

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: April 2, 2007

SUBJECT: CAUSE Unit Construction

ATTACHMENTS: No

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

This agenda item is being presented as a follow-up to the Board's regular meeting on January 17, 2007 regarding the upfit of the Human Services Building to accommodate the CAUSE Unit. We have received a proposal from Cooper Construction and a quote from Ron Pressley for the associated cabling to complete the project. Cooper's cost for the upfit is \$289,982 and Pressley's quote is \$8,950, with the construction total of \$298,932.

Because this project falls under the \$300,000 threshold as established in G.S. 143-129, formal bidding is not required. This threshold applies to the total cost of the project, therefore the County may contract with Cooper for construction and Ron Pressley for cabling.

Project expenses, such as FF&E, signage and security for this project are estimated to cost \$84,000 based on staff's preliminary estimates. These project expenses are not required to be included in the construction bid and formal bidding for these expenses is not required.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff requests that the Board of Commissioners award the construction bid for the CAUSE Unit upfit to Cooper Construction and the cabling bid to Ron Pressley, with bids totaling \$298,932. Further, staff requests Board approval of project expenses not to exceed \$84,000.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board of Commissioners award the construction bid for the CAUSE Unit upfit to Cooper Construction for \$298,982, the cabling bid to Ron Pressley for \$8,950 and project expenses not to exceed \$84,000.