

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 472

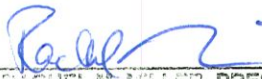

Approved November 22, 2023

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Authorize Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.  
(Providence Water)

\$7,774,510.00

IN CITY COUNCIL  
NOV 16 2023  
READ AND PASSED

  
RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT  
  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
Mayor

Date: 11/22/2023



OFFICE OF THE INTERNAL AUDITOR  
*City of Providence*

October 17, 2023

Ms. Tina Mastroianni  
City Clerk's Office  
City of Providence  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Tina:

I am writing to request that the following requested contract awards be submitted to the City Council and the Finance Committee for approval:

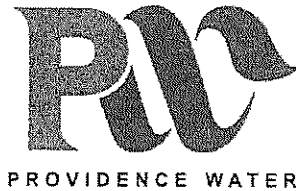
- **Department of Arts, Culture and Tourism:**
  - Change order #1 to **First Works** in the amount of **\$42,000.00** to compensate craft vendors who participated in PVDFest 2023 and experienced damages during the storm on Sunday, September 10, 2023, in accordance with the Code of Ordinances, Section 21-26 (b) (4).
- **Providence Water:**
  - Award to **J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.** for "Removal and Disposal of Residuals from the South Sedimentation Basin", in the amount of **\$7,774,510.00** in accordance with the Code of Ordinances, Section 21-26 (b) (1).
- **Law Department**
  - Notification of outside legal counsel to include **Lifespan Physician Group, Medical and Life Care Consulting** and **Padwa Law Group**, in the amount of **\$546,500.00** in accordance with the Code of Ordinance, Section 21-26 (b) (2).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gina M. Costa".

Gina M. Costa  
Internal Auditor

Cc: Joe Wilson, Jr, Director of ACT  
Ricky Caruolo, General Manager, Water Supply  
Jeff Dana, city Solicitor  
Alejandro Tirado, Director of Purchasing  
Shomari Husband City Treasurer



October 5, 2023

The Honorable Mayor Brett Smiley  
Chairman, Board of Contract and Supply  
City Hall, 25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903

RE: Removal and Disposal of Residuals from the South Sedimentation Basin (Exp. 12/31/25)

MinuteTraq ID: 40536  
Account Code: 848-848-52885

Minority Participation: 0% MBE, 0% WBE

Dear Mayor Smiley,

DATE OF BID OPENING: August 15, 2023

RECOMMENDED BIDDER: J.F. Brennan Company, Inc. 818 Bainbridge Street, La Crosse, WI 54603

TOTAL AMOUNT RECOMMENDED: Total amount of the contract not to exceed \$7,774,510.00 through December 31, 2025

In response to our request for proposal regarding the above entitled, our department received the following bids:

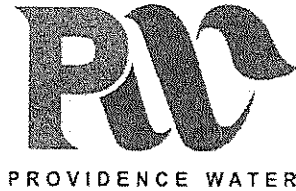
	VENDOR NAME	Rates
1.	Synagro Northeast, LLC	\$7,089,393.80
2.	J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.	\$7,774,510.00

☒ On the basis of said bids, we recommend the sole responsive bidder based on the submitted proposals, as identified on LINE 2, whose bid has met all the specifications.

☒ Additional documentation to support the decision for this award is attached to this letter.

### Bid Evaluation

On August 15, 2023, Providence Water (PW) received two (2) bids for the Removal and Disposal of Residuals from the South Sedimentation Basin (Exp. 12/31/25) project. The apparent low bidder for the project was Synagro Northeast, LLC (Synagro) with a bid of Seven Million, Eighty-Nine Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$7,089,393.80). The other bid was from J.F. Brennan Company, Inc. with a base bid price of Seven Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Four Thousand, Five Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$7,774,510.00). Both bids were submitted in accordance with the Project Manual, including the required 5% bid bond, and also included all of the required City of Providence forms. Qualifications in accordance with Section 00200 Instructions to Bidders, Article 3, Qualifications of Bidders were also provided by both bidders. Neither bidder was able to meet the City's MBE/WBE Goals. Both included the MBE/WBE Waiver Request form with their bid.



Synagro's bid condition is that they will not be able to achieve the required completion timeframe of 105 days for the South Sedimentation Basin cleaning. The substantial completion of the South Sedimentation Basin cleaning work is of significant priority to PW. Therefore, PW deems Synagro's bid as non-responsive and recommends awarding the remaining bidder, J.F. Brennan Company, Inc., whose bid meets all the specifications.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ricky Caruolo,  
General Manager

  
Financial Approval

Department Subject Matter Expert: Peter LePage, Senior Director

*By signing, the subject matter expert certifies the following: That the recommended vendor(s) is/are the lowest, qualified bidder(s) with regards to the corresponding specifications. That all bids corresponding to this award were reviewed for completeness and that the recommended bidder's submission is inclusive of all required documents.*

Specification Requirements		Synagro Northeast, LLC 435 Williams Court, Suite 100 Baltimore, MD 21220	J.F. Brennan Company, Inc. 818 Bainbridge Street La Crosse, WI 54603
Bid Bond	Yes	Yes	Yes
MBE/WBE Forms	Yes	Yes	Yes
City of Providence Forms	Yes	Yes	Yes
References Provided	Yes	Yes	Yes
Experience Modification Rating < 1.0	Yes	Yes	Yes
Substantial Completion <sup>1</sup>	No	Yes	Yes
RIPDES Discharge Compliance	Yes	Yes	Yes

1. Synagro Northeast conditioned their bid response stating they could not meet the specifications requirement of 105 calendar days to remove the residuals from the south basin and return to service.

Recommendation: Based on Synagro Northeast conditioning their response to the substantial completion deadline, they are being deemed non-responsive to the specifications. As such, PW recommends award to the next lowest bidder J.F. Brennan Company, Inc. that meets all the specifications

Removal and Disposal of Residuals from the South Sedimentation Basin  
Providence Water  
Bids Received: August 15, 2023

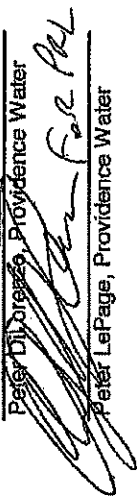
Synagro Northeast, LLC 435 Williams Court, Suite 100 Baltimore, MD 21220			J.F. Brennan Company, Inc. 818 Bainbridge Street La Crosse, WI 54603		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	PRICE
1	Mobilization/Demobilization	LS	1	\$ 165,835.00	\$ 165,835.00
2	Office for Owner and Engineer	LS	1	\$ 860,258.80	\$ 860,258.80
3	Decant of Coagulated Water	CY	6700	\$ 47.50	\$ 318,250.00
4	Removal, Dewatering and Disposal of Residuals	Dry Ton	6000	\$ 861.50	\$ 5,169,000.00
5	Excavation of Unsuitable Material*	CY	1000	\$ 12.00	\$ 12,000.00
6	Experimental Excavation*	CY	1000	\$ 12.00	\$ 12,000.00
7	Installation of 5 Slide Gates	LS	1	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
8	Allowance #1 Unknown Conditions	LS	1	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
9	Allowance #2 Miscellaneous Landscaping	LS	1	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
10	Dewatering Area Site Preparations	LS	1	\$ 148,550.00	\$ 148,550.00
	TOTAL			\$ 7,089,393.80	\$ 7,774,510.00
	MBE UTILIZATION			\$ -	\$ 0.00%
	WBE UTILIZATION			\$ 75,362.24	\$ 1.06%

\*Indeterminate: quantity is assumed for comparison of bids

Approved By:

  
John Cordaro, AECOM

9/19/2023  
Date

  
Peter LePage, Providence Water

10/5/2023  
Date