



CITY OF ORLANDO

MEMORANDUM

Date: 6/16/2015

To: Roger Cooper, Procurement and Contracts, Contract Administrator

From: Robert Ellis, Project Coordinator
Fleet and Facilities

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Subject: Dover Shores Gymnasium Floor

After reviewing the bids with FPR and Facilities Management staff, we make the recommendation to award the contract for the Dover Shores Community Center to Trident Surfacing Inc. for the original bid in the amount of \$134,500.00 for the following reasons.

- Although SSE & Associates, Inc.'s bid was lower at \$111,900.00, the product bid was not a comparable product to the product specified;
- The product specified, the Uniforce flooring system or approved equal, has continuous padding under the maple floor boards that are in contact with the floor boards when the floor is in use, helping to support and cushion the floor. This prevents voids or "dead" spots that other floors have. The other flooring system that was bid have thin strips of padding between the concrete slab and the nailer strips with nothing under the maple surface boards, creating voids. The span of flooring between the nailer strips can eventually degrade, creating dead spots where a ball does not bounce properly;
- The Uniforce flooring system, or an approved equal, is dedicated athletic flooring. The other bid is for general multipurpose wood flooring for use in exhibit halls as well as gyms.
- The Uniforce, or an approved equal, is better for athletes' knees and feet because of the better cushioning;
- The Uniforce system has been in use for approximately 15 years. It is not a new or experimental product and has a proven track record with many satisfied clients.

Feel free to contact me if additional information is required.

CC: Rodney Williams, Recreation Division Manager

Taryn Rutkovitz, Acting District Manager, Dustin Wheeler, Center Manager