

Legislation Text

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Traffic Signal Construction

Action:

Approve a contract in the amount of \$6,178,480 to the lowest responsive bidder Whiting Construction Co., Inc. for traffic signal construction.

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- The Charlotte Department of Transportation (CDOT) maintains a modern transportation system that requires traffic signals and supporting infrastructure to manage optimum traffic flow throughout the city.
- CDOT currently maintains traffic signals at over 800 intersections across the city.
- Charlotte's rapid population growth and new development increases the demand for new and modified traffic signals and infrastructure.
- The traffic signal construction contract provides additional resources to install traffic signals and supporting infrastructure citywide.
- On January 14, 2019, the city issued an Invitation to Bid; two bids were received.
 - G.S. 143-132 prohibits municipalities from awarding construction contracts over \$500,000 without receiving at least three competitive bids from the initial advertisement of the contract. The city may subsequently award the contract even if re-advertisements result in fewer than three competitive bids.
- On February 28, 2019, the contract was re-advertised for bid; two bids were received.
- Whiting Construction Co., Inc. was selected as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.
- These installations are anticipated to be completed by fourth quarter 2022.

Charlotte Business INclusion

Established SBE Goal: 13.00%

Committed SBE Goal: 28.44%

Whiting Construction Co., Inc. exceeded the established subcontracting goal, and has committed 28.44% (\$1,757,351.25) of the total contract amount to the following certified firm(s) (Part B: Section 3 of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy):

- M.H. Graves Construction Co. (SBE) (\$1,418,000) (sidewalks, curb & gutter, traffic signal installation)
- AMP Utility Distribution Services, LLC (SBE, WBE) (\$135,851.25) (material)
- Ground Effects, Inc. (SBE, WBE) (\$203,500) (pavement markings)

Established MBE Goal: 8.00%

Committed MBE Goal: 0.00%

Whiting Construction Co., Inc. failed to meet the established MBE subcontracting goal at bid, but earned the required Good Faith Effort Points (Part B: Section 5 of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy) and are recommended for award.

Fiscal Note

Funding: General Community Investment Plan

Attachment(s)

Summary of Bids