to the County all "material" cases. "Material" cases include cases involving work similar to the scope of work in this solicitation, professional negligence, malpractice, default, termination, suspension, poor performance, bankruptcy and business related criminal offenses. "Material" cases do not include cases that involve garnishment, auto negligence, personal injury, workers' compensation, foreclosure or a proof of claim filed by the vendor.

The following information is provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	No Disclosed Cases	No County Cases
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Five Disclosed Cases	No County Cases
RSM US LLP	No Disclosed Cases	No County Cases
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	No Disclosed Cases	No County Cases

Additional information

None.

3. Disclosure of Financial Information

The information provided below is intended to inform the Evaluation Committee regarding each proposer’s disclosure or failure to disclose financial information. The information provided is based on a review by the Finance and Administrative Services Department (FASD). Each Vendor shall submit its most recent two years of financial statements for review. The financial statements are not required to be audited financial statements. The annual financial statements shall be in the form of:

- i. Balance sheets, income statements and annual reports; or
- ii. Tax returns; or
- iii. SEC filings

The disclosure of financial information by proposers is a matter of responsibility. Each Evaluation Committee member should consider this information in his or her individual assessment of each proposer's responsibility regarding the disclosure of financial information.

The following information is provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks (Current Ratio)</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Provided 2015 Financials Provided 2014 Financials	0.79 and 2.43 0.47 and 3.28
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Provided 2016 Financials Provided 2015 Financials	0.46 and 2.91 0.06 and 2.46
RSM US LLP	Provided 2016 Financials Provided 2015 Financials	0.55 and 1.56 0.49 and 1.67
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Provided 2016 Financials Provided 2015 Financials	0.49 and 2.76 1.23 and 0.98*

Finance and Administrative Services Department:

*S. Davis & Associates, P.A. - S. Davis & Associates, P.A. provided confidential financial statements for the fiscal years ending December 2016 and 2015. The financials showed a current ratio under 1.0 for 2015.

S. Davis & Associates, P.A. responded to FASD's Memorandum that included a "reportable condition" for 2015, and has been distributed to the Evaluation Committee.

4. Authority to Conduct Business in Florida

A Florida corporation or partnership is required to provide evidence with its response that the firm is authorized to transact business in Florida and is in good standing with the Florida Department of State. If not with its response, such evidence must be submitted to the County no later than five (5) business days from request of the Purchasing agent.

The following information is provided for consideration by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Provided Registration Number	Authorized/ Good Standing
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Provided Registration Number	Authorized/ Good Standing
RSM US LLP	Provided Registration Number	Authorized/ Good Standing
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Provided Registration Number	Authorized/ Good Standing

Additional Information

Purchasing Agent verified information on the State of Florida Division of Corporations website. All proposers were found to be authorized and in good standing.

5. Affiliated Entities of the Principal(s)

All Vendors are required to disclose the names and addresses of "affiliated entities" of the Vendor's principal(s) over the last five (5) years (from the solicitation opening deadline) that have acted as a prime Vendor with the County. "Affiliated entities" of the principal(s) are those entities related to the Vendor by the sharing of stock or other means of control, including but not limited to a subsidiary, parent or sibling entity.

An Affiliated Entities Certification Form was attached to the RFP and must be completed and returned upon request by the County if not included in the RFP Submittal Response.

The following information is provided for consideration and final determination by the Evaluation Committee:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Provided	No Affiliates
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Provided	No Affiliates
RSM US LLP	Provided	No Affiliates
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Provided	No Affiliates

6. Insurance Requirements

The RFP indicated the insurance requirements deemed necessary for this project. It is not necessary to have this level of insurance in effect at the time of submittal, but it is necessary to submit certificates indicating that the firm currently carries the insurance or the vendor needs to submit a letter from the carrier indicating upgrade availability.

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Provided	Compliant- Has Insurance
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Provided	Compliant- Has Insurance
RSM US LLP	Provided	Compliant- Has Insurance
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Provided	Compliant- Has Insurance

7. Licensing Requirements

The RFP stated that Proposers must provide evidence that the CPA firm to provide evidence of Florida CPA license of partner in charge of this Engagement.

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Responsibility Information</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Provided	Compliant
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Provided	Compliant
RSM US LLP	Provided	Compliant
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Provided	Compliant

C. EVALUATION CRITERIA:

The RFP contains Evaluation Criteria Questions that are weighted and used in the evaluation and scoring of each firm by the Evaluation Committee. The total available points for the evaluation criteria questions is 100 points. Ten (10) questions cover all aspects of a firm’s history, staffing, project approach and past performance totaling 80 points and are based on specific criteria in the RFP.

