

Agenda Item Request Form

ITEM: Consideration to approve a sole source purchase for two industrial cranes that will support Eastern Shipbuilding efforts associated with the Triumph Gulf Coast Grant. The two cranes will be purchased from Ace Industries and be a permanent part of the Aluminum Fabrication Building project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City of Panama City entered into a Grant Award Agreement with Triumph Gulf Coast Inc and Eastern Shipbuilding Group on August 1st, 2019. The grant award is to provide funding for the infrastructure improvements including platens, dredging, bulkhead installation, launch ways, equipment and warehouse facilities on the easement owned by the City. All costs associated with this agreement contracts are 100% reimbursable from Triumph and ESG.

ESG has purchased 8 cranes from Ace Industries between 1996 and 2018. ESG has standardized the overhead cranes at its facilities to streamline the process for testing and for parts and maintenance. ESG had 2 additional Ace overhead cranes that were in a building which was destroyed during Hurricane Michael and the cranes were condemned. The two cranes for consideration will replace the destroyed cranes and maintain the standardization of the equipment. Additionally, the cranes are needed to assist the contractor in the process of building the Aluminum Fabrication Building.

Triumph/ESG have provided approval for the sole source purchase of the cranes.

Aluminum Fabrication Building - Ace Industries (Cranes) - \$1,005,214.45

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval for the purchase of the cranes and the awarding of the construction contract.

Budgeted? How Much budgeted? If more, where do you suggest funds come from? Cost Center Affected: Personnel \$ Click here to enter text. Operating \$ Click here to enter text. Capital \$ Revenue \$ Click here to enter text. Date: 01/04/2021