

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**  
**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**March 19, 2025**

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**Agenda Item:**

Eco-Historic Planning Study Request for Proposal (RFP) 100225

Concur with and approve the ranking of firms for RFP 100225 Eco-Historic Planning Study

Authorize the Village staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked firm which will return and be approved by Council at a later date.

**Background:**

The Village sought and was awarded a CDBG-DR grant for \$450,000 in 2024 to perform an Eco-Historic Planning Study. The Planning Study and Master Plan will cover approximately 750-acre/1.12-square mile area that includes properties along US 41 from south of Estero Parkway to South of Williams Road, (“Study Area”) including the Koreshan State Park and Village’s Property along the Estero River. This area of the Village developed decades ahead of the rest of the Village. Unlike other areas within the Village that have benefitted from detailed master planning and integrated development plans, the Study Area has remained largely underdeveloped, lacking a cohesive plan and the necessary infrastructure and services critical for development. Qualified candidates will be experienced in land planning to prepare a Planning Study and Master Plan for this area.

**Description:**

A Request for Proposals was issued publicly on 12/16/2024 for an Eco-Historic Planning Study to be conducted for the Village and proposals were received from:

- Ayres Associates
- Land Design, Inc.
- The Corradino Group

The Evaluation Committee selected all three firms for finalist interviews in an evaluation meeting held on 2/11/2025.

Prior to finalist interviews, Ayres Associates withdrew their proposal and asked to be removed from consideration. After finalists' interviews were conducted, the Evaluation Committee determined Land Design, Inc. to be the top ranked firm.

**Action Requested:**

Concur with and approve the rankings of firms for RFP 100225 Eco-Historic Planning Study

Authorize the Village staff to negotiate an agreement with the top ranked firm which will return and be approved by Council at a later date.

**Process and Timeline:**

When completed, a finalized agreement will be brought to Council for approval.

**Financial Impact:**

There is no financial impact from this action.

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**Attachments:**

1. Evaluation Ranking
2. Land Design, Inc. Interview Presentation