

AUTHORIZE THE SECOND RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR  
GROUNDSKEEPING PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the second renewal agreement with Various Vendors to provide Groundskeeping Products and Services to the Department of Facilities at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Financial Section of this report. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Various Vendors during the option period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

Specification Number : 21-038

Contract Administrator : Zimnie, Stephen A / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 97430  
A SAFE HAVEN FOUNDATION  
2750 WEST ROOSEVELT RD.  
CHICAGO, IL 60608  
  
Kris Sokol  
773 435-8395  
  
Ownership: Not for Profit Awarded  
Categories: Green Infrastructure
  
- 2) Vendor # 29091  
CHRISTY WEBBER & COMPANY DBA  
CHRISTY WEBBER LANDSCAPES  
2900 WEST FERDINAND AVE.  
CHICAGO, IL 60612  
  
Ryan Barrett  
312 809-8081  
  
Ownership: For Profit Corporation; Christy  
Webber - 100% Awarded Categories:  
Landscaping Zones - 1-4, 6-11, 13-16, and  
18. Special Properties - Both Closed and  
Vacant Lots

3) Vendor # 18329  
DIAZ GROUP LLC  
2143 W. 51ST PL  
CHICAGO, IL 60609

Enrique Cahue  
773 725-8644

Ownership: Limited Liability Company;  
Ruben Diaz - 25%, Ruben Diaz Jr. - 25%,  
Rafael Diaz - 25%, Antonio Diaz - 25%.  
Awarded Categories - Landscaping Zone 5

USER INFORMATION :

Project  
Manager: 11880 - Facility Opers & Maint - City Wide  
  
42 West Madison Street  
  
Chicago, IL 60602  
  
Rehberg, Caleb M  
  
773-553-2960

PM Contact:  
11880 - Facility Opers & Maint - City Wide  
  
42 West Madison Street  
  
Chicago, IL 60602  
  
Hansen, Ivan  
  
773-553-2960

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:

The original agreement authorized by Board Report 21-0728-PR23 in the amount of \$5,813,995.64 is for a term commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2023, with the Board having three (3) options to renew for one (1) year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2. The First Renewal Agreement authorized by Board Report 23-0824-PR8 in the amount of \$5,000,000 is for a term commencing October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024. The first renewal agreement was further amended (authorized by 23-1214-PR5) to remove references to snow removal and ice melt purchase and delivery from the renewal agreement.

OPTION PERIOD:

The term of this agreement is being renewed for one (1) year commencing October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:

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Landscaping, Maintenance of Special Properties, and Green Infrastructure Services.

**DELIVERABLES:**

Vendor will continue to provide to be responsible for providing the following (applicable where awarded):

- \*Landscaping Services
- \*Maintenance Schedule for Sites Serviced
- \*Service Tickets
- \*Invoices
- \*Before and After Pictures of Special Property Services
- \*Copies of all check charts and logs

**OUTCOMES:**

Vendor's services will result in Board Facilities having properly cared for grounds year-round.

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Chief Facilities Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), the Business Diversity goals for this pool are 40% MBE and 10% WBE. This vendor pool is composed of 3 vendors with 1 MBE, 1 WBE, 1 Not-for Profit. The User group has committed to achieve the Business Diversity goals through the utilization of the certified diverse suppliers and certified diverse subcontractors.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL :**

Fund 230, Department of Facilities, Unit 11880

FY25 - \$3,500,000

FY26 - \$500,000

Not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the one (1) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

