interpretation of: 1) Sections 624.10, 624.11, 624.401, 624.402, 626.8805, 626.901, 626.918, 626.112(5), 626.7451, and 626.7455 Florida Statutes; 2) Consent Orders issued in Office of Insurance Regulation case 75751-04; 3) and a March 7, 2006 Notice of Denial issued to a certain license applicant. The Petitioner specifically asks the Division of Legal Services: 1) to confirm that the sale, administration, and underwriting of insurance to the Petitioner as described in his petition by the parties Petitioner identifies was unauthorized; 2) to confirm that the sale, administration, and underwriting of an unauthorized insurance policy to the Petitioner in Florida as described in his petition by the parties Petitioner identifies were criminal acts and insurance fraud as contemplated by the Florida Insurance Code; 3) to confirm that other acts of transacting insurance in Florida since 2003 to September 11, 2006, by the parties Petitioner identifies were unauthorized and unlawful and in violation of the Florida Insurance Code.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by request from: Michael T. Ruff, Senior Attorney, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0340.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Financial Services has issued an order disposing of the petition for declaratory statement filed by the Coral Gables Fire Department, Fire Prevention Division. The Petition requests guidance regarding the extinguishment requirements for a high rise mixed occupancy condominium building. The Declaratory Statement finds that the Petitioner is a substantially affected person, and that Chapter 633, Florida Statutes, and rules promulgated pursuant thereto, require the building to be fully sprinklered throughout. The Declaratory Statement declines to make findings on the meaning of provisions in Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, over which it has no jurisdiction.

A copy of the order may be obtained from: Lesley Mendelson, Attorney, Division of State Fire Marshal, 200 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0340, (850)413-3604, or you may fax your request to (850)922-1235. An unsigned by exact copy of the order is also available on the Division of State Fire Marshal website which may be accessed at: http://www.fldfs.com/SFM/sfmdeclaratory summaries.htm.

Section VIII Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination have been filed by the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

INVITATION TO BID

The Florida State University Facilities Purchasing shall receive sealed bids until the dates and times shown for the following projects. Bids may be brought to the bid opening or sent to:

Florida State University
Facilities Maintenance, Purchasing
114F Mendenhall Building A
Tallahassee, Florida 32306

prior to bid opening. Bidder must reference bid number, opening date and time on outside of bid package to insure proper acceptance. Bids submitted by facsimile are not acceptable. For information relating to the Invitation(s) to Bid, contact the

Bid Number FAC96-06

Purchasing Agent: B. J. Lewis, Facilities
MANDATORY PRE BID: October 17, 2006, 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Foyer between Kuersteiner &

Housewright

Off of Copeland Street

Public Bid Opening: November 1, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.

FSU-Facilities Maintenance 116 Mendenhall Hall, Building A Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4150 Facilities Maintenance Purchasing Bid Documents: The prequalification package may be obtained from: Architect's office, 211 John Knox Road, Suite 105, Tallahassee, Florida 32303. The completed prequalification packages are to be returned to the Architect at the time of the Prebid Meeting on October 17, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. Only those contractors who are prequalified will be eligible to bid this project.

NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

Florida State University announces that Professional Services in the discipline of Architecture will be required for the project listed below:

Project No. FS 228

College of Education Building Expansion

Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida

The project consists of constructing an addition of approximately 23,000 gross square feet and the renovation of approximately 11,000 gross square feet for the College of Education in the existing Stone Building. The new addition will allow the Middle and Secondary Education Department to collocate to the Stone Building. The majority of the building renovation is to relocate the Dean's suite into a more visible, consolidated location within the building.

The selected firm will be asked to consider other aspects of the existing building and its current site. One desire is that a clearly defined entrance be designed into the building, possibly one that could also serve as a "gathering space" for students and faculty to congregate. The addition and the existing building should be integrated with wireless technology and be flexible to adapt to future technologies. The existing site features, parking and landscaping should appear as a cohesive, well designed site upon completion of this project.

The architectural firm will be required to provide design, construction documents and construction administration for the referenced project, which is currently budgeted at \$7,800,000 for construction. The project delivery system will be by construction management. Blanket professional liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of \$1,000,000 and must be provided as a part of Basic Services.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Firms desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a letter of application.

