

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 10, 2020

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

From: Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager
 William Royston, Recreation
 Jerry Bates, Purchasing Director

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Awarding Construction Contract for Bolton Park Renovations (Southwest Ward)

Strategic Focus Area: Livable Neighborhoods
Strategic Objective: Expand Open Space and Recreational Facilities
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: Yes



Summary of Information:

The City advertised bids for Bolton Park Renovations, a 2018 G.O. Bond project. The scope of work includes removal of existing asphalt paths, grading, site drainage improvements, new concrete walkways, water fountain, site furniture, sod and landscaping. New playground equipment will be provided under a separate contract.

Bids were received on June 9, 2020, with a summary of bids as follows:

	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
ASJ Wilson Construction, LLC	Greensboro, NC	\$184,400
Simcon Company, LLC	Mount Airy, NC	194,365
W.C. Construction Co., LLC	Winston-Salem, NC	197,000
Dalton Contracting, LLC	Clemmons, NC	204,000
Dreambuilt Construction, Inc.	Advance, NC	206,600
Bar Construction Co., Inc.	Greensboro, NC	254,410
Silas Ridge Construction	Winston-Salem, NC	278,889
Armen Construction, LLC	Charlotte, NC	310,110

Committee	<u>Finance 8/10/2020</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>
Remarks:	<u></u>		

The low bidder, ASJ Wilson Construction, LLC, submitted subcontracting goals of 18.0% with minority-owned businesses and 16.9% with women-owned businesses, which exceeded those established for this project of 13% and 8%, respectively.

The 2018 G.O. Bond allocated \$624,000 for the construction budget. The project includes replacement of the playground equipment with a larger, fully accessible play area having equipment for multiple age groups. Originally, a bid was let for this project in December 2019 with the general contractor providing and installing the playground equipment; however, all bids exceeded the budget. Staff had the designer reduce the scope of the project and opted to purchase the playground equipment under a cooperative group program offering a municipal discount. City Council approved this turn-key purchase with installation contract for the playground equipment on January 21, 2020, for \$399,541.66.

Therefore, the remaining construction budget is \$224,458. Since the low bid is below budget, it is recommended that a contract be awarded to ASJ Wilson Construction, LLC, the low bidder meeting specifications, in the total amount of \$184,400. The designer's estimate was \$198,250.

M/WBE comment: This project was advertised on the City and State websites and with several electronic plan rooms. Notifications were sent to all local M/WBE and regional HUB businesses on a weekly basis. See Exhibit A for a complete list of businesses that were notified the bidding opportunity and the low bidder's Workplace Demographics form.