

# **Durham County**

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## Legislation Text

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#### **Item:**

Approval of the Purchase of Goods contract(s) with various vendors for the Private Office, Conference and Outdoor Seating and miscellaneous furnishings from the U.S. Communities/GSA and/or NC State Contracts Buying Programs for the Administrative II Building Renovation (former Judicial Building) Project No.: DC073

**Date of BOCC Meeting: March 12, 2018** 

### **Request for Board Action:**

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to enter into contracts with the following furniture suppliers for the purchase of furniture for the Administrative Building II Renovation located at 201 East Main Street Durham, NC in the amount of \$1,483,891.70 and to execute any other related contracts, if necessary, not to exceed the budget of \$1,558,086.20. (See attachment 1, Page 1-86)

1) Carolina Business and Interiors: \$604,678.92 (Private Offices)

2) Corporate Interior and Sales, Inc.: \$236,096.41 (Conference and Task Seating)
3) Price Modern Carolinas: \$308,487.80 (Ancillary - wastebaskets, containers,

side chairs and etc.)

4) Alfred Williams: \$181,388.56(File/Storage/Outdoor Seating and etc.)

5) Edge Office: \$153, 240.15 (Conference Tables)

Furniture Subtotal: \$1,483,891.70 Contingencies@5%: \$74,194.58 Total: \$1,558,086.20

It was noted during the January 8, 2018 approval of the workstation furnishings that subsequent contracts will be brought to the BOCC for approval including individual office furnishings, conference tables and seating, storage components and etc. at a later date. The private office, conference, seating and other furnishings for the Administrative Building II Renovation was selected for purchase through the U.S. Communities Buying Program, NC State Contracts, GSA and/or other buying programs. G.S. 143-129(e) allows local governments to be exempted from the competitive bidding requirements and purchase furnishings/equipment through group purchasing programs. This provides Durham County the deepest discount possible for purchases under this program. The Engineering Department has reviewed the recommendations with O'Brien/Atkins and Associates, P.A. and the Purchasing Department and recommends that the County proceed with the procurement of the items referenced in the attached proposals. For M/WBE participation information (See Attachment 2, Page 1).

The project team is reusing more recently purchased furnishings from EMS Administration and the Register of Deeds office in particular. However, the majority of the departments going into the facility have dated, well used furnishings that will be replaced as part of the project. The old furnishings will be repurposed through our GOV-Deals process following the relocation/occupancy of the newly renovated building. Many of the new furnishings have extensive lead times due to upholstering and fabrication which requires us to bring these

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contracts for approval timely in order to meet the anticipated occupancy schedule for the project. The construction of the Administrative Building II Renovation is currently underway is scheduled for substantial completion in early summer 2018. Durham County anticipates occupancy in the late summer 2018. This will require the remaining furniture installations to be in place prior to occupancy by staff. Funding for these contracts is available in the Durham County Administrative Building II Renovation (Judicial Building Renovation) account.

<u>Alignment with Strategic Plan:</u> This aligns with Goal 4 - Environmental Stewardship - through the improvement of the environmental performance of County buildings to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions from the built environment. The relocation of various departments into this facility also addresses Goal 5 by providing more efficient service delivery and better customer service.

**Resource Persons:** Jay Gibson, P.E., General Manager, Peri Manns, ASLA, LEED GA, Deputy Director of Engineering and Environmental Services, Brenda Hayes-Bright, Assoc. AIA, Project Manager, Engineering Department; and Melissa Hemmingsen, IIDA, O'Brien/Atkins - Interiors

<u>County Manager's Recommendation</u>: The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the execution of various Purchase of Goods contracts with Carolina Business Interiors, Corporate Interiors and Sales, Inc., Price Modern Carolinas, Alfred Williams and Edge Office for the purchase of the private office, conference seating and tables, outdoor seating, storage and miscellaneous furnishings from the various Federal and/or State Buying Programs for the Administrative Building II Renovation in the amount of \$1,1,483,891.70 and to execute any other related contracts, if necessary, not to exceed to the budget of \$1,558,086.20

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