



## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Director, Purchasing and Contract Compliance

**FROM:** Joseph Davis, Director, DREAM *JD*

**DATE:** October 11, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation Award – ITB #22ITB135136C-MH, Testing and Repair of Backflow Devices-FY2023

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**Recommendation:** We are recommending approval of the lowest bidder for, ITB #22ITB135136C-MH, Testing and Repair of Backflow Devices in the amount of \$270,000 with B & W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (Lawrenceville, GA), to provide on-site testing and repair of approximately 183 backflow preventive (BFP) devices for required maintenance on an “as-needed” basis for the Fulton County facilities. Effective dates: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, with two renewal options.

**DISCUSSION:** The recommendation for the award was based on the bidders’ prices for testing for approximately 183 total devices and per hourly labor charges for repairing backflow devices to determine the lowest bidder for each of the three (3) geographical zones (Central, North, and South) in Fulton County facilities; and totaling up all costs for all three zones and per hour labor charge for Based Bid Amount to determine the lowest responsible bidder(s) complying with the provisions of this ITB.

The recommendation was also be based on the bidder’s submittal of required valid Master II Plumber’s License issued by the State of Georgia. Additionally, the licensed plumber shall have taken and completed a course of study in the repair of backflow preventers for repair of BFPs.

Recommendation:

The County received and evaluated one (1) bid response to the solicitation. B & W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. submitted the only responsible and responsive bid. Therefore, we recommend B & W Mechanical the award to provide on-site testing and repair of approximately 183 backflow preventive (BFP) devices for required maintenance on an “as-needed” basis for Fulton County facilities for Fulton County for FY2023.

Recommended Bidder	Base Bid Amount	Award Authority
B & W Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$18,879.00	\$270,000.00

B & W Mechanical Contractors, Inc have a current contract with Fulton County and have performed very good as a Backflow Maintenance Contractor for Fulton County as stated in their performance report.

This is a time and materials contract. The requested spending authority in the amount of \$270,000 will cover the parts and labor for annual testing and repairs of approximately 183 various types of installed backflow prevention (BFP) located in Fulton County facilities for FY2023. We also have identified and implementing a plan to replace DCV and DCVA Backflow Preventers in Central and Greater Fulton. The existing devices cannot be rebuilt and will require replacement to maintain compliance with current code requirements.

Authorized Signature: *Joseph Davis*  
Joseph N. Davis Date: 10/11/2022  
**(By Director/Deputy Director)**

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