

Good Faith Efforts Summary for the Charlotte Fire Department Hidden Valley Firehouse No.45

Background

The Charlotte Fire Department Hidden Valley Firehouse No.45 project was bid on January 31, 2023. A total of three (3) firms submitted bids for the contract. Staff is recommending contract award to the low bidder, Edison Foard, Inc. (Edison Foard) with a total contract award amount of \$10,876,900.

The Established MBE Goal for this project was set at 8.00%, as derived from the City's subcontracting goal setting formula.

At bid opening, Edison Foard documented and committed MBE participation totaling 0.44% (\$47,830) to the following certified MBE firm: Taylor Interiors, LLC (MBE) (acoustical insulation, joint sealants)

Subsequent to bid opening, Edison Foard committed an additional 2.08% (\$226,500) to the following certified MBE firm: A-1 Glass & Aluminum of NC, Inc. (MBE) (\$226,500) (storefront glass), which increased Edison Foard's total MBE utilization for the project to 2.52% (\$274,330).

The Established SBE Goal for this project was set at 13.00%, as derived from the City's subcontracting goal setting formula.

At bid opening, Edison Foard documented and committed SBE participation totaling 9.49% (\$1,032,430) to the following certified SBE firm(s): Armstrong Mechanical Services Inc. (SBE) (\$1,025,848) (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning), Green's Commercial Cleaning, Inc (SBE) (\$6,582) (final clean).

Subsequent to bid opening, Edison Foard committed an additional 0.51% (\$55,129) to the following certified SBE firm: Skyline Design & Landscape, LLC. (SBE, WBE) (landscaping), which increased Edison Foard's total SBE utilization for the project to 10.00% (\$1,087,559).

Good Faith Effort (GFE) Summary

Per the City's CBI Policy (Part B: Section 2.1), because the Established MBE and SBE Goals on this contract were not met at bid opening, Edison Foard was required to submit documentation reflecting their efforts in earning the required minimum 50 Good Faith Effort (GFE) points, out of a total available 145 GFE points. City staff has reviewed Edison Foard's documentation and confirmed Edison Foard's achievement of 95 GFE points, comprised of the following efforts:

- GFE 5.3.1: *Contacts* (10 points)
- GFE 5.3.2: *Making Plans Available* (10 points)
- GFE 5.3.3: *Breaking Down Work* (10 points)
- GFE 5.3.5: *Attendance at Pre-Bid* (10 Points)
- GFE 5.3.7: *Negotiating in Good Faith with MBEs/SBEs* (10 Points)
- GFE 5.3.8: *Financial Assistance* (25 Points)
- GFE 5.3.10: *Quick Pay Agreements* (20 Points)