The letter of application must have attached:

- A completed Florida State University "Professional Qualifications Supplement", dated August, 2003.
 Applications on any other form, or on versions dated prior to August 2003, will not be considered.
- 2. A copy of the applicant's current Professional Registration Certificate from the appropriate governing board. An applicant must be properly registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Submit seven (7) copies of the above requested data bound in the order listed above. Applications which do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Application materials will not be returned.

The plans and specifications for State University System projects are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of \$50,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Professional Qualifications Supplement forms, descriptive project information, and selection criteria may be obtained through our website, www.fpc.fsu.edu, or by contacting: Lynetta Mills, Facilities Design and Construction, 109 Mendenhall, Building A, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306-4152, (850)644-3591 telephone, (850)644-8351 facsimile.

For further information on the project, contact Daryl Ellison, Assistant Director, at the address above or at (850)645-1007. Copies of the Program may be obtained at the Applicant's expense by contacting: Target Copy, 635 W. Tennessee St., Tallahassee, FL, (850)224-3007.

Submittals must be received in the above office, by 2:00 p.m. local time, on Friday October, 27, 2006. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL – ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR CONTINUING CONTRACTS

The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) requests qualifications from Architectural firms to provide basic architectural and engineering services for Continuing Contracts. The firms selected under the Continuing Contracts will be responsible for assigned facility projects having estimated construction costs and study fees not exceeding \$1,000,000 (construction) and \$50,000 (study fees) respectively, as provided for in Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. The contracts will have an initial period of one year with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods. Selection of finalists will be held in accordance with Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

INSTRUCTIONS

Firms interested in being considered for the Continuing Contracts must submit five (5) copies of their application with table of contents and tabbed sections containing the following information:

- 1. Letter of interest detailing the firm's competence in various aspects of architecture, including small projects, remodeling, additions, reroofing, studies, instructional and governmental projects. Include a list of sample projects.
- 2. A current Professional Qualifications Supplement (PQS) Form AE12 completed by the applicant.
- A copy of the firm's current Florida Professional Registration License Renewal.
- 4. For Corporations only: If the firm offering services is a corporation, it must be properly chartered with the Department of State to operate in Florida and must provide a copy of the firm's current Florida Corporate Charter Certificate showing validation date and designation of professionals qualifying the corporation to practice in the disciplines for which it is applying.
- 5. A current, completed SF-254.
- A current, completed SF-255, with resumes of proposed personnel to be assigned.

Submittals must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. local time on Monday, October 30, 2006, and should be mailed or delivered to: Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Attn: Mr. John Connor, Purchasing Director, Stores & Receiving, Building #28, 207 N. San Marco Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32084-2799. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered. Applicants will be short-listed on Monday, November 6, 2006. Informal discussions with the short-listed firms will be conducted on Monday. November 13. 2006. A final selection will be made after the informal discussions have taken place. The selected firms will be given official notice of selection results by FAX and/or mail.

The results of the short-list and final selection will be posted at: FSDB, Purchasing Dept., 207 N. San Marco Ave., Stores & Receiving, Building #28, St. Augustine, FL and may be viewed during regular working days between the hours of 7:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. beginning 24 hours after the selection. Final selection results will also be posted in the F.A.W. Firms must be properly registered at the time of application to practice their profession in the State of Florida. Applications that do not comply with these instructions or those that do not include the requested data may not be considered. All information received will be maintained with the project file and will not be returned. Any protests of the selection must be made within 72 hours of the posting. Failure to file a protest within 72 hours (not including Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday) after posting shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Applicants are advised that plans and specifications for A/E projects may be reused.

NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS **FOR**

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Professional Services Architect/Engineering Services

The Office of Facilities Design and Construction announces that Architect/Engineer services are required for a project entitled New K-8 103rd Street/Westside No. 274 for Duval County Public Schools. The firm selected will be responsible for design, bid review and construction administration of this project having an estimated construction cost of approximately \$30,800,000.00 CONSTRUCTION BUDGET. The project scope shall consist of construction of a new K-8 school on the 103rd Street site under DCSB Project No. C-90470. Project Delivery will either be Construction Manager-At-Risk or competitively bid.

Applications are to be sent to:

Duval County Public Schools Facilities Design and Construction 1701 Prudential Drive – 5th Floor Jacksonville, FL 32207-8182

PROJECT MANAGER: Thomas C. Young PHONE NO.: (904)390-2279

RESPONSE DUE DATE: RFQ's ARE DUE ON OR

BEFORE (October 23, 2006) AND WILL BE ACCEPTED

UNTIL 4:30 p.m.

