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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish a Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to purchase Wallace and Tiernan parts with Biss Nuss, Inc. The Division of Water is the primary user of these items. Wallace and Tiernan Parts are used on water treatment machinery at the various City of Columbus water plants. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately two years, expiring May 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on April 11, 2024. In addition, the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002726.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 329.18 relating to competitive bidding (Request for Quotation No. RFQ027256). One (1) bid was received.

The Purchasing Office is recommending award to the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder as follows:

Biss Nuss, Inc., CC# 006641 expires 12/27/2025, All Items; \$1.00

Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$200,000.00, Division of Water, the primary user

**Emergency Designation:** The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation to be considered an emergency ordinance because these items are essential to maintain and preserve water treatment machinery.

The company is not debarred according to the Excluded Party Listing System of the Federal Government or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State Unresolved Findings for Recovery Certified Search.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002726. City Agencies will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase with Biss Nuss Inc; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

**WHEREAS,** the Wallace and Tiernan Parts UTC will provide for the purchase of repair parts for water treatment machinery at the various water plants throughout the City of Columbus: and,

**WHEREAS,** the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on April 11, 2024 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities in that it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to immediately enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Wallace and Tiernan parts with Biss Nuss, Inc. to ensure that water treatment machinery is maintained, for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, property, and safety; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Finance and Management is hereby authorized to enter into the following Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Wallace and Tiernan Parts in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ027256 for a term of approximately two years, expiring May 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

BissNuss, All Items, \$1.00

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002726 of this ordinance to pay the cost thereof.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That for the reason stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.