

TOWN COUNCIL

STAFF REPORT

Projects and Watershed Resilience Department



MEETING DATE:	February 14, 2023
PROJECT:	Approval to Authorize a Construction Contract to JS Construction Services, Inc. for the Buck Island/Simmons ville Phase 6B Sidewalks Project (Fiscal Impact – \$354,397)
PROJECT MANAGER:	Kimberly Washok-Jones, Director of Projects and Watershed Resilience

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Town Council authorize the Town Manager to execute a Contract (Attachment 2) with JS Construction Services, Inc. to provide construction services for Buck Island/Simmons ville Phase 6B Sidewalks in the amount of \$354,397. In addition, Staff requests a 20% contingency allowance to cover any unforeseen changes that may arise during construction.

BACKGROUND:

The contract will include the construction of the remaining portion of the sixth phase of sidewalk within the Buck Island/Simmons ville Neighborhood. The project consists of approximately 1,250 linear feet of public sidewalk along Simmons ville Road from the existing sidewalk at Sugaree Drive north to Windy Lake Court. Installation also includes grading and stormwater infrastructure.

Staff solicited bids and received no responses on the advertised due date of October 18, 2022. After which, Gordian was contacted for a price through the State Procurement system. The Town has previously used this company for work through the Neighborhood Assistance Program. Bids were also requested from other contractors, with three responding. JS Construction Services, Inc. submitted the lowest price of \$354,397. This price is within the engineer's estimate and falls within the available amount in the current budget. Bids received are below:

VENDOR NAME	BASE BID	ALTERNATE(S) ACCEPTED	TOTAL AMOUNT OF BASE BID WITH ALTERNATES
Gordian	\$813,982.00		\$813,982.00
First Construction Management, LLC	\$521,988.85		\$521,988.85
Atlantic Asphalt, LLC	\$357,407.75		\$357,407.75
JS Construction Services, Inc.	\$354,397.00		\$354,397.00

This will be the final phase of sidewalk construction in the Buck Island/Simmonsville Neighborhood and will connect the May River Road to the Bluffton Parkway.

NEXT STEPS:

- Execution of this Contract
- Preconstruction meetings and coordination
- Begin site development improvements

SUMMARY:

This project originated out of the BIS Neighborhood Plan adopted by Town Council in 2009 and the 2019-2020 Strategic Plan. It is supportive of the following guiding principles of the Town:

- Infrastructure Guiding Principle #2. Identify programs, technologies or resources to compliment current operational practices that ensure the sustainability of existing infrastructure and facilities.
- Community Quality of Life Guiding Principle #3. Enhance public safety improvements and innovative programs that ensure a safe community.
- Community Quality of Life Guiding Principle #4. Support initiatives and evaluate community policies, programs, gathering places, and events that promote healthy and quality lifestyles for our diverse citizenry.

Consistent with these Guiding Principles, Staff is requesting Town Council to authorize the Town Manager to execute the proposed construction contract with JS Construction Services, Inc. to install sidewalks and stormwater piping within the Buck Island/Simmonsville Neighborhood.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Presentation
2. Draft Contract
3. Project Data Sheet
4. Bid Evaluation Form
5. Recommended Motion