MBE GOALS: 20% Overall Participation

Information on the selection process can be found at www.educationcentral.org/facilities under Selection Booklets.

Applicants are advised that all plans, drawings and specifications for this project may be reused by the Owner as a prototype for future projects in the District.

The Total Project Budget is \$42,000,000 however; DCPS has received appropriations totaling only \$2,000,000 for 06/07. Additional appropriation in the amount of \$20,000,000 is expected in 07/08 and another \$20,000,000 in 08/09.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND

Notices for the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

The Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in conjunction with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), is conducting a guideway study and is

accepting technical proposals from qualified General Planning Consultants to provide professional services on the following transit planning project:

PROJECT: DOWNTOWN CLEARWATER TO CLEARWATER BEACH GUIDEWAY PROJECT

The Complete RFP Package can be found at www.pinellas county.org/mpo/guidewayrfp.htm. The consultant will be required to fulfill task requirements including Re-evaluation of System Configuration and Station Locations, Ridership Evaluation, Cost Evaluation and Development of a Scope for the Next Phase.

Consideration will be given to only those firms that have been prequalified by the Florida Department of Transportation to perform the indicated MAJOR Type(s) of Work.

Major Type of Work: 13.4, 13.5 Minor Type of Work: 13.3, 13.6, 13.7

RESPONSE EVALUATION: All respondents will be evaluated in accordance with Section 287.055(4), F.S., and must be determined by the MPO and the FDOT as qualified to do business in Florida and qualified to perform the advertised work requirements. The above project falls into the selection process so indicated in Chapter 14-75, F.A.C. wherein at least three (3) firms will be requested to submit technical proposals. The contract fee will be negotiated in accordance with Section 287.055, F.S.

Lobbying of PMI Steering Committee members, Pinellas County MPO employees and elected officials regarding this RFP by any member of a Proposer's staff, or those people who are members of, or employed by, any legal entity affiliated with an organization that is responding to the RFP is strictly prohibited. Such actions may cause your proposal, or the proposal you are supporting, to be rejected.

SUBCONSULTANT OPPORTUNITY: Subconsultants that are not pre-qualified by the FDOT shall be subject to compensation restrictions as specified in Chapter 14-75, F.A.C. Any such subconsultant utilized must be technically qualified by the FDOT before work may commence. Preference points will be given in the technical proposal evaluation for certified DBE consultants and non-DBE consultants who propose certified DBE subconsultants.

NOTIFICATION OF CRIME CONVICTION: Each applicant shall notify the FDOT within 30 days after a conviction of a contract crime applicable to it or any officers, directors, executive, shareholders active in management, employees, or agents of its affiliates. Under Section 337.164, F.S., the privilege of conducting business with the FDOT shall be denied to applicants so convicted until such applicant is properly reinstated pursuant to Section 337.165, F.S., and Chapter 14-75, F.A.C.

FEDERAL DEBARMENT: By signing and submitting a Letter of Response/Proposal, the consultant certifies that no principal (which includes officers, directors, or executives) is presently

debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation on this transaction by any federal department or agency.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM STATEMENT: The MPO does not discriminate on any basis, as required by 49 USC 5332 (which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age in employment or business opportunity), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-4, and Title 49 CFR, Part 21. The MPO ensures, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, that certified FDOT Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program participants have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in FDOT assisted contracts.

PROPOSAL RECEIPT: RFP Proposals must be received by 4:30 p.m. (EST) on October 20, 2006, at the MPO offices. Questions concerning the RFP must be submitted to Heather Sobush at hsobush@pinellascounty.org by October 6, 2006. Responses to all questions will be posted at one time by 4:30 p.m. October 10, 2006, on the MPO website at www.pinellascounty.org/mpo/guidewayrfp.htm

One original, nine copies and one .pdf version on CD of the proposal must be submitted to:

Heather Sobush

Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization

600 Cleveland St., Suite 750

Clearwater, FL 33755

E-MAIL: hsobush@pinellascounty.org

PHONE: (727)464-8200 FAX: (727)464-8201

The outside of the package containing the proposal must be marked "PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES TO THE PINELLAS COUNTY MPO" The MPO will accept no responsibility for proposals not so marked. Proposals are to remain in effect for 90 calendar days from the date of submission. The MPO reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive any formality concerning proposals, or negotiate changes to the proposals whenever such rejection or waiver or negotiation is in the best interest of the MPO.

