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Subject: Invitation to Bid #923-B: Asphalt Milling Price Contract

Asphalt milling (also called cold planing, pavement milling, or profiling) is the process of removing part of the surface of a paved road or other area. This can remove distresses from the road surface, and lengthen roadway life.

Prior to 2013, the Road Department would solicit prices each time they needed asphalt milling done. On February 7, 2013 the county executed a contract with Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction, Inc. for this service on an as-needed basis. At the time, two companies bid. The contract was awarded to Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction, Inc.

The Road Department decided to seek a new price contract for asphalt milling for Fiscal Year 2016. The Purchasing Department released Invitation to Bid #923-B to seek a contract for as needed milling. Notices of the opportunity were direct-mailed to six companies. Another 94 were contacted through the web-based Georgia Procurement Registry. In addition, invitations were extended via the Fayette News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace (www.glga.org), and Channel 23.

This time, Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction, Inc. submitted the only bid. However, most of the unit price bids were actually the same as, or lower than those the same company had bid two years before, as shown below:

	Est Qty	Unit Of Measure	Previous Bid		Current Bid	
			Miller Group, Inc.	Paving & Concrete Constr.	Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction, Inc.	
					Bid Unit Price	Extended Bid Price
A. Street Milling						
10,000 SY & Under	40	Hours	600.00	485.00	485.00	19,400.00
10,001 to 30,000 SY	30,000	Sq Yds	1.65	2.40	1.16	34,800.00
30,001 to 60,000 SY	31,000	Sq Yds	1.65	1.90	1.02	31,620.00
60,001 & Over SY	61,000	Sq Yds	1.65	1.80	0.85	51,850.00
Total Street Milling						137,670.00
B. Milling for Patching						
Six-foot wide miller	80	Hours	600.00	485.00	485.00	38,800.00
Four-foot wide miller	10	Hours	500.00	450.00	450.00	4,500.00
Total Milling for Patching						43,300.00
C. Asphalt Milling Mobilization						
Initial Mobilization	8	Each	1,000.00	600.00	550.00	4,400.00
Subsequent Mobil.	6	Each	1,000.00	300.00	300.00	1,800.00
Total Mobilization						6,200.00
D. Optional Items (for use on milling projects only if elected by the county to perform these tasks)						
Vacuum Sweeper Truck	10	Hours	180.00	125.00	120.00	1,200.00
Skid Steer Milling	10	Hours	350.00	125.00	90.00	900.00
Traffic Control	10	Hours	50.00	100.00	105.00	1,050.00
Clean-Up	10	Hours	550.00	270.00	265.00	2,650.00
Contractor Haul-Off	10	Hours			80.00	800.00
Total Optional Items						6,600.00
Total All Items						193,770.00

In discussion with the Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction after the bid opening, she stated that they and The Miller Group are the only two companies in Georgia that make their milling machines available for this purpose. While a number of paving companies own milling machines, they use them in fulfilling their own road construction contracts. She said the milling machines cost \$1 million each, and have an economical useful life of only 5,000 hours, after which they become expensive to maintain. She further observed that The Miller Group had gone outside of Georgia to find work, leaving them unavailable to bid on this contract.

Based on the apparently favorable prices bid by Atlanta Paving & Concrete Construction, I recommend that the county award the contract to them. The not-to-exceed value is \$193,770. Funds are budgeted in account 10040220-521316. As of 2/25/2015 there is a current-year balance in that account of \$905,656.06.