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Response to Evaluation Criteria</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	No*
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Yes
RSM US LLP	Yes
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Yes

Additional Information

* **BCA Watson Rice LLP** - BCA Watson Rice LLP did not provide a response to ten (10) evaluation criteria questions, which is for 80 of the 100 scoring points involving the firm’s history, approach to the project and quality of staff, except for pricing.

BCA Watson Rice LLP responded to the draft Director of Purchasing Memorandum, stating “We have read through the Purchasing Director Memorandum Draft and noted a deficiency related to Watson Rice’s submission of the evaluation section of the proposal. It appears the deficiency is due to technical errors with use of the BidSync system. We have attached a copy of the evaluation section of the proposal here to be forwarded to the evaluation committee for consideration.” A copy of their e-mail and attachment has been included in the materials forwarded to the Evaluation Committee, however since the attachment was not included in the original submittal through BidSync, it is not reflected on the evaluation matrix.

The advertised RFP included submittal instructions for BidSync, stating it was the vendor’s responsibility to respond to the RFP by the required date and time (Bid Comments) and it also provided information on uploading additional information (Standard Instructions for Vendors, W. Submittal Instructions) – “After all documents are viewed, submitted, and/or accepted in BidSync, the Vendor must upload additional information requested by the solicitation (i.e. Evaluation Criteria and Financials Statements) in the Item Response Form in BidSync, under line one (regardless if pricing requested).

The County requested an audit log from BidSync, to confirm if there were any technical issues with BidSync. The audit log displays the vendor's activities, beginning at 9:27 am on day of submittal. The vendor did not access the offer page until 4:57:58 pm (the location to upload attachments and enter pricing). The RFP was due by 5:00 p.m. (offer must be submitted and confirmed in BidSync). The log did not indicate any errors with uploading documents. BCA Watson Rice LLP confirmed offer at 4:59:33 pm.

D. COUNTY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS INFORMATION:

The information provided below is intended to inform the Evaluation Committee regarding each proposer's acceptance of the County's standard terms and conditions as cited in the RFP solicitation document linked to Broward County Form (BCF) 101.

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Exceptions</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Yes	None
Cherry Bekaert LLP	No	Article 5 Indemnification
RSM US LLP	No	Section VI. Schedule C. Article 5 Indemnification Article 6, 6.3.1; 6.3.2; 6.7 - Insurance Article 8, 8.5-Equal Employment Opportunity & CBE Compliance Article 9, 9.1; 9.2(d); 9.3 - Miscellaneous
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Yes	None

E. REFERENCES

The RFP's Evaluation Criteria – Project Specific Criteria, Page 30, Question 9, requested that references be provided for previous experience and projects completed by all firms. Attached are the results of the reference checks that were provided by the vendors and verified by County staff.

F. PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

The Broward County Purchasing Division Contracts Central indicates evaluation scores for the proposing firms previously awarded contracts. Completed performance evaluations may be provided upon request. The individual evaluation scores for the proposing firms are as follows:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Scores Provided</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	None
Cherry Bekaert LLP	None
RSM US LLP	None
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	None

G. VOLUME OF PREVIOUS WORK

The RFP states that a number of points will be allocated for volume of previous work of the firm for the past five (5) years. The volume of work for each of the proposing firms is as follows:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Proposer Reported</u>	<u>County Reported</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cherry Bekaert LLP	\$0.00	\$0.00
RSM US LLP	\$0.00	\$0.00
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	\$210,750*	\$0.00

Additional Information

* S. Davis & Associates, P.A. responded to the draft Director of Purchasing Memorandum, stating that they billed 210,750 to the Housing Finance Authority... not Broward County Board of County Commissioners.

H. PRINCIPAL BUSINESS LOCATION

The RFP states that a number of points will be allocated for location of the firm. The Vendor's principal address in Broward County shall be the Vendor's "Principal Address" as indicated with the Florida Department of State Division of Corporations, for at least six (6) months prior to the solicitation's due date. A proposer with a principal business location within Broward County will receive five (5) points. A proposer not having its principal business location within Broward County will receive zero (0) points. The results are as follows:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Proposer Attested Nerve Center</u>	<u>Location Verified in SunBiz</u>	<u>Points Allocated</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	110 E. Broward Blvd. Suite 1700 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301	12000 Biscayne Blvd. Suite 503 Miami, FL 33181	0 Points
Cherry Bekaert LLP	401 E. Jackson St. Suite 1200 Tampa, FL 33602	200 South 10 th St. Suite 900 Richmond, VA 23219	0 Points
RSM US LLP	100 NE Third Ave. Suite 300 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301	One S. Wacker Dr. Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60606	0 Points
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	2521 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, FL 33020	2521 Hollywood Blvd. Hollywood, FL 33020	5 Points

I. LOCAL PREFERENCE

A vendor is eligible to be considered a local business for Local Preference purposes if it has a physical business address located within the limits of Broward County or Miami-Dade County. The vendor must provide a valid business tax receipt issued by Broward County or Miami-Dade County at least one year prior to bid or proposal opening. The results are as follows:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Eligibility</u>	<u>Broward or Dade County Tax Receipt</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Eligible	Provided - Broward County
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Eligible	Provided - Miami-Dade County*
RSM US LLP	Eligible	Provided - Broward County
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Eligible	Provided - Broward County

***Cherry Bekaert LLP** - Cherry Bekaert LLP did not provide Broward County Business Tax receipt at time of submittal opening. In response to the draft Director of Purchasing Memorandum, the firm provided their Broward County Business Tax receipt.

