February 13, 2014

Dear Commissioners,

We opened bids today for the asbestos abatement project within the “Whittaker” building. (Project #FM14001). A-Central asbestos informed the county in the early afternoon that they would not be placing a bid. 3 Kings Environmental and IRS Environmental were the only other contractors who performed the mandatory walkthrough. Their Bids were opened at 3:05. The bids had both a “Base” or primary bid and an “Alternate” bid for performing the work in a different manner. The bid award is being awarded as per the “Base” bid and 3 Kings was the low bidder with a cost of $76,300.

The RFB Package clearly delineated the requirements for the bid submittal process. Specifically in section (2) a statement is written that a company must submit one original and (2) two copies in a sealed envelope. IRS whose base bid was higher ($86,125) is also considered non-responsive as only one original was included and the two copies which were clearly noted in the RFB packet were not.

Based on the lower base bid cost and the non-responsive bid from IRS I recommend 3 Kings environmental be awarded this contract. Furthermore, from a design perspective, possibility of future remodels, or building maintenance I would strongly recommend the award of the alternate bid ($82,500) for the future needs and constructive access to the building.

Sincerely,

Tom Gaines

DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES & MAINTENANCE