



DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING AND CONTRACTS

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DATE: June 2, 2025

TO: Joseph Goulart, Purchasing Agent II

FROM: Scott Harper, Solid Waste Services Manager 

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award Bid No. 25-T00998/JG
Project Name: Pick up, Processing and Disposal of Waste Tires

The attached bid received from Friends Recycling, LLC for the above referenced project/solicitation is submitted for your review, evaluation, and award recommendation. In accordance with the Hernando County Ordinance No. 93.16, Section 2-105 (6) and Purchasing and Contracts Department Policies and Procedures Manual, Procedure No. 130F, Paragraph 3. (D), Policy 140I, Paragraph 2(H), please complete items 2 through 6 and return this award recommendation form with your technical evaluation attached, approved by your department director/manager.

1. Total Contract Bid Price is: \$40,365.00 per year

2. Reference checks are satisfactory: X ☐ YES ☐ NO

If no, provide an explanation using the space provided below and/or attached to this form.

3. Recommend award as responsive and responsible bidder X ☐ YES ☐ NO

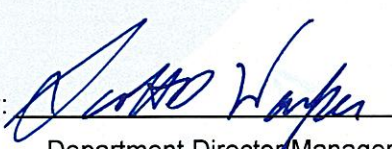
If no, provide a detailed explanation using the space provided below and/or attached to this form.

4. Request Next Bidder? ☐ YES X ☐ NO

5. Provide a statement that addresses the reason(s) for your recommendation or rejection. Include your basis for determining that pricing is fair and reasonable and that the Bidder has the ability and resources to perform in accordance with the bid terms, conditions and scope.

___ Compared to previous contracts pricing is fair and reasonable.

6. Provide the funding information: Fund 4411 Dept 07607 Account 5303416

Recommendation Approved By: 

Department Director/Manager

Date: 6/2/2025

Enclosure

TECHNICAL EVALUATION FOR BID AWARD

ITB# 25-T00998/JG

Pick up, Processing and Disposal of Waste Tires

This document has been developed to facilitate your evaluation. Your evaluation should be limited to the attached. **Purchasing will ensure that all documents required by the solicitation are contained for evaluation.** This documentation will be included with the bid submitted for evaluation. Bids that are determined non-responsive by the Purchasing Division will not be submitted to you for evaluation. Please note that you should focus your attention on the areas contained within this document. Your evaluation will be a major consideration as to the responsiveness and/or responsibility of a bidder.

- A. Is the amount of the bid reasonable and realistic for the services to be performed or the item or equipment to be purchased?

Yes

If the bid is considered reasonable/realistic, provide justification for your conclusion. *Previous contracts were compared*

If you consider the bid to be unreasonable and/or unrealistic, please explain in detail.

- B. Was an independent County estimate developed prior to soliciting for the procurement? *NO*

If affirmative, submit this estimate with your evaluation in the same format as the bid schedule and describe the extent the estimate was used in the analysis of the bid.

- C. Do the resources (manpower, equipment, supplies, etc.) proposed by the bidder meet the minimum requirements, if any, established by the solicitation?

Yes

If minimums were not identified in the solicitation, you may request information on proposed resources from the bidder **through Purchasing.**

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When specific types and quantities of equipment are required to meet minimum standards, the bidder may address this requirement by providing purchasing with a pro-forma invoice with confirmation from a bank or lending institution to the effect that they are prepared to finance the lease or purchase of equipment necessary to perform the services if the bidder is awarded the contract.

- D. Does the bidder have a satisfactory record of performance?

yes

At a minimum, the bidder's record on previous county contracts must be considered and an attempt must be made to contact all references. The reference form attached is to be used for your documentation of your reference check. If references cannot be contacted, the Department shall contact Purchasing for additional references. Purchasing shall request from the bidder in writing of this fact and inform that the reference must contact the project person within two business days or it will negatively impact the evaluation the bid.

