

Item Title: Award Construction Contract for New Hope EMS Station

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners awards a construction contract to TCC Enterprises, Inc. of Louisburg, NC and authorizes the County Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$1,681,500 for the New Hope EMS Station

Item Summary:

Purpose: State statute requires the Board of Commissioners to approve and award all publicly bid construction contracts greater than \$500,000.

Background: In March 2008, a Master Plan was completed to define and address current and projected needs for EMS in Wake County for the subsequent seven to ten years and each year during the budget planning process. The Master Plan is re-evaluated and updated to reflect any priorities that may have changed.

The New Hope EMS Station will be located at 7731 Fox Road on the Wake Tech's North Campus. The station will fill a current gap in coverage along the US 401 corridor North of I-540. On May 15, 2017 the Board of Commissioners approved a 40-year ground lease for 2.4 acres on Wake Tech's North Campus. On October 16, 2017 the Board of Commissioners approved schematic design for a new EMS station based on a prototype substation plan for a building that will be approximately 4,357 square feet. This action awards a construction contract and advances the project to the construction stage.

Board Goal: Provide a safe, secure and healthy community through coordinated, efficient and effective public safety services.

Fiscal Impact: This project is funded in the FY2017 Capital Improvement Plan. The contract award is within the allocated budget.

Additional Information:

The Wake County EMS System is comprised of three agencies which operate under a unified dispatch and medical control system from 34 locations throughout the 850 square miles of Wake County. These facilities range from full-service headquarters stations to standard substations and to EMS quarters co-located within fire stations.

The New Hope EMS Station will be approximately 4,357 square feet with three (3) single length ambulance bays and will house a peak load unit, 24-hour response unit and Advance Practice Paramedic vehicle, similar to the RDU EMS station and the newly constructed Wendell Main EMS station. The new facility will have a "whole house" emergency generator and will be constructed to anticipate a future photovoltaic array, so

that the facility will be “solar ready”. The project includes all site development including drive apron, ten (10) parking spaces, utility connections and landscaping.



On May 24, 2018, bids were received from nine (9) licensed general contractors for the New Hope EMS Station, project in accordance with NC General Statutes. A tabulation of bids received is attached for review. Staff recommends that a construction contract be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, TCC Enterprises, Inc. for \$1,681,500. This award includes a base bid amount of \$1,680,000 and an add alternate of \$1,500 for roller-type window shades which offer better day-shading and lifecycle than traditional mini-blinds. The contract award of \$1,681,500 for building construction and site development costs is within budget. A cost breakdown is provided on the attached Project Cost Summary. Pending site permit approval from the City of Raleigh, construction is expected to commence in August, and be substantially complete by June 2019.



Attachments:

1. Bid Tabulation
2. Project Cost Summary