

**AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH AMERESCO, INC FOR ENERGY MANAGEMENT
CONSULTING SERVICES.**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with Ameresco, Inc. to provide energy management services to the Department of Facilities at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to RFP No. 5553859 issued by the City of Chicago. Subsequently, Ameresco, Inc. and the City of Chicago entered into an Energy Management & Advisory Service Agreement (Contract # 81222). The Board desires to purchase these services based upon that Agreement between Ameresco and the City of Chicago pursuant to Board Rule 7-4(b) which authorizes the Board to purchase non-biddable and biddable items through contracts entered into between another governmental entity and its vendor. A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendor and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of this written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification Number : City Of Chicago - Service Agreement (Contract # 81222)

Contract Administrator : Miranda Martinez, Paul / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 97803
AMERESCO, INC
111 SPEEN STREET., STE 410
FRAMINGHAM, MA 01701

Doug Mitchell
508 661-2200

Ownership: For profit corporation: George P. Sakellaris - 75% Class A and Class B common stock and approximately 40% in the economic interest in Ameresco, Inc. outstanding Class A and Class B common stock.

USER INFORMATION :

Project
Manager: 11880 - Facility Opers & Maint - City Wide

42 West Madison Street

Chicago, IL 60602

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773-553-2960

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TERM:

The term of this agreement is for three (3) years commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026. This agreement shall have no options to renew.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The Vendor will provide CPS with energy consulting services which include an energy data management system, monthly utility bill validation (approximately 3,131 accounts). The Vendor will be responsible for auditing all CPS utility invoices each month, identifying any errors and assisting CPS in rectifying these errors with the utility provider. The Vendor will be responsible for providing an online energy management system that will provide CPS with actual monthly usage and cost data. The Vendor will be responsible for managing and updating CPS's EPA Energy Star Portfolio Manager account each month and making the required annual submissions on performance to the City every year as part of its Energy Star performance reporting ordinance. The Vendor will be responsible for providing CPS with experienced consulting services around natural gas and electric supply procurement ensuring a risk-managed approach to purchasing approximately \$50 million in electricity and natural gas each year.

DELIVERABLES:

An online energy management system that will continue to provide CPS with actual monthly usage and cost data, monthly validated utility invoice accounts payable reports for all CPS accounts, EPA Energy Star portfolio manager updates and site management, monthly energy procurement performance reports, active monitoring of markets and Board's energy purchase needs based on position and market fluctuation, quarterly CPS Energy Hedging Committee market meeting updates.

OUTCOMES:

The Vendor will continue to ensure the accurate payment of utility invoices. It will enable CPS to be in compliance with the City's annual Energy Star Portfolio Manager ordinance. Vendor's energy consulting services will also result in the capability to access energy usage data that is essential when forecasting energy supply purchasing, budgeting, and benchmarking for our schools. The energy consulting services will provide CPS with the required expert and technical analysis required to assist the CPS Energy Hedging Committee in managing the Board's energy purchasing strategy.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid during this option period as follows:
Estimated annual cost for this option period are set forth below:
\$192,500, FY24
\$385,000, FY25
\$385,000, FY26
\$192,500, FY27

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

None.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Facilities Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this 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 goals for this contract are 30% MBE and 7% WBE. The Office of Business Diversity has granted a partial waiver and the Prime vendors have committed to the participation goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE of applicable spend. The vendor has scheduled the following firms:

Total MBE: 30%

Shelton Solutions, Inc
7643 South Indiana Ave
Chicago, IL 60619
Ownership: Kelly Shelton

Total WBE: 7%

Design Verification International
1016 W Jackson Blvd
Chicago IL, 60607
Ownership: Gwendolyn Morrison

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 230, Department of Facilities, Unit 11880
\$192,500 FY24
\$385,000 FY25
\$385,000 FY26
\$192,500 FY27
Not to exceed \$1,155,000 for the three (3) year term.
Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval

CFDA#: Not Applicable

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).

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ
Acting Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



RUCHI VERMA
General Counsel