

**Marion County
Board of County Commissioners**

Procurement Services

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BSS:

PCA: JF 7/25/24

SS Advertised:

BCC: 8/16/24

SOLICITATION WAIVER

24ST-291

This form is for requesting an exemption to a quote, bid, RFP or RFQ. If under \$50,000 will require County Administrator approval and if over \$50,000 the request will need BCC approval.

Date: 7/17/2024

Request Type:

- Bid Exemption
- Standardization of Product/Brand
- Sole Source Provider of Good/Service
- Piggyback Agency _____

Purchase is a 1 time or recurring purchase with this year's total expenditure estimated at \$69,918

Reason This
Cannot Be Bid
By MCBCC:

Total expenditures for 2023/2024 to complete stations 12 and 21 comes to \$69,918. We plan to continue to resurface bay floors in 2024/2025, and have a combined budgetted amount of \$300,000 to complete bathroom remodels and bay floor resurfacing. The goal is to complete between 2-4 bay floors/fiscal year with these funds. Dinkins Construction will be sub-contracting Armor Tuff Tiles to complete EMS Central in fiscal year 2023/2024. Ultimately MCFR would like to standardize our bay floor surfacing/resurfacing with the Armor Tuff Tiles, which will provide a Lifetime warranty guaranteed for 25 years with professional installation by the manufacturer.

See attached for more information

Project Manager
Signature: _____

Director
Signature: [Signature] 7/18/24

***Procurement Use Only**

The following request is in accordance with the Procurement Manual, and meets the requirements to complete the exemption request and DOES DOES NOT require Board Approval.

PCA: [Signature]

Procurement
Director: [Signature] 7-24-24

Do not sign below without prior signatures from Procurement Services above.

Chair

Please Select One

Signature

Armor Tuff Tiles Solicitation Waiver

Currently during the construction of EMS Central, Dinkins Construction is utilizing Armor Tuff Tiles for the surface of the bay floor. Historically these bays have been completed utilizing epoxy with aggregate to coat the bay floor. Over time the epoxy wears down, and some common problems MCFR has experienced would include bubbling, cracking and peeling of the epoxy flooring. With some epoxy coated bays, such as Rolling Greens station 28, we have experienced a slick floor due to the aggregate composition that may lead to slip and fall injury when moisture or water is on the bay floor. For EMS Central, Armor Tuff Tiles will provide a consistent bay floor surface made of 20.5 x 20.5 square inch tiles that interlock, forming a tight seal so as not to have any leeching of liquid through the joints. Armor Tuff Tiles offer excellent resistance to impact, moisture, and abrasion. This is an ultra-high-performance PVC polymer industrial-grade interlocking floor tile that does not crack. When exposed to extreme heat or cold, the flooring keeps its shape, providing a protective surface. Their products are manufactured in the USA and Armor Tuff provides professional installation services that come with a lifetime warranty. Utilization of this product in Florida can be seen in Parkland and Coral Springs Fire Department. The satisfaction over the last several years with this product lead to application of Armor Tuff in the updating of the Coral Springs Fire Academy for both apparatus bay floors and interior offices of Administration according to Coral Springs Deputy Chief. We believe this product will not only benefit MCFR, but may be considered as an application to other departments county wide to provide a protective flooring, and save cost in comparison to epoxy over time.

Key points for consideration:

1. Installations usually in one day, with the ability to utilize the bay floor within 24 hours. Epoxy can be 1-2 application, but must not be utilized with apparatus for 5-7 days.
2. Lifetime Warranty (25 year), as long as it is professionally installed by the manufacturer. Epoxy flooring does not offer this type of flooring warranty.
3. Station/County pride. When provided high quality pdf artwork, Armor Tuff will install the logo on a section of the tiling.
4. Current bay floor does not require any preparation/repairs prior to installation, with the exception of cleaning of the bay floor so it is debris free, and use of degreaser in any areas that have grease or oil residue. Armor tuff will utilize their equipment to scuff the surface of the bay floor to ensure adhesive binds to the flooring and tile.

RE: Standardization Request Approval

Bates, Mike <Mike.Bates@marionfl.org>

Wed 7/24/2024 12:25 PM

To: Figman, Jennifer <Jennifer.Figman@marionfl.org>

Cc: Goodspeed, Jared <Jared.Goodspeed@marionfl.org>; Shoemaker, Jodi <Jodi.Shoemaker@marionfl.org>

Great, thank you so much!

Mike Bates

Assistant Director

Facilities Management

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From: Figman, Jennifer <Jennifer.Figman@marionfl.org>

Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:45 AM

To: Bates, Mike <Mike.Bates@marionfl.org>

Cc: Goodspeed, Jared <Jared.Goodspeed@marionfl.org>; Shoemaker, Jodi <Jodi.Shoemaker@marionfl.org>

Subject: RE: Standardization Request Approval

Mike,

Thank you for approval to process the request. I will notify you when it is approved by the Board.

Thank you

Jennifer Figman

Procurement & Contract Analyst

Procurement Services

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From: Bates, Mike <Mike.Bates@marionfl.org>

Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:18 AM

To: Figman, Jennifer <Jennifer.Figman@marionfl.org>

Cc: Goodspeed, Jared <Jared.Goodspeed@marionfl.org>; Shoemaker, Jodi <Jodi.Shoemaker@marionfl.org>

Subject: RE: Standardization Request Approval

Jennifer,

Facilities will be managing these installations moving forward. While this product is new to Marion County it has received excellent recommendations from other counties.

Thank you,

Mike Bates

Assistant Director

Facilities Management

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From: Figman, Jennifer <Jennifer.Figman@marionfl.org>

Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 10:32 AM

To: Bates, Mike <Mike.Bates@marionfl.org>

Cc: Goodspeed, Jared <Jared.Goodspeed@marionfl.org>; Shoemaker, Jodi <Jodi.Shoemaker@marionfl.org>

Subject: Standardization Request Approval

Good morning Mike,

I know you have been in communication with Becky regarding the request we received from Fire to standardize the Armor Tuff Tiles, please see attached request.

Before I can move forward with this request, I need approval to process this request, with Facilities being involved in the process once approved by the Board.

Please advise.

Thank you,

Jennifer Figman

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