COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Fire and Emergency Services	Presenter(s):	M. Allen McCullough
Meeting Date:	Thursday, October 11, 2012	Type of Request:	Consent

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of staff's request to award Bid #846- Conex Box for Burn Building (Project No. 3270A) to Containers Unlimited, LLC, in the amount of $31,045.00, for the purchase of a Conex Box for the Training Center's Burn Building, and authorization for the Chairman to sign the contract or related documents contingent upon the County Attorney's review.

Background/History/Details:

Fayette County's burn building, which was constructed in the mid 1980s, has allowed firefighter training for live fire situations since its completion. During the later part of 2011, it was discovered that the ceiling of the first floor has begun to delaminate, allowing for the exposure of steel reinforcement to heat and moisture which causes rusting. Due to the level of delaminating, and similar problems in the basement several years ago, the building will be limited to the training for search and non-fire operations only. Due to the deteriorating condition of the building, Fire and Emergency Services has concluded that money would be better spent on purchasing a Conex Box in order to continue fire training. The Conex Box will be placed on a concrete pad next to the burn building. It is an 8' by 40' steel shipping container, modified with double doors at one end and a 36" full-height opening on the opposite end. it will have a double-wall burn room with fire brick on the floor.

Bid #846 was direct-mailed by the Purchasing Department to 12 vendors and was further extended via the Fayette Daily News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace, and Channel 23. After only one vendor initially responded to the bid, Bid #846 was reissued and only two vendors responded. The low bidder, Containers Unlimited, is recommended to be awarded Bid #846 in the amount of $31,045.00.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

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If this item requires funding, please describe:

Funds for this request have been budgeted in Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) Account Number 270-90110-610375-3270A.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?*	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

**** All audio-visual material must be submitted to the County Clerk's Office no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. It is also your department's responsibility to ensure all third-party audio-visual material is submitted at least 48 hours in advance.***

Approved by Finance	Yes	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Yes	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

Finance - $65,000 is budgeted in project 3270A. Will the remaining project funding of $33,935 be needed or can this be transferred back to the Fire Fund Balance?

Fayette County GEORGIA

Where Quality Is A Lifestyle

To: Board of Commissioners

From: M. Allen McCullough, Fire Chief
Director of Public Safety

Date: September 25, 2012

Subject: Bid Number 846

Background/History/Details:

The burn building was constructed in the mid-80s. This building has allowed firefighter training for live fire situations since completion. During the latter part of 2011, it was discovered that the ceiling of the first floor had begun to delaminate. This allows the exposure of the steel reinforcement to heat and moisture and starts the rusting process. This same process occurred in the basement several years ago and prevents the use of this area for burning. Due to the level of delaminating this will limit the use of the building to search and non-fire operations only.

Engineers that specialize in burn training facilities were contacted by phone and given the description of this problem. During this contact, an estimate of cost was requested to come on site and review the building. This cost averaged $5,000. Given the feedback and the site evaluation cost, the department has concluded that this money would be better earmarked for alternative plans since the consensus was that the building would be recommended for condemnation after the completion of the engineering reports.

The department receives credit from the Insurance Services Office (ISO) for having this training facility. Without this credit, some re-evaluation of final score could be considered by ISO. To meet the short-term needs for State of Georgia training requirements and ISO the department has explored options to maintain the ability to burn. This alternative would be the use of a Conex box placed in the area of the building for the purpose of burning.

Approved in the 2013 Budget is Project No. 3270A for the addition of the box and the set up for use.

It is the recommendation of Fire and Emergency Services that Bid No. 846 be accepted for this project.

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Fayette County GEORGIA

Where Quality Is A Lifestyle

To: Jack Krakeel

From: Ted L. Burgess

Date: September 26, 2012

Subject: Bid #846 – Conex Box for Burn Building

Fire Services has a concrete burn building located on Volunteer Way in Fayetteville. It is used for training firefighters. Because of its deteriorating condition, the Department has decided to procure a conex box, to be placed on a concrete pad, and placed adjacent to the burn building, to use as an auxiliary fire training structure. It will be an 8' by 40' steel shipping container, modified with double doors at one end and a 36" full-height opening on the opposite end. It will have a double-wall burn room with fire brick on the floor.

The Purchasing Department issued Invitation to Bid #846 to procure the modified conex box. Invitations were direct-mailed to 12 vendors. In addition, invitations were extended via the Fayette News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace (www.glga.org), and Channel 23.

Only one vendor responded with a bid. Investigation into the low response led to the understanding that this is a product with limited demand, and most vendors supply only un-modified containers.

The invitation to bid was sent out a second time. This time 2 vendors responded to the invitation to bid (please see the attached spread sheet).

The low bidder was $31,045 from Containers Unlimited, LLC. Fire / EMS recommends award of the bid to that vendor. I support their recommendation.

Attachment

BID NUMBER: _____ #846 _____

BID NAME: __FIRE & EMS CONEX BOX_

	COMPANY	TOTAL BID	PAYMENT TERMS OR EXCEPTIONS
1.	CONTAINERS UNLIMITED LLC	$31,045	0.5% TEN DAYS NET 30 DAYS
2.	FIRE TRAINING STRUCTURES, LLC	$32,950 WITHOUT OPTIONS	**OPTION 1**: $1,850.00 - TWO ZONE ELCTRONIC TEMPERATURE MONITORING SYSTEM THAT WILL RELAY INTERIOR AMBIENT AIR TEMPERATURE TO AN EXTERIOR MOUNTED DATA LOSSER. **OPTION 2**: $2,850.00 - ONE DAY TRAIN THE TRAINER COURSE FOR UP TO 12 PEOPLE, INCLUDING LIVE FIRE TRAINING WITH A CERTIFIED FIRE INSTRUCTOR.

BID #846

FIRE & EMS CONEX BOX

PRICING SHEET

DESCRIPTION	TOTAL BID PRICE
CONEX BOX	$ 31045.00

NOTE: All applicable charges shall be included in your total bid price, e.g. conex box, delivery, set-up and any other charges. No additional charges will be allowed after the bid opening.

STATE DELIVERY TIME AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER 90 DAYS.

STATE PAYMENT TERMS 0.5% Ten Days Net 30 Days

STATE LENGTH AND NATURE OF WARRANTY, IF ANY 1 year on Workmanship and Parts

COMPANY NAME: Containers Unlimited LLC

EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS

Containers Unlimited LLC takes no exceptions to the specifications we are intending to supply the unit per the Specification

The container to be supplied will be a New One trip Container not a used Container

Company Name Containers Unlimited LLC

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATION SHEET – BID #846 Fire & EMS Conex Box

Please list three (3) references of current or very recent customers who can verify the quality of service your company provides. Projects of similar size and scope are preferred.

REFERENCE ONE

Government/Company Name U.S Air Force (Containers Unlimited LLC DBA G and S Services)

City Homestead Florida

Contact Person and Title RUBEN DIAZ-GONZALEZ

Phone (305) 224-6345, 6347 or 5405 PH Contract Period Apr 2011

Scope of Work (4) 40 ft Containers Modified to an office configuration

REFERENCE TWO

Government/Company Name US Army (Containers Unlimited LLC DBA G and S Services

City Vicksburg Ms

Contact Person and Title Brandy Ellison

Phone 601 634 4679 Contract Period Feb 2011

Scope of Work Conversion of 4 20 ft Connex containers into test Offices

REFERENCE THREE

Government/Company Name US Army Containers Unlimited LLC DBA G and S Services)

City Ft Lee Va

Contact Person and Title Ms Myra Newcomb

Phone 804 765 1421 Contract Period Mar 2012

Scope of Work Conversion of 20 ft Connex containers to a Modified Office

INFORMATION PAGE

Company Containers Unlimited LLC

Authorized Representative Gina C Hasty
(Print or Type)

Authorized Representative
(Signature)

Title President

Physical Address Of Business 5001 US Highway 17 N Bldg No 273 Bartow Fl 33830

Mailing Address(**If Different**)

Telephone Number: (813) 433 -1112

Cellular Number: (863) 409 3146

Fax Number: (813) 433 1014

Email Address: hasty110@comcast.net

If you do not submit a bid, please indicate in writing your reason(s) why and return that information to the Purchasing Department. Failure to do so may cause your company's name to be removed from the bidders list, as the information is needed for our files.

FOR 2013 13 JOURNAL DETAIL 2013 1 TO 2013 13

	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMES	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENC/REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
27090110 TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS							
610375 TRANSFERS TO CIP PROJECTS							
3270A FIRE/BURN BUILDING (CONEX BOXES)							
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37530550 FIRE SERVICES							
390270 TRANSFER FROM FIRE FUND							
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3270A FIRE/BURN BUILDING (CONEX BOXES)							
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FOR 2013 13 JOURNAL DETAIL 2010 1 TO 2013 13

	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENC/REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
TOTAL FIRE SERVICES	0	0	0	20.00	.00	-20.00	100.0%
TOTAL REVENUES	0	0	-65,000	.00	.00	-65,000.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	0	0	65,000	20.00	.00	64,980.00	
GRAND TOTAL	65,000	0	65,000	20.00	.00	64,980.00	.0%

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