- E. Provide your overall recommendation on the Recommendation for Award Form.

Recommend Award

Note: At no time will the user/project person/bid evaluator discuss responsiveness, responsibility or withdrawal from the bidding process with any bidder. Moreover, it is strictly prohibited for any County representative involved in the bidding process to attempt to negotiate bids, influence or otherwise impact the business decisions of a bidder.

REFERENCE CHECK

BID #: 25-T00998/JG

BID TITLE: Pick up, Processing and Disposal of Waste Tires

RESPONDENT: Friends Recycling, LLC _____

REFERENCE (Company or Person): Marion County Mark Johnson _____

PHONE #: 352-671-8465 _____ PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: Jamie Davis, Administrative Manager, Mark Johnson, Director and Kassi Pederson, Fiscal Manager

1. Describe the work contracted by your firm/company.
 - Waste Tire Transport & Disposal
2. Was the work completed on time?
 - Yes
3. Were you satisfied with the final results?
 - Yes
4. Did you implement their recommendations?
 - We followed the specifications outlined in the contract
5. Did you encounter any problems?
 - No. Only notable remark is they couldn't accept Large tires; such as Semi tires from us.
6. How would you rate the company on a scale of 1 to 5 (low to high) on the following:

Professionalism	_____ 5 _____
Qualifications	_____ 5 _____
Final Product	_____ 5 _____
Cooperation	_____ 5 _____
Reliability	_____ 5 _____

7. Would you contract with this company again?

Yes ☒ No _____ Maybe _____

Reference checked by: Jamie Davis / Jamie Davis Date: 6/2/25
Please Print and Sign

Company Name and Title if not completed by Hernando County Personnel Jamie Davis, Administrative Manager, Marion County Solid Waste.
DUSTY WATKINS

REFERENCE CHECK

BID #: 25-T00998/JG

BID TITLE: Pick up, Processing and Disposal of Waste Tires

RESPONDENT: Friends Recycling, LLC _____

REFERENCE (Company or Person): Advanced Tire Ocala Jeff Guinn David

PHONE #: 352-236-8825 _____ PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: Terry

1. Describe the work contracted by your firm/company.

Pick up and disposal of Scrap Tires

2. Was the work completed on time?

Yes

3. Were you satisfied with the final results?

Yes

4. Did you implement their recommendations?

Yes

5. Did you encounter any problems?

No

6. How would you rate the company on a scale of 1 to 5 (low to high) on the following:

Professionalism

5

Qualifications

5

Final Product

5

Cooperation

5

Reliability

5

7. Would you contract with this company again?

Yes

X

No

Maybe

Reference checked by:
Please Print and Sign

Loren Luciano
Loren Luciano

Date:

5/27/25

Company Name and Title if not completed by Hernando County Personnel

Scott Harper

REFERENCE CHECK

BID #: 25-T00998/JG

BID TITLE: Pick up, Processing and Disposal of Waste Tires

RESPONDENT: Friends Recycling, LLC _____

REFERENCE (Company or Person): PO Boys Tire Ocala Mickey Fletcher _____

PHONE #: 352-622-1997 _____ PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: Joseph Jacobs

1. Describe the work contracted by your firm/company.

We bring tires to them for recycling.

2. Was the work completed on time?

Yes everyone is great there

3. Were you satisfied with the final results?

Yes

4. Did you implement their recommendations?

N/A

5. Did you encounter any problems?

Never, Always good working with all of them.

6. How would you rate the company on a scale of 1 to 5 (low to high) on the following:

Professionalism	<u>5</u>
Qualifications	<u>5</u>
Final Product	<u>5</u>
Cooperation	<u>5</u>
Reliability	<u>5</u>

7. Would you contract with this company again?

Yes 5 Satisfied with Them No _____ Maybe _____

Reference checked by: Tina M. Cash Date: 5/28/2025

Please Print and Sign

[Signature]
Company Name and Title if not completed by Hernando County Personnel _____