



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Facilities and Fleet

Vendor: Blossman Services, Inc., Ocean Springs, Mississippi

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Propane Autogas and Gasoline Systems, Training, and Parts for Repair

Contract Value: \$250,000.00

Contract Period: Thirty-six (36) months

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2024, \$150,000.00, FY 2025, \$50,000.00, FY 2026, \$50,000.00

Accounts: CCF Corporate, Equipment Supplies and Maintenance Service 51033.540275

Contract Number(s): #74000014052

Concurrences: The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final contract is subject to legal review and approval.

Sole Source Contract with no MWBE participation goals.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Forest Preserves' Facilities and Fleet Department is requesting to purchase Propane Autogas and Gasoline systems (i.e., propane conversion systems), training, and parts for repair. Fleet vehicles will be modified from gasoline to these propane systems to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Facilities and Fleet will reduce installation costs and install/maintain these propane systems in-house to reduce the downtime in sending these units out to a dealer for repairs. Blossman Services, Inc. is one of two vendors of propane vehicle conversion systems in the Midwest area. Blossman Services, Inc. can provide the training needed to move the conversion process in-house and holds 2024 EPA certification, whereas the second vendor does not. This is a sole source procurement.