LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Renewal of Disaster Related Debris Removal Contracts

DATE OF MEETING: October 25, 2022

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: None
FUNDING SOURCE:

() Annual
() Capital
(X) N/A
() SPLOST

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COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Renewal of Disaster Related Debris Contracts

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: On November 10, 2020, the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners entered into no-cost, pre-event agreements with three (3) qualified contractors to provide disaster related debris removal services, if requested by Lowndes County. These agreements allow Lowndes County to secure better pre-event pricing and position themselves to execute an agreement for services following a disaster more quickly. The intent is to expedite the recovery process and the execution of these types of pre-event contracts is recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as part of a comprehensive debris removal plan, and is considered best practice within the Emergency Management community.

The original agreements were for a period of one (1) year, with the option to renew for up to four (4) additional years. At the December 14, 2021 meeting, the Board of Commissioners exercised their option to renew the agreements for an additional year. Renewal for an additional year would extend the agreements through November 9, 2023 and Lowndes County would have the option for two (2) additional renewal terms available under the current agreements.

Currently, Ashbritt, Inc. is the primary contractor and would be notified first. Crowder Gulf, LLC is the secondary contractor and Southern Disaster Recovery, LLC is the tertiary contractor.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve renewal of disaster related debris contracts for an additional one-year term.

2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>: Emergency Management <u>DEPARTMENT HEAD</u>: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: