



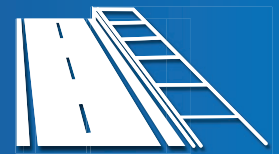
South Polk Sidewalk Extension - CE&I Services

City of Pineville /// July 26, 2024

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1. cover letter



July 26, 2024

Travis Morgan, Planning Director
Town of Pineville
PO Box 249, Pineville, NC 28134



RE: CITY OF JACKSONVILLE GUM BRANCH ROAD SIDEWALK DESIGN PROJECT

Dear Mr. Morgan:

KCI has been providing a wide range of engineering services to clients in North Carolina since 1990. With 2,200 team members operating in 60+ offices in 18 states, our largest program is our construction engineering and inspection (CEI) discipline, with over 500 personnel engaged in projects throughout the eastern seaboard of the US. Our CEI operation in North Carolina currently includes 85 technicians and engineers working with NCDOT and municipal clients literally from Murphy and Maneo. **The South Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project will be managed out of our Rock Hill, South Carolina office.** KCI use a subconsultant for inspection services on this project, but we will utilize ECS for concrete compressive strength lab testing support. KCI has worked with ESC on many projects over the years including the Town of Pineville NC 51/Main Street Improvements project.

The KCI project team will be managed by David Eberspeaker. Mr. Eberspeaker is a registered professional engineer in North and South Carolina and a Certified Construction Manager by the Construction Management Association of America. He earned a BS in Civil Engineering from NC State University and an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mr. Eberspeaker has managed construction projects for over 40 years in North and South Carolina and Florida. He is currently KCI's Project Manager (PM) for the Town of Pineville's NC 51/Main Street Improvements project. Mr. Eberspeaker is a Vice President at KCI and has full contract signatory authority for the company.

We appreciate this opportunity to present our qualifications on the following pages in response to your Request for Qualifications (RFQ) dated July 26, 2024. We have enjoyed a good working relationship with the Town of Pineville on the NC 51/Main Street Improvements project and look forward to continuing that working relationship on the South Polk Sidewalk Extension project.

Sincerely,

David Eberspeaker, PE, CCM
Vice President, North Carolina CEI
Practice Leader/Signature Authority



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STATEMENT OF REGISTRATIONS

KCI is registered with the Office of the Secretary of State and the North Carolina Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

- NC Secretary of State: 99935978-1
- NC Board of Examiners: C-0764



DATE OF MOST RECENT PRIVATE ENGINEERING FIRM QUALIFICATION

KCI's most recent Private Engineering Firm Questionnaire (PEFQUAL-1) was submitted to NCDOT in March 2024 and is valid until March 2025.



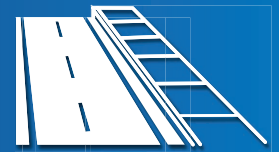
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Upon review of the requirements for this contract, KCI did not find any personal or financial conflict of interest on the part of any employee of our firm.



KCI FIRM DISCIPLINE CODE
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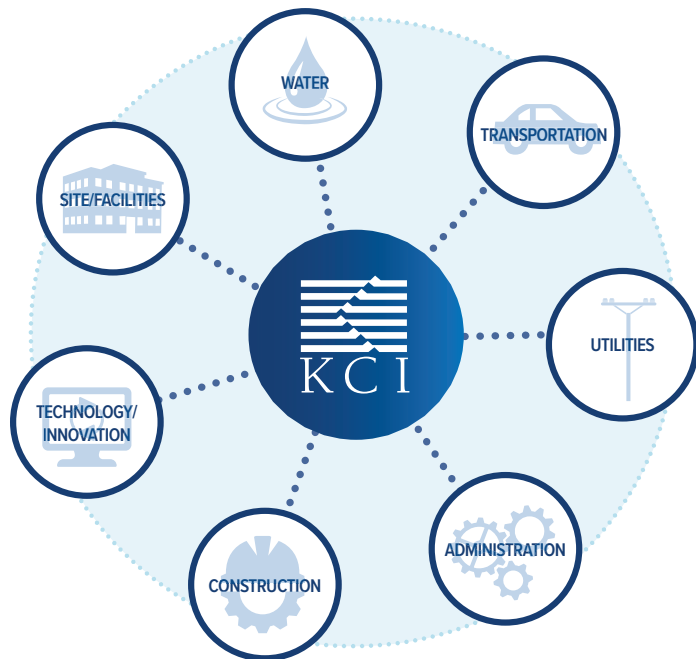
2. firm background/experience



OUR TEAM

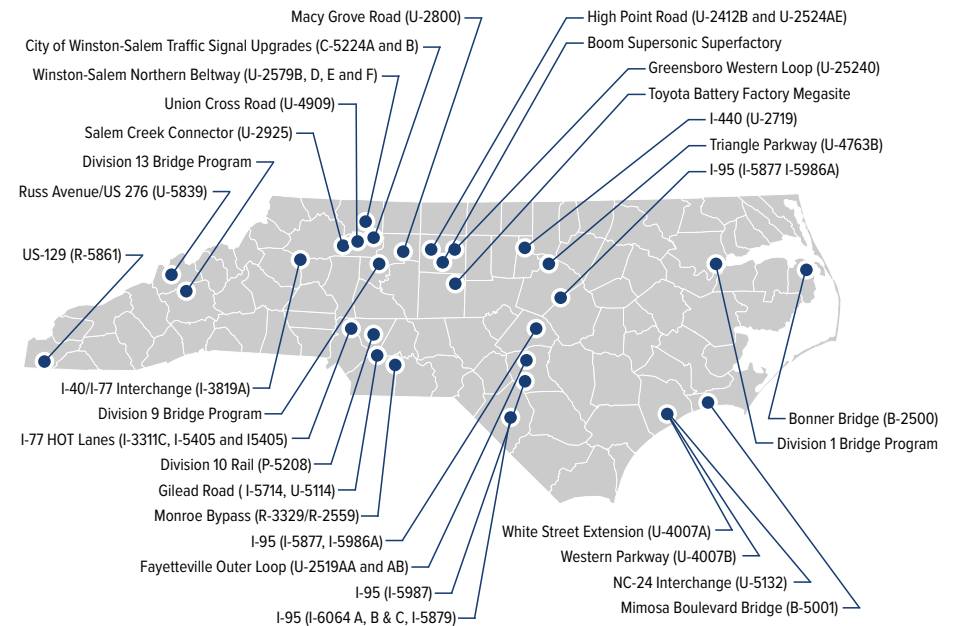
KCI Technologies, Inc. (S-corporation), operating as [KCI Associates of North Carolina, PA \(KCI\)](#) in North Carolina, was established in 1955. Today, we are a 100% employee-owned, multi-disciplined engineering firm that has grown to over 2,200 employee-owners operating in 60 offices in 18 states and the District of Columbia. With revenues of approximately \$467 million in 2023, the *Engineering News-Record* consistently places KCI among the top consulting engineering firms in the country, with our current ranking at No. 56. KCI has been working continuously in North Carolina since 1990 and has offices in Charlotte, Rock Hill (SC), Raleigh, Wilmington, Greensboro, Lumberton, Asheville, and Gastonia. **Our Rock Hill office will serve as the main office performing the work for this contract.** KCI currently has approximately 230+ employees statewide who support our transportation team in our statewide project delivery efforts. We are dedicated to delivering high-quality professional engineering services to the Town of Pineville.

KCI North Carolina Markets



Significant KCI/NC DOT Projects

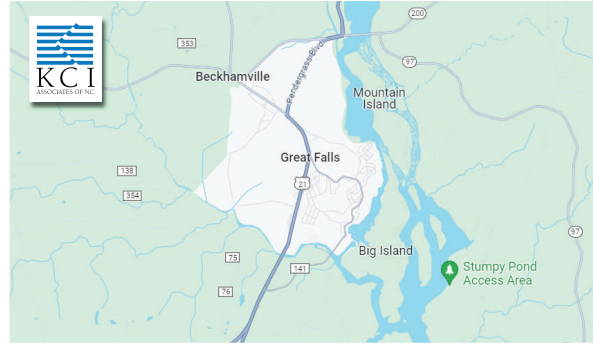
NORTH CAROLINA CEI PROJECTS



The map above includes only a representative sample of the significant projects where KCI has provided CEI support to the NCDOT and municipal clients over the past 10 years. This map demonstrates our reach across the state and our ability to provide construction engineering and inspection services when and where needed.

RECENT SIMILAR PROJECTS

The following few pages are brief project summaries of where the KCI team has recently or is currently providing similar services. KCI has extensive experience preparing designs, construction bid documents, and contract management oversight for sidewalk programs for governmental entities. On projects like these, we are our client's faces, a responsibility we take very seriously.



FLOPEYE STREETSCAPE IMPROVMENTS

Great Falls, SC

KCI provided project management services and quality assurance (QA) testing and inspection for this streetscape and pedestrian improvement project on behalf of the Town of Great Falls. The project consisted primarily of installing new sidewalks and curb ramps, drainage improvements, and minor asphalt patching through a downtown business area. Our inspection staff oversaw operations to monitor compliance with SCDOT standards, contract documents, and ADA requirements. Pedestrian ramps were inspected for adherence to slope standards and detectable warning surface material installation. The installation of these pedestrian ramps posed additional challenges due to the proximity to commercial buildings with varying entry elevations, adjacent property grade differences, and tying into other existing structures. Inspection staff also monitored the placement of thermoplastic cross-walk markings, erosion control installation and maintenance, and landscaping.



NC 51 IMPROVEMENTS

Pineville, NC

KCI is providing inspection services for this project to realign Johnston Drive where it connects to Main Street (NC 51) in Pineville. The new alignment will eliminate one of two signalized intersections that are currently only 150 apart from each other. The work includes the construction of a 6-inch waterline along the new alignment of Johnston Drive, curb and gutter and sidewalk, asphalt pavement, storm drainage, new mast arm mounted signals, and landscaping. The project cost is currently \$1 million, but it is anticipated that a second phase of this project will be added to the current contract. The project is in a high-visibility area in downtown Pineville.



CHARLES BUCKLEY WAY CEI

Matthews, NC

This project consisted of new construction on a connector road between East John Street and East Charles Street. KCI provided project management, construction inspection, and materials testing services. The inspection team performed construction oversight, materials sampling, materials testing, survey grade verification, documentation of pay quantities, erosion control and permit compliance, and safety compliance.



GEORGE POSTON PARK WALKWAY PHASE III GREENWAY CEI

Gaston County, NC

Gaston County obtained a federally-funded grant for the construction of George Poston Park Phase III Greenway. The greenway is made up of a series of 10-foot-wide ADA paved walking trails that meander through the natural landscape and hug the shores of the South Fork of the Catawba River. This project included the construction of a new 41-space parking area with landscaping, fencing, and security gates for access control. KCI was selected by the County to serve as the construction administrator for this project and was charged with ensuring the project was constructed in accordance with the plans, specifications, and NCDOT standards. Our work included material certifications, testing, general inspection, erosion control, DBE certifications, pay estimates, daily work diaries, pay record books, wage rates, and payroll certifications.



OLD SALISBURY ROAD SLOPE STABILIZATION & CEI

Winston-Salem, NC

This project consisted of repairing embankment and slope failures along Old Salisbury Road. Our team designed the replacement for the existing 8'x8' concrete arch culvert and overflow pipe on Old Salisbury Road. The proposed culverts are designed to satisfy the City's performance standards for the 50-year design. KCI performed all aspects of design including hydraulic, roadway, culvert, water/sewer, erosion control design, and utility coordination. We also developed the final construction drawings, bid documents, and managed the bid opening on the City's behalf. KCI is continuing to provide construction management as the construction progresses.



SOUTH TRADE STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS CEI

Matthews, NC

This project consisted of widening 0.59 miles of South Trade Street, 0.23 miles of Fullwood Lane, and 0.08 miles of Chaphyn Lane, as well as the construction of 0.1 miles of a new alignment for Chaphyn Lane and improvements to the intersections of South Trade at Chaphyn Lane, Chesney Glen Drive, Fullwood Lane, and Talbot Court. Improvements include grading, drainage, paving, curb and gutter, sidewalks, traffic control, pavement markings, utility, erosion control, signals, and other related items, as shown on the plans. The inspection team performed construction oversight, materials sampling and testing, survey grade verification, documentation of pay quantities, erosion control and permit compliance, and safety compliance. All work under this contract was performed in accordance with NCDOT's Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures.



CEI FOR PINE KNOLL SHORES SIDEWALKS

Pine Knoll Shores, NC

KCI provided construction engineering and inspection (CEI) services for the construction of an approximately 1,722 LF of five-foot-wide concrete sidewalk. The project involved the construction of a multi-use path. Our team provided inspection, materials sampling, and materials testing, surveying grade verification, documentation of pay quantities, erosion control and permit compliance, safety compliance, and claims avoidance.



REMOUNT ROAD SIDEWALKS & AVON CREEK GREENWAY EXT.

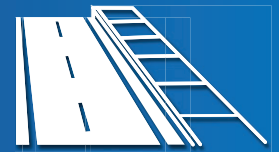
Gastonia, NC

As part of the on-call contract with the City of Gastonia, these improvements include the addition of sidewalks on both sides of Remount Road from N. New Hope Road to Aberdeen Boulevard and extending Avon Creek Greenway from the current terminus on E. 2nd Avenue near S. Poplar Street east to S. Belvedere Avenue and north along S. Belvedere Street to E. Franklin Boulevard. KCI is providing project management, surveying, platting, SUE, environmental investigations, roadway design, hydraulic and erosion control, utility coordination, pavement marking and signing, signal design, permitting, bid phase services, and construction support services.

Client	Project (Year Completed)	Contact Name Title	Email	Phone Number
KCI References				
Town of Pineville	NC 51/Main Street Improvements (In Progress)	Chip Hill Public Works Director	chill@pinevillenc.gov	(704) 889-2291
City of Winston-Salem	Old Salisbury Road Slope Stabilization (In Progress)	Todd Love Capital Projects Engineer Field Operations – Stormwater Division	toddml@cityofws.org	(336) 734-1318
North Carolina Department of Transportation	Gilead Road (In Progress)	Raymond R Gerdus, PE Resident Engineer	rrgerdus@ncdot.gov	(980) 262-6207



3. project team



ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

David Eberspeaker will lead our project team. Hunter Edwards will handle the day-to-day project inspection and materials testing duties for the Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project. Mr. Edwards is also the inspector for the Town of Pineville's NC 51/Main Street Improvements project, as shown in the organizational chart below.



Wallace "Chip" Hill
Town of Pineville
Public Works Director



PROJECT MANAGER

David Eberspeaker, PE, CCM ^{KCI}



CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR

Hunter Edwards ^{KCI}

KEY	
KCI	KCI Associates of North Carolina, PA
ECS	ECS Southeast, LLC
	Point of Contact



MATERIAL TESTING LAB

ECS

ECS Southeast, LLC

Founded in 1988, Engineering Consulting Services (ECS) is a leader in geotechnical, construction materials, environmental and facilities engineering. At that time, our goal was to raise the standards of professional consulting engineering by hiring industry professionals who understood the complexities of building and maintaining modern infrastructures. Our company's success spans multiple industry sectors.



Our steady growth comes from a deep belief in developing the people, systems and expertise required to focus on client needs. Today, with 2,700 employees, ECS has grown to more than 90 offices and testing facilities spread across the Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Pacific, Southeast and Southwest. ECS is currently ranked #64 in *Engineering News-Record's* Top 500 Design Firms (April 2024), #131 in *Engineering News-Record's* Top 200 Environmental Firms (July 2023) and #28 in *Zweig Group Hot Firms* (June 2024).

Construction Materials Testing Services

Construction Materials Testing (CMT) primarily involves testing structural materials used to build new projects from the ground up, materials and components used to construct new additions or new components being added to an existing facility. These include earthwork, shallow and deep foundations, destructive and non-destructive concrete testing, wood construction observations, structural masonry, structural steel, sprayed-on fireproofing, Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems (EIFS), roofing evaluation and testing and asphalt pavement evaluation and testing.

The ECS team will verify the resources needed for the project. With their construction materials testing procedures, they support the Town of Pineville's compliance and will help align with design specifications. They can be counted on regardless of the scale of project.

On the following page we have provided brief work experience summaries for our team on the Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project (and NC 51/ Main Street Improvements project).

important info

David Eberspeaker works out of KCI's Rock Hill office and his commute from Rock Hill to the project site in Pineville is 15 minutes. His availability will be split between the Main Street project and the Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project which will increase efficiency in the management and inspection of both projects.

Mr. Eberspeaker works out of KCI's Rock Hill office. His commute from Rock Hill to Pineville project site is short 15-minute drive. Mr. Edwards is working on the Town of Pineville NC 51/ Main Street Improvements project, which places him in the immediate vicinity of the Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project. His availability will be split between the Main Street project and the Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project, which will increase efficiency in the management and inspection of both projects.



quick facts

Office: Rock Hill, SC

Availability: 70%

David Eberspeaker, PE, CCM

Project Manager

40 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

14 YEAR WITH KCI

With over 40 years of construction management experience, Mr. Eberspeaker has managed roadway and bridge projects for transportation agencies in Florida, South Carolina and North Carolina. Following his graduation with a BS in Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University, he commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Navy Civil Engineering Corps. As a CEC officer in the Navy he managed projects during the construction of a new Navy submarine base in Kings Bay, Georgia and served with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 7 home-ported in Gulfport, MS. With the battalion, he managed projects in Guam, Greece and Bermuda. After leaving the Navy he earned an MBA from UNC Chapel Hill. During his working career following his graduation from UNC, he has managed projects for the Florida DOT, Florida Turnpike, Jacksonville Transportation Authority in Jacksonville, Florida, York County's Pennies for Progress Program and the North Carolina DOT. Mr. Eberspeaker is a registered Professional Engineer North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida and is a Certified Construction Manager by the Construction Management Association of America.

Experience Highlights

- » Brings experience, respect, and strong relationships with NCDOT Business Units and Municipalities statewide.
- » Experience with a number of municipal and state transportation agencies in numerous states

RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE

NC 51 Improvements, Pineville, NC. Principal in Charge.

Old Salisbury Road Slope Stabilization, Winston-Salem, NC. Principal in Charge.



quick facts

Office: Rock Hill, SC

Availability: 50%

Hunter Edwards

Construction Inspector

8 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

2 YEARS WITH KCI

Hunter has been a construction inspector with KCI for two years. He is currently the inspector for the Town of Pineville's NC 51/Main Street Improvements project and prior to that he was an inspector for the NCDOT's 2.65 miles long, \$31 million, NC Hwy 3 (Mooresville Road) widening project in Kannapolis, NC. Before joining KCI, Mr. Edwards worked for a concrete supply company in Charlotte and Statesville where he was a concrete quality control technician. In this role he became highly proficient in concrete testing, problem diagnosis and trouble shooting. Earlier in his career he was an inspector on various road and bridge construction projects for the Maryland Transit Authority including emergency projects in multiple transit systems such as the Baltimore Metro, Baltimore Light-Rail, Baltimore Bus Link, and MARC Stations. His other project experience includes the project to rehabilitate Beach Drive from Rock Creek Parkway to the Maryland State Line in Washington, DC, the Van Buren Street Extension project in Riverdale Park, Maryland and the Kennedy Street Rehabilitation project, Washington DC. Mr. Edwards is NCDOT certified as a concrete testing technician, conventional density technicians, roadway asphalt field technician and erosion control inspector.

Experience Highlights

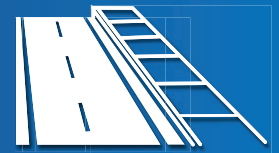
- » NCDOT certified as a concrete testing technician, conventional density technicians, roadway asphalt field technician and erosion control inspector
- » Worked for a concrete supply company in Charlotte and Statesville where he was a concrete quality control technician and became highly proficient in concrete testing, problem diagnosis and trouble shooting

RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE

NC 51 Improvements, Pineville, NC. Lead Technician.

Old Salisbury Road Slope Stabilization, Winston-Salem, NC. Lead Technician.

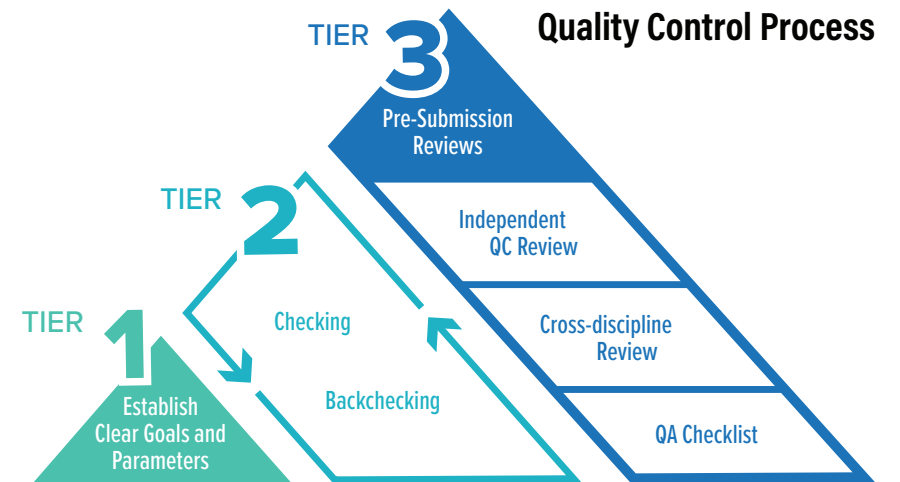
4. project management & quality control



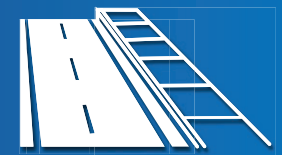
David Eberspaker will continue to support the Town of Pineville as needed on both the Main Street and Polk Street projects. Project Management assistance will include preconstruction support, change order review, contractor progress payment review, dispute resolution, quality verification, and project final inspection and closeout. Mr. Edward's experience as a concrete quality control technician for a ready-mix concrete producer makes him an exceptionally qualified field technician for this project. He is able to ensure proper pour site preparation, diagnose problems with the delivered concrete, ensure proper placement and curing of the concrete. Mr. Edwards is certified by NCDOT as a concrete testing technician and is certified by the American Concrete Institute as a ACI Field Testing Technician – Grade I.

ECS will provide lab support. They have a certified lab and experienced certified lab technicians who will conduct the required tests on the concrete compressive strength cylinders delivered to their lab. ECS will conduct compressive strength testing to ensure that quality concrete was used on the project. Upon completing lab testing of the cylinders, ECS will provide a written report to KCI's project manager and field technician. Copies of the report will be provided to the Public Works Director and filed in the project filing system.

KCI manages costs, schedule and client expectations, which is part of KCI's overall Quality Management Process that ensures a high quality product that meets schedule and budget restrictions. The process includes tiers that establish the goals and parameters along with the checking, back-checking and independent QC and QA reviews that ensure a high quality deliverable. KCI uses checklists that the client requires, but we also have internal checklists and tracking spreadsheets that ensure the quality management process is documented in writing.



5. project understanding & approach



PROJECT UNDERSTANDING & APPROACH

The South Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project includes the construction of approximately 1,540 linear feet of new sidewalk connecting the existing sidewalk at Sabal Point Drive to the existing sidewalk section at the car wash property approximately 450 linear feet north of Carolina Place Parkway. The construction will be along the west side of South Polk Drive. The sidewalk will vary in width from five to six feet based on site conditions.



South end of the project looking north where the new sidewalk will be connected to the existing sidewalk at the car wash property.

The consultant's scope of services will include providing construction inspection and project management services. During construction, KCI's field technician will confirm layout dimensions, conduct pre-pour inspections of the forms and ground preparation, monitor concrete placement by the construction contractor, monitor proper finishing and curing procedures, form removal and grading, and soil stabilization measures. KCI's inspector will review the contractor's payment applications and make recommendations to KCI's project manager. The project manager will assist the Town of Pineville's Public Works Director, Chip Hill, in preparing for and conducting the preconstruction meeting, unless this is within the scope of services of the design consultant. Our project manager will review the contractor's pay applications and make recommendations to the

Town of Pineville Public Works Director. The final version of contractor pay applications will be routed for signatures, including the Town of Pineville's Finance Director Christopher Tucker, using DocuSign. KCI's PM will also assist with reviewing and resolving construction issues, change orders, and contractor's requests for information. He will also assist with the project final inspection and close out.



Utilities along the path of the new sidewalk. View is looking north across Sable Park Drive.

KCI's field technicians will establish communications with the construction contractor's project superintendent and monitor work plans through him. The technicians will also monitor environmental issues and conduct any inspections required by the project permits. The inspector will act as the project manager and Public Works Director's eyes and ears on the project. He will keep detailed documentation of daily work activities, equipment utilized, weather conditions and any conflicts that impact work progress.



Sewer line manhole and side drain culvert at the alignment of the new sidewalk looking north towards Sable Point Drive.



