City of Joliet

150 West Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432

Memo

File #: 593-23 **Agenda Date:**11/21/2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Rod Tonelli, Interim City Manager

SUBJECT:
Award of Contract for the 2024 Sodium Permanganate Purchase to Carus Corporation In an amount not to exceed of $349,925.28

BACKGROUND:
Sodium Permanganate Solution is used in the production of Hydrous Manganese Oxide, a key component in the radium removal process, at the City's water treatment facilities. The chemicals must meet the requirements of NSF Standard 60 - Drinking Water Treatment Chemicals. An advertisement for bids for the 2024 Sodium Permanganate Solution purchase was published in the Labor Record on Thursday, September 28, 2023. The Public Service Committee reviewed this memo at the November 6, 2023 meeting and recommended for approval by full Council.

CONCLUSION:
Bids for the 2024 Sodium Permanganate Solution purchase were opened at 9:45 a.m. on Thursday, October 19, 2023. Four (4) bids were received for the Contract and read out loud. The bid summary is as follows:

Bidder	2024 Bid Price	2025
Carus Corporation	$349,925.28	$359,382.72
Water Solutions Unlimited	$436,050.00	$468,350.00
Hawkins Inc.	$474,164.00	$506,464.00
Shannon Chemical Corp	$554,591.00	$554,591.00
Engineer's Estimate	$416,670.00	

The low bid by Carus Corporation is 16% below the engineer's estimate.

In addition to year 2024, the contract requested bidders submit pricing for an optional one year extension, to be evaluated at the end of 2024.

Funds will be charged to the 2024 Water / Sewer Operating Fund / Water Production-Chemicals (Org 50080011, Object 536108, $349,925.28).

RECOMMENDATION:
Based on the above, it is recommended that the Mayor and City Council authorize the award for the

2024 Sodium Permanganate Solution purchase, in the amount of $10.8336 per gallon of solution, not to exceed $349,925.28, on behalf of Carus Corporation.

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