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Committee:	Transit Commission Meeting Date:	
Transit Commission	12/04/25	
ID Number:	Ordinance/Resolution Number (if applicable):	
25-02592		
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Department Submitting:	Common Council Submission Date: 12/16/25	
Department Public Works-Transit		
Agenda Item Title:		
Review and possible action on Shop Uniform and Towel Bid from Vestis.		

Issue Before the Council:

This item is to review and act on the bid for shop uniforms and towels from Vestis (formerly Aramark) for 3 years starting January 9, 2026. Shop uniforms and towels are used by the Transit Maintenance Department. Vestis is the incumbent and has done a satisfactory job.

Vestis was the only bid received. The Vestis bid for Year 1 was about \$500 less (-5.6% decrease) than the current price based on current quantities of uniforms and supplies needed. Year 2 pricing was \$88 higher (1% increase) and Year 3 was \$950 (10.7% increase) higher than current pricing. The total 3 Year bid based on current quantities would be \$27,129.20 which is only \$538 (2%) more than the current prices.

Other vendors such as Cintas and Unifirst were interested in the bid. One submitted a late bid and was rejected. The other vendor wanted Transit to contract directly with them using the State pricing, however that would be in violation of federal procurement requirements. Transit staff encouraged that vendor to bid using the State pricing but did not.

Transit looked into joining the agreement the City Garage has for this service but unfortunately due to federal procurement requirements could not do so. In addition, there are shop items that Transit is looking for that was not in the City Garage agreement and the uniforms varied. For the items that were comparable, the pricing was quite similar. This will be looked into again the next time the City Garage is contracting for the service. The City Garage vendor was sent the bid but did not respond.

Options & Alternatives:

The only option besides approving the bid is to reject the bid and re-bidding, however that is not advisable since the bid received acceptable and bidding again could result in higher pricing

Additional Details:

What is the Strategic Plan Priority this item relates to:

People Centered Development

What impact will this item have on the Strategic Plan Priority?

This service helps the Transit Maintenance Department perform their duties which in turn helps to ensure the fleet and facilities remain operable and clean.

Financial Remarks:

As stated in the details, the bid was for a total of \$27,129.20 for the three years of service based on current quantities which is \$538 (2%) more than the current pricing which would be well below inflation. The first year includes a \$500 decrease over current prices.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval.

Recommended Motion:

Motion to recommend to Council the approval of the bid from Vestis for Shop Uniforms and Towels.

Reviewed By:

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