Connection point at the north end of the project at Sanel Point Drive looking south.

CONCLUSION

KCI brings a locally based, experienced, and qualified team to the South Polk Street Sidewalk Extension project. We believe we are well-positioned to conduct the required inspection and materials testing cost-effectively and efficiently. Below, we have summarized why KCI is the best company for supporting the Town of Pineville on the project.

WHY KCI?

LONG HISTORY WITH SUCCESSFUL PROJECT SUPPORT THROUGHOUT NORTH CAROLINA:

Over the past 14 years, KCI has received hundreds of task orders under NCDOT's statewide on-all contract. KCI continues to earn assignments based on our ability to support the projects by providing qualified, certified, dependable, experienced technicians and engineers to ensure the successful of each project. KCI's portfolio of project includes state and local agencies across North Carolina.

PROJECT TEAM: Our team members, David Eberspeaker and Hunter Edwards, have been providing project management and inspection support since the beginning of the Town of Pineville's NC 51/Main Street Improvement project and have worked closely with the Town's Public Works Director, Chip Hill. Mr. Edwards will benefit the project by bringing his significant experience with concrete batching, placement, testing, and curing procedures. KCI has additional resources in the Charlotte area and in South Carolina if needed. We have the depth to cover the work.



PROJECT MANAGEMENT APPROACH:

KCI has provided and will continue to provide hands-on support for the Main Street and Polk Street projects. Our management team is highly experienced with NCDOT policies and procedures and we have relationships with NCDOT personnel in the Charlotte area that will benefit the project.

**NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PRIME CONSULTANT
TO BE USED WITH PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT ONLY
RACE AND GENDER NEUTRAL**


South Polk Sidewalk Extension - Construction Engineering and Inspection Services

TIP No. and/or Type of Work (Limited Services)

KCI Associates of North Carolina, PA

(Consultant/Firm Name ONLY -- Include NO PII (Personally Identifiable Information))

<i>SERVICE / ITEM DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>Anticipated Utilization</i>
Line Code 00195	100%

TOTAL UTILIZATION:	100%
RECOMMENDED BY:	
CONSULTANT:	
David Eberspacher, PE, CCM	
*BY:	
Vice President	
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**“PRIME CONSULTANT” (FORM RS-2)
RACE AND GENDER NEUTRAL**

Instructions for completing the Form RS-2:

1. Complete a Prime Consultant Form RS-2 for the prime consultant firm.
2. Insert TIP Number and/or Type of Work (Limited Services)
3. Complete the Consultant/Firm name for the primary firm information.
4. Enter Service/Item Description – describe work to be performed by the Prime Firm
5. Enter Anticipated Utilization – Insert dollar value or percent of work to the Prime Firm
6. *Signature of the Prime Consultant is **required** on each RS-2 Form to be submitted with the Letter of Interest (LOI) to be considered for selection
7. Complete “SPSF Status” section - Check the appropriate box regarding SPSF Status, check Yes if SPSF or No if not SPSF

Appendix A

RFQ Number (if applicable): South Polk Sidewalk Extension - Construction Engineering and Inspection Services

Name of Vendor or Bidder: KCI Associates of North Carolina, PA

IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT CERTIFICATION **REQUIRED BY N.C.G.S. 143C-6A-5(a)**

As of the date listed below, the vendor or bidder listed above is not listed on the Final Divestment List created by the State Treasurer pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-6A-4.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he or she is authorized by the vendor or bidder listed above to make the foregoing statement.



7/26/2024

Signature

Date

David Eberspaker, PE, CCM

Vice President

Printed Name

Title

Notes to persons signing this form:

N.C.G.S. 143C-6A-5(a) requires this certification for bids or contracts with the State of North Carolina, a North Carolina local government, or any other political subdivision of the State of North Carolina. The certification is required at the following times:

- When a bid is submitted
- When a contract is entered into (if the certification was not already made when the vendor made its bid)
- When a contract is renewed or assigned

N.C.G.S. 143C-6A-5(b) requires that contractors with the State, a North Carolina local government, or any other political subdivision of the State of North Carolina must not utilize any subcontractor found on the State Treasurer's Final Divestment List.

The State Treasurer's Final Divestment List can be found on the State Treasurer's website at the address www.nctreasurer.com/iran