

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: February 13, 2024

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager
Chris Murphy, Planning and Development Services Director
Darren Redfield, Purchasing Director

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Awarding Demolition Contract for North Liberty Street Properties (Northeast Ward)

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective: Promote Commercial Development in Economically Disadvantaged Areas

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: Yes



Summary of Information:

The purpose of this contract is to demolish three old structures on the lot next to the Liberty Street Market. The scope of work will be performed in two “phases” to achieve this. The first “phase” is partial demolition on the two-story building (addresses: 1415/1417/1419) in order for Abatemaster Services, LLC to finish the asbestos testing of all materials which were inaccessible due to the collapsed roof. The second “phase” is asbestos abatement and full demolition of this building. Addresses 1409 and 1411 North Liberty Street will be demolished in the order determined by the contractor.

Once the asbestos survey report was obtained, City/County Purchasing advertised this project in October 2023 and hosted a pre-bid conference at the properties. The bid period was extended to address interested bidder questions and concerns, and to perform further due diligence with Forsyth County Environmental Assistance and Protection who approves demolition permits. Bids were received on December 22, 2023, with a summary of bids:

	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
Double “D” Construction Services	Winston-Salem, NC	\$149,150.00
EMR Services, Inc.	High-Point, NC	214,100.00
D.H. Griffin Wrecking Company, Inc.	Greensboro, NC	249,000.00

Demolition services are not considered construction or repair under North Carolina General Statute 143; therefore, no minority/woman-owned business enterprise subcontracting goals are required.

Committee FC – 2/13/24 **Action** Approval

For Unanimous **Against** _____

Remarks: _____

It is recommended that a contract be awarded to Double “D” Construction Services, the low bidder meeting specifications, in the total bid amount of \$149,150.00. The cost seems justifiable for the amount of work and steps necessary. Staff had no means to determine a preliminary cost estimate.

M/WBE comment: Bid invitations were sent directly to 18 demolition contractors, three of whom are MBEs and five are WBEs. Notifications were sent to all local M/WBE and regional HUB businesses on a bi-weekly basis. See Exhibit A for a complete list of businesses that were notified about the bidding opportunity and the recommended vendor’s workplace demographics. Double “D” Construction Services is a woman-owned business and EMR Services, Inc. is a minority-owned business.