

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	Bus Vacuum System – RFB No. 22-0012
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of a bus vacuum system from N/S Corporation (Inglewood, CA), for use in the Department of Transportation/METRA Lower Bus Shop, in the amount of \$350,676.00.

The system will replace an existing bus vacuum system which is over twenty (20) years old and no longer functioning as needed. The successful vendor will be required to remove the existing system.

Bid specifications were posted on the web pages of the Purchasing Division, DemandStar and Georgia Procurement Registry. One (1) bid was received on March 23, 2022. This bid has been advertised, opened and reviewed. The sole bidder was:

Vendor(s)	N/S Corporation* (Inglewood, CA)
Bus Vacuum System	\$ 304,760.00
Tear Down of Existing System	\$ 15,000.00
Assembly/Installation	\$ 28,000.00
Training	\$ 2,916.00
<b>Total Price</b>	<b>\$ 350,676.00</b>
Deliver/Install Within ____ Days	150

*\*Interested vendors were required to attend a mandatory site visit. Only one vendor, EuroVac, attended the visit and determined they were unable to meet the requirements. The vendor provided contact information for N/S Corporation, who was the sole attendee of the second mandatory site visit and the sole responding bid. Per the bid specifications, Item #8 of the General Provisions 'Receipt of one sealed bid', the Purchasing Division performed due diligence by conducting a survey of vendors to garner additional competition. Five (5) vendors were contacted after the initial site visit, but no responses were received. Five (5) additional vendors were contacted after*

*the second site visit, with no responses received. Consequently, it was determined the one bid received is from the only responsive, responsible bidder.*

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: Transportation Fund – Transportation – FTA – Capital Expend – Over \$5,000; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-7761.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A BUS VACUUM SYSTEM FROM N/S CORPORATION (INGLEWOOD, CA), FOR USE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION / METRA LOWER BUS SHOP, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350,676.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the new system will replace an existing bus vacuum system which is over twenty (20) years old and obsolete; and,

**WHEREAS**, the successful vendor will be required to remove the existing system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase a bus vacuum system from N/S Corporation (Inglewood, CA), in the amount of \$350,676.00. Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: Transportation Fund – Transportation – FTA – Capital Expend – Over \$5,000; 0751-610-2400-MFTA-7761.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor