



NOTICE

TO: Everardo Villarreal, Precinct 3 Commissioner

FROM: Amanda Martinez, Contract Specialist II

DATE: March 12, 2026

RE: RFB No. 26-0022-03-11-07

We're pleased to inform you that the Purchasing Department has received two (2) **responses** to the above-mentioned project. Please log on to OpenGov to conduct your review, evaluation, and recommendation.

We intend to present your recommendation at the next available Commissioners' Court meeting for approval. Therefore, we request your response **no later than Monday, March 16, 2026 by 1:00 p.m.**

Please indicate your recommendation or any concerns on the space provided below and reply to the Purchasing Department via email to: amanda.martinez1@co.hidalgo.tx.us

APPROVE.

Recommendation to award: _____

Juan J. Garza

see attachment

DISAPPROVE and/or REJECT BIDS/RE-ADVERTISE

Explanation: _____

Please include the account number(s) for the above reference project.

Account No.: _____

<i>Jorge Arcaute</i>	<i>Juelit</i>	<i>Precinct 3</i>	<i>3-13-26</i>
Name	Signature	Department	Date

Should you have any questions or require further information please do not hesitate to call me at 318-2626, ext. 4865. Thank you for your attention and cooperation to this matter.

CC: Olga Garza, Goods & Services Division Manager, Contracts Management

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Jorge Arcaute <jorge.arcaute@co.hidalgo.tx.us>

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Jorge Arcaute <jorge.arcaute@co.hidalgo.tx.us>
To: Amanda Martinez <amanda.martinez1@co.hidalgo.tx.us>
Cc: Olga Garza <olga.garza@co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Fri, Mar 13, 2026 at 11:24 AM

Good morning Amanda. You will shortly receive our recommendation on the Land Lease for Solid Waste Collection site in the Sullivan City Area under separate cover.

We typically recommend the less expensive proposals and bids, but we must recommend in a different direction for this procurement. There are many factors that we considered in making this recommendation.

Recall that we have had very recent experience with a collections site in this area. Our experience there gives us pause to use a site south of Expressway 83 in Sullivan City. The great majority of the area's population resides north of the Expressway. This caused our use of the site we closed to be quite minimal. Furthermore, the isolation of the area made illegal dumping in and around that site frequent and harmful.

The 5125 site is next door to, and south of, an elementary school campus. The prevailing winds would push dust and debris in the direction of the school. Our cursory check of the site, moreover, indicates that there are no utilities developed for the property.

Another factor is that the 5125 site, while on county territory, is only accessible on a city thoroughfare (El Faro Road.) A couple of years ago we had a bad experience with the city of Penitas (and the passage of a truck route ordinance) which made access to our site there legally impossible.

If we also factor in the re-location costs, and the confusion we might cause area residents with a move to a different site, the "savings" from the lower priced proposal disappear.

For these reasons we are recommending the Garza proposal. Please let us know if you require any further information.

J Arcaute