



Date: January 18, 2022

To: Wanda S. Page, City Manager
Through: Bertha T. Johnson, Deputy City Manager
From: Marvin G. Williams, Director of Public Works
Subject: Contract ST-321 Pavement Preservation 2022

Executive Summary

On December 15, 2021, the Department of Public Works opened bids for Contract ST-321 Pavement Preservation 2022. The contract involves the preservation of various asphalt streets utilizing crack seal, microsurfacing, cape seal, and asphalt rejuvenation, throughout the City of Durham. (Attachment A, Overview Map). The lowest responsive bid was submitted by Slurry Pavers, Inc. of Richmond, Virginia.

Motion

To authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for ST-321, Pavement Preservation 2022 with Slurry Pavers, Inc. in the amount of \$4,814,666.19;

To establish a contingency fund in the amount of \$120,366.65; and

To authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute change orders to the contract provided that the total contract cost does not exceed \$4,935,032.84.

Background

The Department of Public Works originally advertised the project on November 5, 2021 with a bid opening on December 6, 2021. Under formal bidding statutes, three bids are required to open; and only one was received. The project was re-advertised and the second bid opening was conducted on December 15, 2021.

The Department of Public Works continues to be committed toward a balanced asphalt pavement maintenance program. A critical component of that is to perform the right treatment to the right road at the right time. The paving effort has been successful over the last four paving seasons by focusing on two areas of treatment: repaving and the preservation treatments. Public Works will continue to split these two different types of paving work into separate projects to keep cost down and increase the quality of work. ST-321 is the preservation portion of the 2022 asphalt maintenance program.

The ST-321, Pavement Preservation 2022 project provides micro-resurfacing, cape sealing, crack sealing, repaving, and asphalt rejuvenation of various locations throughout the City of Durham for a total of 156 lane miles. The streets treated with crack sealant will be micro-resurfaced during the same paving season. The locations are spread across four PAC Districts and will include 23 neighborhoods. The neighborhoods selected were chosen through an equity lens; using the Durham Neighborhood Compass source data with regards to people of color and household income.

Issues and Analysis

The following is a summary of bids received:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Slurry Pavers, Inc.	\$4,814,666.19
Browe Construction Company	\$5,404,707.25

The Department of Public Works recommends awarding Contract ST-321 to Slurry Pavers, INC in the amount of \$4,814,666.19.

Alternatives

City Council can choose to not proceed with this project and redirect the funding to another project. The City Manager can award the project since the bids received are competitive.

Financial Impact

Funds for this project are available in the following CIP accounts:

Repaving Funds – Construction:	3000L010 - 732001 - LE974	\$4,814,666.19
Repaving Funds – Contingency:	3000L010 - 731900 - LE974	\$120,366.65
	Total=	\$4,935,032.84

Equal Business Opportunity Summary

The Equity & Inclusion Department reviewed the bid submitted by Slurry Pavers, Inc. of Richmond, VA to determine if they are in compliance with Ordinance to Promote Equal Business Opportunities in City Contracting. The goals for this project are MUBE 11% and WUBE 7%.

The WUBE goal was exceeded, whereas the MUBE goal was not met. Slurry Pavers, Inc. demonstrated a good faith effort in trying to obtain the MUBE goal.

UBE REQUIREMENTS

Slurry Pavers, Inc. will utilize the following certified firms:

Firm	ID	City/State	Amount	% of Contract
Carolina Transport of Greensboro	MUBE	Greensboro, NC	\$9,292.00	0.2%
Browe Construction	WUBE	Selma, NC	\$84,000.00	1.7%
Paul D. Williams	MUBE	Dunn, NC	\$130,000.00	2.7%
Royals Contracting	WUBE	Raleigh, NC	\$783,710.85	16.3%

Contractor Workforce Diversity & Hiring Practices

According to the contractor's responses to the "Contractor Workforce Diversity Questionnaire," the contractor is a "large employer (over 100 employees)" consisting of "mostly "a mix of professional/skilled and unskilled" workers. The contractor "believes" it has a diverse workforce because significant efforts are made every year to increase its diversity, both internally and externally when recruiting/staffing. They also rely heavily on promoting from within. This stance on promotions ensures there is diversity throughout their organization. The contractor "did" list "many examples" of efforts it makes to have a more diverse workforce.

Part B – Employee Diversity Breakdown for the Consolidated Company

Employment Category	Total Employees	Total Males	Total Females	Males					Females				
				White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaskan Native	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian or Pacific Islander	Indian or Alaskan Native
Project Manger	65	64	1	49	9	4		2	1				
Professional	22	15	7	13	1			1	7				
Labor	374	369	5	223	132	9	1	4	3	2			
Clerical	3		3						3				
Totals	464	448	16	285	142	13	1	7	14	2			

Attachments

Attachment A, Overview Map

Attachment B, Treatment Information