Proposals must follow the above RFP format and include, at a minimum, the following information:

- Name and Address of Firm
- 2. Contact person for the project and telephone number and email address
- 3. Key personnel, their titles and/or classification
- 4. Subconsultants that may be used for the project
- 5. Relevant past experiences
- 6. Firm's Certified DBE status
- 7. Name(s) of DBE FDOT certified subconsultants that may be used for the project.

*SHORTLIST SELECTION PROCESS: The PMI Steering Committee will evaluate the proposals received, reserving the right to reject all, and will develop a shortlist of a minimum of three FDOT pre-qualified firms. The shortlisted firms will be notified by mail or e-mail and will be invited to provide oral presentations lasting no longer than ½ hour each to the PMI Committee. The committee will then select one firm and forward their recommendation to the MPO Board for their approval.

SCHEDULE: The proposed schedule for this RFP is as follows:

RFP issued September 29 Questions/Clarifications received by 4:30 p.m. October 6 Response to questions posted October 10 Proposals due to MPO and FDOT by 4:30 p.m. October 20 Shortlist PMI meeting November 6 Oral presentations to PMI and Selection December 11 Tentative* Recommendation submitted to MPO Board December 13 Tentative* Contract Executed and Notice to Proceed January 10 Tentative*

The MPO reserves the right to change the above schedule as necessary. Any changes will be posted on the RFP website.

*If five or fewer proposals are received from qualified firms, the PMI Committee may consider those received as the shortlist. In this event, the PMI Committee may hear oral presentations and proceed with selection on November 6. In this case, a recommendation would be submitted to the MPO Board on November 8, with contract execution to occur on December 13.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Notice of Bid/Request for Proposal
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION
CONTRACTORS TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ): The Department of Management Services, Division of Real Estate Development and Management, request qualifications for licensed general contractors, to submit for Construction Management at Risk services on the following project:

PROJECT NUMBER: DCA-25070000

PROJECT NAME: Emergency Power Initiative Special Needs Shelters (SpNS), Phase II

PROJECT LOCATION: Statewide Divided Into North and South Regions

BUDGET: +/- \$20,000,000.00 in each Region

The award will be made in accordance with Section 255.29, F.S., and the procedures and criteria of the Departments Division of Real Estate Development and Management.

For details please visit the Department's website listed below and click on "Search Advertisements – Division of Real Estate Development and Management." http://fcn.state.fl.us/owa_vbs/owa/vbs_www.main_menu

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notices for the Department of Environmental Protection between December 28, 2001 and June 30, 2006, go to http://www.dep.state.fl.us/ under the link or button titled "Official Notices."

MID-FLORIDA AREA AGENCY ON AGING, INC.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Competitive proposals will be received by the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc. until 3:00 p.m., on November 2, 2006 for the provision of an array of home and community based supportive, nutrition, disease information, health promotion and family caregiver services under the Older Americans Act to older persons residing in the following counties respectively: Alachua, Bradford, Citrus, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hernando, Lafayette, Lake, Levy, Marion, Putnam, Sumter, Suwannee, and Union. The proposal package and application instructions may be obtained from the office of the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc. on September 29, 2006 or thereafter. A bidders conference will be conducted concerning this Request for Proposals at 2:00 p.m. on October 5, 2006. Interested parties are encouraged to attend the bidders conference at the following location:

Florida Farm Bureau Building 5700 S. W. 34th Street, Suite 222

Gainesville, Florida

The Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc. reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Correspondence concerning this Request for Proposals should be addressed to:

Ms. Vidya R. Hogan, Director of Consumer Services Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging, Inc. 5700 S. W. 34th Street, Suite 222 Gainesville, Florida 32608 (352)378-6649

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL # ELCMDM2006-005 for Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc., 2555 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Suite 500, Coral Gables, FL 33134, Yanet Valeron, Director of Contracts, yvaleron@elcmdm.org, (305)646-7219, will receive sealed bids at the above address for Miami-Dade Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Services, on or before 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 31, 2006. The Request for Proposal may be downloaded from the website www.elcmdm.com in the Request for Proposal section of the Download Center. The services consist of providing every 4-year old child in Florida a high quality Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten program, which ensures that all children are intellectually, emotionally,

physically, and socially ready to enter school, ready to learn, and fully recognizing the crucial roles of parents as their child's first teacher. There will be a Mandatory Applicant's Conference on Wednesday, October 18th at 1:00 p.m. The Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive informality in any proposal or to re-advertise.

