

Special Procurement to Union Lasteel Written Determination

Special Procurement to Union Lasteel, in the amount of \$94,546.00, for the complete removal of the existing 50' x 175' Steel Pole Barn at the Alachua County Fair Grounds and re-erect at the new Alachua County Ag & Equestrian Center in Newberry. The county is using procurement code 22.3-205 Special Procurement. Special procurements may be initiated without competition, when it is determined that an unusual or unique situation exists that makes the application of Competitive Sealed Bidding not financially or operationally advantageous, or not in the County's best interest. Any special Procurement under this Section shall be made with such competition as is practicable under the circumstances. A written determination of the basis for the Procurement and for the selection of the particular Contractor Shall be included in the Solicitation file.

The BOCC recommended that we work with the Youth Fair to move the Pole Barn to its new location once they received the CM at Risk, AJAX Construction's estimated cost of 466K. The Board directed staff to work with the Youth fair since there would be a substantial saving. Ajax estimated cost included utilities and underground work, and for just the removal and re-location of the Pole Barn estimated between 210k- 240k. Ajax, communicated with Alachua County Procurement that they received estimates that they used to determine those cost. One of the unique situations is that an agreement between Union Lasteel and Ajax could not be reached, thus requiring the county to work directly with Union Lasteel. Also the Pole Barn has to be removed from its current location before 10/1/2020 because the county is using the property for other needs, and the time frame to move the building and relocate it is estimated at one (1) month, with a three (3) month lead time for permits and scheduling. Union Lasteel was the original Vendor that installed the Pole Barn at the Alachua County Fairgrounds.