



## Legislation Text

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### Title

## Professional Engineering services for the Mecklenburg County Solid Waste Management Program

### Action

#### ACTION:

**Authorize the County Manager, or her designee, to negotiate and execute contracts with the engineering firms noted herein for Solid Waste related projects**

**Staff Contact:** Jeffery Smithberger, Solid Waste Director, LUESA

**Presentation:** No

#### **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

Mecklenburg County issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on January 31, 2024, for Professional Engineering support for solid waste needs that are both ongoing and anticipated. The Professional Engineering services are necessary for construction/project management oversight, and the preparation and submittal of documentation required in order to provide strategic and tactical expertise for the design, operations, regulatory compliance, and management of the existing and future County's Solid Waste Facilities and related operations for the next five (5) year period.

The Selection Committee consisted of staff from LUESA Solid Waste, a representative from the Business Diversity and Inclusion (BDI) Program, and a Professional Engineer as required by BOCC Policy. On April 5, 2024, the Selection Committee met and discussed the qualifications of the firms based upon their submittals.

A total of eight (8) submittals were received on March 15, 2024. All selected firms have an office located in Mecklenburg County and will meet the County's BDI provisions of 15% minority business enterprise (MBE) and 8% women business enterprise (WBE) utilization.

The Selection Committee selected the following firms for the Solid Waste Management Program work and recommends them for issuance of contracts.

- **CDM Smith, Inc**
- **HDR Engineering, Inc of the Carolinas**
- **Geosyntec Consultants of NC P.C.**
- **LaBella Associates, D.P.C.**
- **Smith Gardner, Inc.**
- **SCS Engineers, PC**

The assignment of a specific firm for any project will be based on the type of project, the firm's expertise/experience and successfully meeting the criteria outlined in the current BDI Provisions Guide. Specific contracts will be negotiated and then issued in accordance with County standards.

The selection was required by G.S. 143-64.31 and 32, the Qualification-based selection process for the selection of an Engineering Firm (s).

**PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:**

N/A

**POLICY IMPACT:**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The contracts and services will be funded through the operating and capital budget of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund. No impact to County General Fund