

**ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

ACTION AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT
Meeting Date: June 16, 2009

Action Agenda
Item No. 4-U

SUBJECT: Asbestos Abatement at Former Animal Shelter Building

DEPARTMENT: Public Works, Purchasing

PUBLIC HEARING: (Y/N)

ATTACHMENT(S):

INFORMATION CONTACT:

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PURPOSE: To approve a contract with EHG (Environmental Holdings Group LLC) of Morrisville, NC for abatement of asbestos containing materials at the former Animal Shelter located off of Municipal Drive in Chapel Hill.

BACKGROUND: Animal Services including shelter operations recently relocated to the new Animal Services Center on Eubanks Road in Chapel Hill. The former Animal Shelter building located off of Municipal Drive in Chapel Hill has been closed and must be demolished or deconstructed. The building, although owned by Orange County, sits on property that has been leased from UNC Chapel Hill. The building was constructed in several phases, with the oldest dating to 1979, and later additions in 1987 and 1990. Some sheet vinyl flooring and adhesive for flooring in the building were found to contain asbestos.

The Public Works and Purchasing Departments have been investigating options for demolition of the building. Regardless of the option selected for demolition, asbestos containing materials must first be abated in keeping with NC-DHHS, EPA and OSHA rules and regulations.

EHG of Morrisville, NC, which recently completed abatement work at the New Courthouse in Hillsborough as part of the courthouse renovation process, provided a quote for abatement of approximately 1,600 square feet of asbestos-containing flooring and flooring adhesive from the building for the sum of \$6,050. All work will be performed in keeping with NC-DHHS, EPA and OSHA rules and regulations.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: EHG will perform abatement of the asbestos containing materials from the former Animal Shelter for the sum of \$6,050. Funds will be available from the capital account for deconstruction of the Animal Shelter approved by the BOCC on June 2, 2009.

RECOMMENDATION(S): The Manager recommends the Board approve a contract with EHG and authorize the Interim County Manager/Purchasing Director to sign the contract document.