BACKGROUND:

Five proposals were submitted for the Vulnerability Assessment Project by Tectonics, O’Brien & Gere, WRA/Baker, ABS Consulting, and Launch Consulting. Representatives from the ACSA, RWSA, the City of Charlottesville, and UVA reviewed the proposals and interviewed three of the five on January 6, 2016. Those three were ABS Consulting, WRA/Baker, and Launch! Consulting, which is a local firm. After conducting interviews, the consensus reached was that Launch! Consulting would be the firm chosen for the project.

Currently, individual Scopes of Work for each entity are being developed based on individual needs and objectives. Launch! Consulting has provided sample scopes that are being used as a template to develop the individual Scopes of Work. ACSA staff met with Linda Warren, CEO of Launch! Consulting on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 to discuss the draft for the Scope of Work for the ACSA.

The ACSA is planning on conducting a Vulnerability Assessment for both the water and sewer systems, an Emergency Response Plan, and a Business Continuity Plan. The other entities are split on the sewer Vulnerability Assessment and the Business Continuity Plan. All of the entities are in agreement on developing a joint Emergency Response Plan and attempting to incorporate it into the Regional Emergency Response Plan where applicable.

Representatives from each entity have spoken with the Albemarle County Police Department, Albemarle County Fire & Rescue, Kirby Felts, the Emergency Management Coordinator, and the local Health Department about participating in the process to provide additional insight, given that they would be involved in the case of an emergency situation. This will also serve as an excellent opportunity for relationship building and expanding communications between the different organizations.
RECOMMENDATION: None.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: None.