

## **District School Board of Pasco County**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

RE: State of Florida Contract #914-000-05-R

RESPECT of Florida/Abilities, Inc. of Florida Laser Printer Cost Per Print/Maintenance

On August 19, 2008 official action was taken to renew the above-referenced agreement with RESPECT of Florida (subcontractor: Axon Technologies) for the laser printer cost per print/maintenance program. The second year of the contract will expire on August 31, 2009.

The State of Florida and RESPECT of Florida, have renewed contract #914-000-05-R through July 6, 2010. RESPECT of Florida is a non-profit agency that provides employment opportunities and training to Florida residents with disabilities in accordance with Florida Statutes 413.036. This program is exempt from the competitive solicitation process and has been endorsed by Governor Crist.

Recently, RESPECT of Florida has deemed it necessary to re-assign the services provided by the subcontractor, Axon Technologies, to Abilities, Inc. of Florida, after non-compliance issues were discovered. As outlined in the attached proposal from RESPECT and Abilities, Inc. of Florida, this re-assignment will correct the compliance deficiencies and will also improve the volume of employment and training available for individuals with disabilities. The new subcontractor will be utilizing the District's existing technicians as their supervision has been transitioned to the new subcontractor. All prices, terms, and conditions will remain the same. The unit cost will continue to be \$.008990. The estimated total of this contract is estimated to be \$272,000. However, actual costs will be determined based upon usage by the schools and departments.

At this time, it is the recommendation of the Information Services and Purchasing Departments to enter into the third year of this agreement with RESPECT of Florida. This contract will cover the period of September 1, 2009 through July 6, 2010. Should you have any questions regarding the cost per print/maintenance program, please contact Bruce Baldwin. Should you have any purchasing-related questions, please contact me.

Attachments