J. LOCATION TIE BREAKER

A Vendor located within Broward County is eligible for the Location Tie Breaker. The County requires a copy of the Broward County Business Tax receipt for a period of time of at least six (6) months prior to the solicitation deadline. The results are as follows:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Eligibility</u>	<u>Broward County Tax Receipt</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Eligible	Not Provided*
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Not Eligible	Not Provided**
RSM US LLP	Eligible	Provided
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Eligible	Provided

Additional information

***BCA Watson Rice LLP**- BCA Watson Rice LLP did not provide Broward County Business Tax receipt at time of submittal opening. Provided after solicitation opened.

****Cherry Bekaert LLP** - Cherry Bekaert LLP did not provide Broward County Business Tax receipt at time of submittal opening. In response to the draft Director of Purchasing Memorandum, the firm provided their Broward County Business Tax receipt.

K. CBE COMPLIANCE HISTORY

The following is a report of the proposers' CBE compliance history for projects completed within the last five (5) years of the RFP opening date:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>CBE Goal</u>	<u>CBE Commitment</u>	<u>CBE Attainment</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	None	None	None *
Cherry Bekaert LLP	None	None	None *
RSM US LLP	None	None	None *
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	None	None	None *

Additional information

*At this time, the OESBD cannot report the CBE compliance history of completed projects for all four (4) firms as none exist within the last five (5) years of the RFP's opening.

L. CONE OF SILENCE VIOLATIONS

The Cone of Silence for this project has been in effect since March 31, 2017 which prohibits potential vendors from discussing this RFP with the Evaluation Committee, the County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator, Assistant County Administrator, Assistants to the County Administrator, their respective support staff, and any other person authorized to evaluate or recommend selection in this RFP process.

Upon the first meeting of the Evaluation Committee the Cone of Silence will expand to also include County Commissioners and their staff. Potential vendors and their representatives are substantially restricted from communicating with County Commissioners and their staff regarding this RFP as stated in the Cone of Silence Ordinance.

After application of the Cone of Silence, inquiries regarding this solicitation should be directed to the Director of Purchasing or designee. The Cone of Silence terminates when the County Commission or other awarding authority takes action which ends the solicitation. Vendors are required to certify that they have read, understand and will comply with the Cone of Silence Ordinance, Section 1-266, Broward County Code of Ordinances, as amended.

The following is a report of the proposers' Cone of Silence violations:

<u>Name of Firm</u>	<u>Remarks</u>	<u>Violations</u>
BCA Watson Rice LLP	Will Comply	None
Cherry Bekaert LLP	Will Comply	None
RSM US LLP	Will Comply	None
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	Will Comply	None

Attachments

- c: Jedidiah Shank, Audit Manager Office of the County Auditor (Project Manager)
- Karen Walbridge, Purchasing Manager, Purchasing Division, Finance and Administrative Services Department
- Connie Mangan, Purchasing Manager, Purchasing Division, Finance and Administrative Services Department
- Carolyn Messersmith, Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Division, Finance and Administrative Services Department
- Glenn Miller, Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney
- Daphne Jones, Assistant County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney

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**Scoring Summary Sheet
Combination Initial and Final Evaluation Meeting
R2112554P2
External Audit Services
June 12, 2017**

115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room GC430, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Firm Name	George Tablack	Kathie-Ann Ulett	Helena James- Rendleman	Linda Levinson	Michael Novar	Total	Original Ranking	Principal Business Location*	Revised Total**	Revised Ranking**
BCA Watson Rice LLP	66.00	79.00	67.00	93.00	71.00	376.00	4	0.00	376.00	4
Cherry Bekaert LLP	94.50	82.50	81.50	91.50	87.50	437.50	2	0.00	437.50	3
RSM US LLP	96.97	95.97	89.97	96.97	96.97	476.85	1	0.00	476.85	1
S. Davis & Associates, P.A.	84.61	82.61	69.61	94.61	88.61	420.05	3	25.00	445.05	2

* Principal business location is based on Board policy; five points are allocated for a principal place of business located within Broward County. Principal place of business means the nerve center or center of overall direction, control, and coordination of the activities of the bidder [vendor]

** Revised total and Revised Ranking includes points for principal business location, based on Broward County's Board policy.