# **Bond Counsel Services**

□ ACTION ITEM		□ CONSENT ITEM			
New Contract     ■ New		☐ Contract Amendment			
☐ Contract Amendment		☐ Existing Contract Extension			
□ Other		☐ Existing Contract Additional Spend			
		☐ Previous Board Approval			
		□ Other			
Action Items: Items requiring detailed explanation to the Board. When a requested action item is a day-to-day operational item or unanimously passed through committee it may be moved forward to the board on the Consent Index.  Move forward as Consent: This Action item is a day-to-day operational item, unanimously passed through committee or qualifies to be moved forward on the Consent Index.  Consent Items: Items not requiring detailed explanation to the Board of Governors. Consent items are contract extensions, amendments or additional spending authorities for items previously approved by the Board.					
Item Description	em Description Bond Counsel Services				
Purpose/Scope	Counsel Services. This pan of pre-event or post-event banking transactions, into	d approval to contract with multiple law firms for future Bond el of Vendors will be in place to assist Citizens with a variety bond issuances, capital market transactions, commercial ernational transactions, and other structured financial especialists, if needed, to ensure that sufficient funds are on times.			
	Florida Statutes, to secure	izens is authorized by Section 627.351(6)(q), Section 125.013, and Section 166.101, orida Statutes, to secure bonds for specific purposes including ensuring that it has ficient funds on hand to pay catastrophe claims.			
	Citizens' staff, financial a Financing Team will help to	operatively with Citizens' Financing Team, which includes dvisor, underwriting team, and banking syndicate. The design and execute financial strategies and structures that d that are in compliance with applicable federal and state regulations.			
Contract ID	Bond Counsel Services				
	Contract number, as assign	ed, if approved			
		approval: Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., Greenberg Boggs (US) LLP, and Bryant Miller Oliver P.A.			

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**Budgeted Item** 

⊠Yes

□No

## Procurement Method

Request for Proposal (RFP) #21-0021. After review and scoring, the Evaluation Team determined that the four recommended vendors (Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, and Bryant Miller Oliver P.A.) were most advantageous and in the best interest of Citizens, pursuant to Section 287.057(1)(b), F.S.

#### **Contract Amount**

Fees for Bond Counsel services are contingent upon a bond transaction closing successfully and are based upon the actual amount of debt issued. For a successful closing the following maximum tiered fee cap formulas are utilized to compute.

Bond Counsel Fee (Per Offering)		Nabors	Greenberg	вмо	Squire
Bond Tier		Per \$1,000	Per \$1,000	Per \$1,000	Per \$1,000
\$0 -	\$500,000,000	\$0.30000	\$0.21060	\$0.25000	\$0.25000
to	\$1,000,000,000	\$0.20000	\$0.17820	\$0.21000	\$0.20000
to	\$1,500,000,000		\$0.09950	\$0.17000	\$0.15000
to	\$2,000,000,000		\$0.10530	\$0.17000	\$0.10000
to	\$2,500,000,000		\$0.05270	\$0.16000	\$0.10000
to	\$3,000,000,000		\$0.05270	\$0.16000	
to	\$4,000,000,000		\$0.02640	\$0.15000	

<sup>\*</sup> Nabors and Squire fees capped at \$250,000 and \$400,000 respectively

Additionally, fees related to a Financial Transaction not based upon the amount of debt issued will be billed on an agreed upon hourly rate as shown below:

Rates for Ancillary Services	Nabors	Greenberg	вмо	Squire
Blended Rate	Per Hour	Per Hour	Per Hour	Per Hour
Partner	\$300.00	\$400.00	\$350.00	\$500.00
Associate	\$200.00	\$325.00	\$250.00	\$275.00

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	Ancillary Services Discount (If Firm is paid bond/disclosure counsel fees in excess of \$200,000 in any one year / during the term of the contract)					
		Nabors	Greenberg	вмо	Squire	
	% discount off the Partner rates quoted in Section 3 after the first 40 hours.	0.00%	The first 25 hours will not be billed.	20.00%	10.00%	
	% discount off the Associate rates quoted in Section 3 after the first 40 hours.	0.00%	The first 25 hours will not be billed.	20.00%	10.00%	
Contract Terms	The proposed contracts are for a renewal option.	a five (5) ye	ear base term	with one (	(1), two (2)	year
Board Recommendation (DOES NOT go through Committee)	Citizens' Staff proposes that the Board of Governors:  a) Authorize Citizens to contract with Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., Greenberg Traurig, P.A., Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, and Bryant Miller Oliver P.A. for Bond Counsel services with an initial term of five (5) years, and for one (1), two (2) year renewal option for the fees, as set forth in this Action Item; and  b) Authorize staff to take any appropriate or necessary action consistent with this Action Item.					
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