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Legistar Item:

Alder Mollie Jones, Chair Public Works and Services Committee Racine, WI

Re: Waive Formal Bidding for Contract 2021034 City Hall - IS Server Room AC Replacement

I am requesting that formal bidding procedures be waived for the Replacement of the existing AC Units serving the City Hall – IS Server Room.

The existing AC units are tied into our Johnson Controls Metasys system and the replacements need to remain on this system to provide the necessary temperature control for this area. I received the attached design from Johnson Controls Inc., to replace the existing AAON brand AC units with the newer model AAON AC units. AAON units are designed to handle the needs of a server room, so are the optimal brand to continue with in this area.

The existing AAON units were installed in 2006, so are 15 years old. AC Units typically last 20 years in our area, but this being a server room, these units are required to run year round and not just during the summer months like other AC units, so they have a shorter lifespan

I would request that formal bidding procedures be waived and that the City enter into an agreement with Johnson Controls Inc. for the replacement of the existing AC Units serving the City Hall – IS Server Room at a cost of \$147,958.00. Resolution 0848-20 was approved which allows for the waiving of formal bidding on items pertaining to the Johnson Controls Metasys System, which is a portion of this project.

Funding to defray the cost of these services is available in Org-Object 45040 57200, City Hall – IS Server Room AC Update, which was budgeted at \$175,000 in the 2021 Capital Improvement Program.

Sincerely,

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Thomas M. Eeg Assistant Commissioner of Public Works

Attachment

Cc: John Rooney Ron Pritzlaff Bill Miller Monica Santos