Section XII Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

STATEWIDE COMPETITIVE GRANTS TO STRUCTURALLY ENHANCE OR RETROFIT PUBLIC HURRICANE EVACUATION SHELTERS, 2006

The Division of Emergency Management gives notice of its intent to open a competitive grant application process to structurally enhance or retrofit public hurricane evacuation shelters.

In House Bill (HB) 7121, the 2006 Legislature found that retrofitting public hurricane evacuation shelters is an efficient and economical method of accelerating state and local efforts to reduce the deficit of safe shelter space. The enacted legislation directs the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) to establish a statewide competitive grant application process for proposals to enhance or retrofit public hurricane evacuation shelters, such that those shelters will meet minimum safety criteria upon completion of the projects. Therefore, DEM is soliciting applications on a competitive basis to enhance or retrofit public hurricane evacuation shelters. The application may contain one or more independent proposals.

All applications must include a written recommendation from the county emergency management agency that states that upon completion of the proposed enhancement or retrofit project, that the shelter will be designated as a public hurricane evacuation shelter. The Applicant must also state in writing that, for a period of not less than 15 years, upon request of local or state emergency management agencies during a declared state or local emergency, the completed shelter will be made available for emergency management purposes.

Eligible Applicants include state, regional and local government agencies, and private non-profit organizations. The total amount of funding available under this offering is \$15 million for the purpose of improving structural survivability. DEM has been authorized to use up to five percent of the funds to administer awarded grants. The application cycle officially opens September 20, 2006, with an application deadline of October 25, 2006. Grant funds provided under this application process will be provided to

award recipients contingent on availability and approved Legislative Budget Authority. Projects that receive funding under this competitive grant process must be completed by June 30, 2009, unless the award is extended with the approval of DEM.

Applications in response to the Notice of Funding Availability published in Section XII, pp. 2568 and 2569 of Vol. 32, No. 22, June 2, 2006, F.A.W., and that were received by the application deadline, shall be considered in relation to this notice and do not need to be resubmitted.

Funding under this grant application process is subject to eligibility requirements of the federal Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). HMGP funding is only applicable to costs associated with "above code" construction improvements that protect the hurricane shelter building, occupants and contents from natural hazards and their effects. Prior to award of HMGP funds, the Applicant is required to submit an HMGP application and be determined to meet all eligibility criteria, demonstrated cost-effectiveness. completion of the HMGP-specific application is not necessary to meet the October 25, 2006 project proposal submission deadline. Only the "Statewide Competitive Grants to Structurally Enhance or Retrofit Public Hurricane Evacuation Shelters Application" found at www.floridadisaster.org must be completed and received by the October 25, 2006 deadline. Projects offered funding under this NOFA will be required to submit an HMGP application prior to the award of funds. Failure to submit the required application, or failure to meet HMGP eligibility criteria, shall result in denial of funds. The Applicant is encouraged to provide as much information as available with their initial application. The HMGP application can be found at the following URL address: http://www.floridadisaster.org/brm/hmgp_proc_forms.htm

At a minimum, all projects that receive grant funds under this application process must meet the structural and siting criteria established in the American Red Cross' publication "Standards for Hurricane Evacuation Shelter Selection" (ARC 4496, January 2002). Failure to supply the required documentation, or disapproval of this documentation by DEM, shall result in denial of funds. To enhance survivability, DEM recommends hurricane performance criteria that exceed ARC 4496. DEM encourages enhancement or retrofit proposals that specify that the shelter will meet or exceed design criteria established in the Florida Building Code-Building (FBC) Section 423.25 "Public Shelter Design Criteria," including the recommended 40 mile-per-hour increase in map wind speed, plus ASTM E 1996-02 Level E windborne debris impact protection, or similar design criteria approved by DEM.

Criteria for prioritizing and recommending the funding for enhancement or retrofitting of public hurricane evacuation shelters will include, but is not limited to, shelter needs of the county as well as the overall needs of the hurricane evacuation