

FORSYTH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 1, 2018 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 5 A&B

SUBJECT: A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH EASTERN FOREST CONSULTANTS LLC TO PROVIDE TIMBER MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE WITH THE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF SURPLUS TIMBER ON THE ROLLING HILLS AND C.G. HILLS PROPERTIES

B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND CONVEYANCE BY TIMBER DEED OF STANDING TIMBER ON THE ROLLING HILLS AND C.G. HILLS PROPERTIES AS A TIMBER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AFTER COMPLYING WITH THE PROCEDURES FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS AS PROVIDED IN N.C.G.S. 160A-268

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION: See Attached

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Dudley Watts, Jr.* DATE: January 31, 2018
COUNTY MANAGER

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WHEREAS, the City/County Purchasing Department issued a Request for Proposals to identify forestry consultants to prepare and administer timber sales on the Rolling Hills and C.G. Hills properties consistent with timber management plans that protect the environment and support development goals for each property; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of the County Project Team, Eastern Forest Consultants LLC is being recommended to implement the timber management plans; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fiscal year 2018 timber budget for Rolling Hills timber sale is \$9,000.00 and for C.G. Hills timber sale is \$18,500.00, representing a total proposed County expenditure of \$27,500.00 for both properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes execution by the Chairman or County Manager and the Clerk to the Board of an agreement with Eastern Forest Consultants LLC for the provision for timber management services and assistance with the sale and conveyance of timber on the Rolling Hills and C.G. Hills properties, at an hourly rate of \$45.00, not to exceed \$27,500.00 during fiscal year 2018, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the Chief Financial Officer, where applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 1st day of February 2018.

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TIMBER DEED OF STANDING TIMBER ON THE ROLLING HILLS AND C.G. HILLS
PROPERTIES AS A TIMBER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AFTER
COMPLYING WITH THE PROCEDURES FOR ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED
BIDS AS PROVIDED IN N.C.G.S. 160A-268**

WHEREAS, based on an assessment study conducted by the North Carolina Forestry Service, Forsyth County staff recommends undertaking a timber management program on the County's Rolling Hills and C.G. Hills properties to enhance the quality of the timber; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of the proposed timber management program by the Board of County Commissioners, Forsyth County staff plans to utilize the services of Eastern Forest Consultants LLC, a registered and certified forester and certified arborist, to assist with the timber management program and the sale and conveyance of the timber; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the sale of the timber be conducted after complying with the procedures for advertisement for sealed bids as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-268;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes participation by Forsyth County in timber management plans on the Rolling Hills and C.G. Hills properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the sale and conveyance by Timber Deed of standing timber on the Rolling Hills and C.G. Hills properties after first complying with the procedures for advertisement for sealed bids as provided in N.C.G.S. 160A-268.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman or County Manager and Clerk to the Board to execute the necessary documents to complete the sale and conveyance of the said timber, subject to necessary Board approval, and subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the Chief Financial Officer, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 1st day of February 2018.