



Agenda Action Form Overview

Approval to enter into contract with Sunland Fire Protection, Inc. to provide fire pump and control panel removal and installation of new units at the Durham County Detention Center in the amount of \$266,985.00.

Background/Justification

The existing diesel fire pump was a remanufactured retrofitted installation in the original 30-year-old Detention Center that has failed. The existing units are to be replaced with a fire pump and control panel that meets all current code requirements and industry standard for the facility. The fire pump, associated control panel, requires immediate replacement to ensure the continued safe operation of the Durham County Detention facility's life safety systems. These systems control water that is part of the fire sprinkler system and water control plumbing systems in the Detention Center. These systems have also required that the detention staff continue to conduct a 24 hour fire watch for the facility each day until full service is installed.

Policy Impact

The agenda item is consistent with historical Board of County Commissioner support for life & safety of County residents as well as building maintenance and infrastructure services for County facilities. The action does not require BOCC policy changes.

Procurement Background

Despite being advertised for bids and subsequently rebid, the project has received no responses from contractors. Due to the urgent nature of this replacement and the lack of response through the standard procurement process, Procurement recommended that emergency measures must now be pursued to expedite the replacement and prevent any risk to life. General Service sought permission from the County Manager in accordance with the North Carolina State Statute (09NCAC 06.B.1302) that allows exemptions from State procurement regulations in the case of an emergency or pressing need. General Services then directly solicited quotes from various fire protection companies. Sunland Fire Protection Inc. was the only respondent entity.

Type of purchase

- ☐ Goods
- ☒ Services
- ☐ Architect, Engineer or Surveyor Services
- ☐ Construction and Repair

Did this request for purchase go through a bid process? Yes ☒ No ☐

Goods: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if \geq \$90,000

Services: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if $>$ \$40,000

Construction/Repair work: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if \geq \$500,000

If yes, attach a copy of bid tab and the minority and women business enterprise (MWBE) compliance review form provided by the Purchasing Division.



If no, why?

Despite being advertised for bids and subsequently rebid, the project has received no responses from contractors. There are no Bid Tabs and no MWBE compliance review form.

- ☐ Sole source exemption
- ☐ Cooperative purchasing program exemption
- ☐ State and federal contract exemption
- ☐ Contract is an amendment to an existing contract
- ☐ Other (please explain)

If exempted from bidding, has this request been reviewed and approved by the Purchasing Division in the agenda Legistar system? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, why?

Fiscal Impact

The contract will be supported by pay as you go with capital funds that have been allocated for fire pump, control panel and backflow preventers repairs, from 4004300000, 4190420000, 4190420030087101.

Recommendation

County Manager recommends that the Board approve the contract with Sunland Fire Protection, Inc. for the removal and installation of the fire pump and control panel for the Durham County Detention Center.