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Bid Award for the Renovation of an ADA Restroom for Fire Station # 7 and a 430 Square Foot Addition that Includes an ADA Restroom, an Extra Bedroom, and a Weight Room (B)

When most of Gainesville Fire Rescue's fire stations were constructed, they were not effectively designed for men and women firefighters. Station 1 and Station 3 received modifications that addressed living arrangements and fixed the department's restroom and privacy issues. Women's restroom and bunkroom cubicles were constructed. Fire Station 2 was originally constructed with gender specific restrooms.

As a result of an Equal Opportunity complaint in FY 2000, former City Manager Wayne Bowers formed a representative committee of fire rescue members who met to identify issues and recommend solutions. This committee identified Stations 4, 5 and 7 with insufficient restroom facilities and privacy arrangements. Mr. Bowers began identifying funding for the upgrades. The cost for the three stations was estimated to be \$200,000 in FY 2001.

The Facilities Management Department is renovating the existing restrooms at Fire Station # 7 to upgrade to ADA standards, and adding one ADA restroom designated for female staff. The 430 square foot addition will add one additional bedroom and a weight room. The Purchasing Division solicited bids from 594 vendors, with 9 vendors attending a pre-bid conference held at Fire Station # 7 on June 27, 2005. On July 14, 2005, one vendor submitted a bid, and two no-bids were also received. The Oelrich Construction, Inc. bid was evaluated and found to be in compliance with specifications.

The Fire Department has \$75,000 available in account # 9999 328 820 720 M600 6020 5190.  
The balance will come from Facilities Management Departments account # 9999 332 910 M627 6020 5220.

The City Commission award the issuance of a Purchase Order to Oelrich Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$138,050 that includes a 10% contingency for the renovation of ADA restrooms for Fire Station # 7 and the 430 square foot addition.