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#### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: June 17, 2025

TO: Darrell White, Interim Director - Procurement

FROM: Daniel R. Dunlap, 911 Director LIRLO

SUBJECT: Bid Item #25-181 24/7 Dispatch 911 Operator Ergonomic Chairs

In reviewing the submittals for the ITB, we found three (3) non-compliant submittals and one (1) compliant submittal. Please receive the below information as justification.

### Non-compliant:

#### Augusta Furniture Market DBA Weinberger's Business Interiors - Sitmatic Boss Task

Due to minimal information provided within the bid package, the department conducted additional internet research from multiple websites, including the specification sheets for the proposed item, it appears the proposed items are not **HEAVY DUTY** to meet the needs of the department. Additionally, the ITB identified "Black Leather or Alternative Black Leather Seat Material" and the model proposed has a fabric finish. The item does not include a spring suspension or safety casters. The ITB identified "Built-In Headrest", and the model proposed does not have a headrest.

#### Corporate Environments of Georgia, LLC - Sitmatic Boss Task

Due to minimal information provided within the bid package, the department conducted additional internet research from multiple websites, including the specification sheets for the proposed item, it appears the proposed items are not **HEAVY DUTY** to meet the needs of the department. Additionally, the ITB identified "Black Leather or Alternative Black Leather Seat Material" and the model proposed has a durathane fabric finish. Durathane is not a fabric or material meant to be used as a direct substitute for leather in applications like clothing or upholstery. The item does not include a spring suspension or safety casters. The pricing sheet line item #2 involves labor for assembly, when preassembly is listed in ITB minimum specifications.

## CWC (Carithers-Wallace-Courtenay, LLC) - Via Seating

Due to minimal information provided within the bid package, the department conducted additional internet research from multiple websites, including the specification sheets for

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the proposed item, it appears the proposed items are not **HEAVY DUTY** to meet the needs of the department. Additionally, the ITB identified "Black Leather or Alternative Black Leather Seat Material" and the model proposed has a fabric finish. The item does not include spring suspension or safety casters. A second seat option for a "9 to 5 Seating" does not meet many of the minimum specifications.

#### Compliant:

#### **Evans Consoles – Concept Seating**

Due to minimal information provided within the bid package, the department conducted additional internet research from multiple websites, including the specification sheets for the proposed item, it appears the proposed items do meet the needs of the department, and the proposed chairs are **HEAVY DUTY**. The proposed items meet the needs of a critical mission environment, and the specifications outlined in the ITB, including safety casters, suspension system, and weight capacity requirements.

In conclusion, our recommendation of award is for Evans Consoles, as the vendor meets or exceeds the requirements within the bid specifications for this procurement.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.