

Legislation Text

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## Alachua County Courthouse Connector Project Construction Contract (B)

## This item is a request to authorize the City Manager to approve the construction contract from J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc. for the Alachua County Courthouse Connector Project.

This project proposes a storm sewer connection from the section of SW 3rd Avenue from SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to South Main Street to allow the runoff from the watershed that includes the Alachua County Courthouse to discharge to the Depot Park Stormwater Pond facilities. This connection was not allowed by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) when the Courthouse was originally constructed due to a lack of capacity in the existing storm system along Main Street. The Courthouse was temporarily permitted to discharge to the SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Stormwater Park. Now that the Main Street system is being upgraded the connection has been approved for construction.

Public Works staff is requesting to utilize J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc., as a specified source for the Alachua County Courthouse Connector Project. They are currently reconstructing Main Street for FDOT. Utilizing the same contractor will allow the work to be more easily coordinated with that project, and work will be completed faster and more economically since the contractor is already mobilized in the area and has proposed to complete the work without adding time to the Main Street reconstruction work.

Staff has reviewed the cost proposal from J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc., and has found it to be reasonable and in-line with unit prices obtained through recently competitively bid projects.

Funding in the amount of \$114,500.25 plus a 15% contingency amount for a total of \$131,675.28 is allocated from the Stormwater Management Utility Fund.

The City Commission: 1) authorize the City Manager to approve the sole source construction proposal from J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc. for the Alachua County Courthouse Connector Project; 2) execute the construction contract and related documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality; and 3) issue a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$131,675.28.