

**CITY OF BETHLEHEM**  
**INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE**

**SUBJECT:** Request for Approval by City Council of Contract Price Increase Pursuant to City Ordinance, Article 121.05 (a)

Project or Contract Reference:  
2018-12 Founders Way and Biafore Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements

**TO:** City Council Members and Council Solicitor

**FROM:** Edward Boscola, P.E. Director – Water and Sewer Resources

**DATE:** January 29, 2019

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On behalf of the Administration, pursuant to City Ordinances, Article 121.05, I request City Council's approval of the following recommendation of the referenced contract award or price increase.

- Check Type of Contract or Change:

The contract is for over \$50,000 and required to be bid under the Third Class City Code. We have advertised the above referenced project and received qualified bids. We recommend award of the contract to the bidder identified and for the reasons stated below.

The recommendation is for a price increase of 10% or more for an existing contract over \$50,000 that was previously bid and awarded under the Third Class City Code.

The contract is for the engagement of professional services. We have received one (1) proposal for professional services in connection with above referenced project. We recommend award of the contract to Wexcon, Inc.

- Is the contract appropriation or price increase included in this year's budget? yes no

2018 Sewer Capital

- Identify contract funding sources (general fund, grants, loans, etc.....):

008A-88007 Act 537 Collection System

- The name and address of the recommended Professional Service Provider are:

Wexcon, Inc.  
379 Tilden Rd.  
Mohrsville PA 19540

- Term of contract or estimated completion date, subject to standard extensions:

April 5, 2019

- Description of project or scope of services to be provided:

Provide materials and labor to install new sanitary sewer main along Founders Way, City of Bethlehem, and replace existing sewer main along Biafore Avenue in Hanover Township, Northampton. County, PA. We are requesting a Change Order to perform soil remediation. After conducting soil testing and chemical analysis, the soil on Founders Way was classified as Residual Waste and must be disposed of off-site at an appropriate facility. The change order increases the contract value by more than 10%

- State the actual or estimated price to the City or the proposed Department budget allowance for the initial term; and state payment rate per unit of service if applicable:

Current contract price: \$233,077.72  
Change order (est): \$ 54,736.50  
Revised contract price: \$287,814.22

Work will be performed on a time and material basis

- Number of renewal term options and duration of each renewal, if any:

N/A

- Maximum dollar value of all renewals provided for beyond the original term as if all renewals were exercised:

N/A

- Reasons for recommendation of Administration and Council approval of contract:  
For soil testing and remediation.

Please approve this recommendation by passing the accompanying resolution. A vote of final approval is requested at the first City Council agenda listing of this matter.

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Copies To: Mayor  
Director of Administration  
Director of Budget and Finance  
Law Bureau  
Purchasing Bureau  
Controller  
Project Manager

By:   
Department Head

Attachment: Proposed resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization for Contract or Amendment under Article 121.05(a)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor and the Controller and/or such other City officials as deemed appropriate by the City Solicitor, are hereby authorized to execute a Contract or Amendment and such other agreements and documents as are deemed by the City Solicitor to be necessary and/or related thereto, with the following named contractor, for the uses and purposes indicated in the supporting Recommendation of Award of Bid or Contract dated 1/29/2019

1. Name of Contractor: Wexcon, Inc.

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Sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_  
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ADOPTED by Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk