



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to enter into a consultant services contract with Tytos Consulting in the amount of \$42,000 to assist with the 2021 Durham Comprehensive Gang Assessment.

Background/Justification

The City/County Gang Reduction Steering Committee plans to conduct a Gang Assessment, scheduled for completion in November 2021. Consultant services are needed to assist with specific parts of this project.

The Gang Assessment is a critical component of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Comprehensive Gang Model (<https://www.nationalgangcenter.gov/Comprehensive-Gang-Model/About>), which was adapted by Durham County and the City of Durham in 2007. The assessment will contain a significant amount of data surrounding gang prevention, intervention and suppression efforts in Durham, and will serve as a guide for our community's gang reduction efforts well into the next decade.

Consultant services are needed to manage the process, gather/analyze data, create and administer surveys, work with multiple stakeholder groups throughout the process and develop the report narrative.

Consultant costs will be shared equally with the City of Durham, as specified in the Durham City-County Interlocal Agreement for continuation of the Gang Reduction Strategy. This agreement is renewed annually at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Risk and Needs data collected from juvenile court councilors in 2018 indicate that 31.3% of court involved juveniles in Durham County are gang members or associates. This compares with a statewide average of only 6.4% in 2018. According to Durham's Gang Crime Report (June 2018), 73% of the homicides in Durham in 2016 and 2017 had a validated gang member listed as either a suspect or a victim. In 2019 there have been several homicides, drive-by shootings and assaults with a firearm that can be attributed to gang activity.

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Comprehensive (OJJDP) Gang Model (adopted by the City and County) requires that gang reduction strategies be delivered in a focused manner, based on a thorough assessment of the current gang problem in a community, its potential causes, and contributing factors. Communities that proceed without an assessment run the risk of squandering valuable resources and failing in their attempts to reduce gang crime and the lure of gang membership to at-risk youth.

A thorough gang assessment that follows Model guidelines will provide Durham with clear indicators of past and future success (for example – “percentage of violent crimes that have a validated gang member identified as a suspect or victim”, or “percentage of court-involved Durham County juveniles who are gang members or associates”. The assessment will describe



community resources, service delivery gaps and will chart a course for gang reduction in Durham for the next several years.

Policy Impact

The agenda item is consistent with historical Board of County Commissioners support for gang prevention/intervention/suppression efforts. The overall project is part of the Gang Reduction Strategy that is in place and funded jointly between the City and County through the *Durham City-County Interlocal Agreement for Continuation of the Gang Reduction Strategy*.

Procurement Background

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?

- ☐ 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



Funding for the contract was appropriated in the Criminal Justice Resource Center’s FY20-21 departmental budget. The City of Durham will contribute 50% (\$21,000) towards the cost of the contract. The total cost to the County will be \$21,000.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to execute a contract with Tytos Consulting in the amount of \$42,000 for consulting services related to the 2021 Durham Comprehensive Gang Assessment.

Bid Tab – Consultant Services for Comprehensive Gang Assessment

Estimated Cost	\$100,000
Justice System Partners	\$120,000
Tytos Consulting	\$42,000



ATTACHMENT

MWBE Compliance Review Form - Agenda Action Form (AAF)

Department: Criminal Justice Resource Center

Project Name: Consultant Services for Comprehensive Gang Assessment

Durham County hereby establishes the following aspirational goals, which may be adjusted from time to time as deemed necessary by the County Manager or designee.

Categories	Construction	Architect/ Engineer	Services	Goods	MWBE Availability % (Median Availability)
Black American	14.6	9.8	10.9	2.8	10.4%
Asian American	1.3	3.0	1.1	.43	1.3%
Hispanic American	4.2	1.8	1.1	.43	1.5%
American Indian	.65	.75	1.0	.5	.70%
White Female	13.8	11.0	9.5	7.1	10.3%
Overall MWBE Participation Goal =					25.0%

Comments (To be completed by Purchasing):

In review of the MWBE compliance for RFP 21-009 Consultant Services for Comprehensive Gang Assessment, there were no MWBE participation goals achieved on this project. However, minority subcontractors have been identified to be contacted and encouraged to pursue MWBE certification status with the NC HUB Office.

MWBE Compliance reviewed by the Durham County MWBE Management Team:

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11/16/20
Date