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**FORSYTH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: APRIL 25, 2019

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 7

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION SELECTING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH S&ME, INC., TO PERFORM GEOTECHNICAL AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING FOR THE FORSYTH COUNTY NEW COURTHOUSE (GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____
COUNTY MANAGER

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WHEREAS Forsyth County staff announced the County's requirements for geotechnical and construction materials testing services for the New Courthouse project consistent with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 143-64.31;

WHEREAS Forsyth County Staff issued a Request for Qualifications in order to identify qualified firms to provide geotechnical and construction materials testing services on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification to provide these professional services without regard to a fee pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-64.31;

WHEREAS Forsyth County received five responses to the Request for Qualifications from geotechnical and construction materials testing firms;

WHEREAS responses were received from S&ME, Inc., Nova Engineering, ECS Southeast, LLP, Geo Hydro Engineers, and Kleinfelder;

WHEREAS the selection committee comprised of General Services staff selected S&ME, Inc. as the best qualified firm to provide professional geotechnical and construction materials testing services;

WHEREAS subject to approval by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, Forsyth County staff thereafter negotiated a contract with S&ME, Inc., for professional services at a fair and reasonable fee of \$61,100.00, for the geotechnical scope of services; and

WHEREAS the construction materials testing scope of services will be negotiated after completion of the design development documents by CJMW Architecture, P.A.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby selects S&ME, Inc., to provide professional geotechnical and construction materials testing services for the Forsyth County New Courthouse Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman or County Manager and Clerk to the Board to execute a contract, on behalf of Forsyth County, with S&ME, Inc., for professional geotechnical at \$61,100.00, and construction materials testing services at a negotiated amount not to exceed a lump sum fee of \$1,410,900.00, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of Forsyth County, subsequent contracts and contract amendments with S&ME, Inc. to provide services on the Forsyth County New Courthouse project within budgeted appropriations in the current and future fiscal years if these services are deemed necessary, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the County Chief Financial Officer, where applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 25th day of April 2019.