



## PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT

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**DATE:** December 1, 2025  
**TO:** Alisa Pike,  
Procurement Manager Special Projects & Vendor Relations  
**FROM:** Brad Smith  
Capital Program Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation for Award Bid No 25-RFQ00955/AP  
Project Name: Engineering Services for Improvements to Gretna and Hexam Water Treatment Systems

The attached bid(s) received from McKim & Creed, Inc. for the above referenced project/solicitation is submitted as recommendation for award.

Items 1 through 5 below have been completed. See attached for technical evaluation and reference checks.

Total Contract Bid Price for this award is: \$2,944,448.80

1. Reference checks are satisfactory: ☒ YES ☐ NO  
If no, provide an explanation using the space provided below and/or attached to this form.
2. Recommend award as responsive and responsible bidder ☒ YES ☐ NO  
If no, provide a detailed explanation using the space provided below and/or attached to this form.
3. Request Next Bidder? ☐ YES ☒ NO
4. 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.

\_\_\_\_\_ McKim & Creed has been working with HCUD for over 2 decades and provides great project services in the water and sewer industry. McKim & Creed staff are always there when you need a question answered and make sure that it is answered with all bases covered. McKim & Creed is currently contracted on multiple task orders with HCUD ranging from water treatment plants with wells to large pipeline projects. The pricing when compared to these projects and scaled up due to the larger complexity is reasonable. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Provide the funding information: Fund 4144 Dept 07244 Account 5626303

**Brad  
Smith**

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by Brad Smith  
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Recommendation Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Director/Manager

Enclosure(s) See attached

## REFERENCE CHECK

**BID #:** No 25-RFQ00955/AP

**BID TITLE:** Engineering Services for Improvements to  
Gretna and Hexam Water Treatment Systems

RESPONDENT: City of Sarasota

REFERENCE (Company or Person): WSP USA Inc.

PHONE #: 941-263-6187 PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: Verne Hall

1. Describe the work contracted by your firm/company. WSP has provided hydrogeological services to the City of Sarasota for many years. These services include permit renewals/MIT testing for the DIW, annual reports for all raw water wellfields, investigations into customers concerns, and coordination with state regulatory agencies.
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: Jared Bedingfield

Date: 11/21/2025

## REFERENCE CHECK

**BID #:** No 25-RFQ00955/AP

**BID TITLE:** Engineering Services for Improvements to  
Gretna and Hexam Water Treatment Systems

RESPONDENT: City of DeLand

REFERENCE (Company or Person): Mead & Hunt

PHONE #: 386-626-7250\_\_\_\_

PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: James Ailes\_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe the work contracted by your firm/company. They have done numerous jobs over the years from WWTP expansion or upgrades, lift station upgrades, well field management, water plant and wells, numerous reclaim pump stations and subdivision retrofits, river pump stations, and Wastewater, Reclaim Master Plans.
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? Minor with contractors on a few projects.
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: Jared Bedingfield

Date: 11/24/25

## **REFERENCE CHECK**

**BID #:** No 25-RFQ00955/AP

**BID TITLE:** Engineering Services for Improvements to  
Gretna and Hexam Water Treatment Systems

**RESPONDENT:** Pinellas County, Florida

**REFERENCE (Company or Person):** McKim & Creed

**PHONE #:** 727-542-3723      **PERSON YOU SPOKE TO:** Dennis M Simpson, PE

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

McKim & Creed have done many designed projects for Pinellas County Utilities over the last 40 years I have been with Pinellas County

Presently, they designed a 2780-16" Subaqueous water main crossing between Pass-A-Grille (St Pete Beach) and Tierra Verde and the construction is scheduled to starts in February 2026. They are designing the Pinellas Park Interceptor Collection System project. This project involves the upgrade of the largest Pinellas Parks life station and the replacement of a mile of the City's 24" force main. Also, the design of a new 15,000'-24" force main from the end of the City's new 24" force main to the County's Water Reclamation Facility and the lining of about 10,000 feet of the County's 42" gravity sewer interceptor. McKim & Creed designed 2 water quality projects in Pass-A-Grille that were recently constructed successfully.

2. Was the work completed on time?

Yes, their projects were completed on time.

3. Were you satisfied with the final results?

Yes, the County has been satisfied with the final project results.

4. Did you implement their recommendations?

Yes, County has implemented many of their recommendations over many years.

5. Did you encounter any problems?

Yes, some minor issues but the problems were quickly resulted.

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: Jared Bedingfield      Date: 11/21/2025

## REFERENCE CHECK

**BID #: No 25-RFQ00955/AP**

**BID TITLE: Engineering Services for Improvements to  
Gretna and Hexam Water Treatment Systems**

RESPONDENT: Town of Belleair

REFERENCE (Company or Person): McKim & Creed

PHONE #: 727.442.7196 PERSON YOU SPOKE TO: Gay Lancaster (Town Manager)

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

Engineers on record – handle most things water related

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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