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DATE: 09/25/2018

SUBJECT: **BID NO. 2018-192 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR WELDING
EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES AND INDUSTRIAL/MEDICAL GASES
- COUNTYWIDE - VARIOUS VENDORS - PER UNIT PRICE**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Commissioners Court award Bid No. 2018-192, Annual Contract for Welding Equipment/Supplies and Industrial/Medical Gases, Countywide, to the following vendors at the per unit price:

Primary	Praxair Distribution, Inc.	Sections 1 and 2
Secondary	Airgas USA, LLC	Sections 1 and 2

BACKGROUND:

Notice of the County’s intent to bid was advertised in local newspapers, as required by State statute, and posted on the Internet, the Arlington Black Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Tarrant County Asian American Chamber of Commerce. One hundred seven (107) vendors were contacted and requested to participate in this bid process. All documents pertaining to this bid were posted on the Tarrant County website and were downloaded by interested bidders. Two (2) bids were received.

Bids were evaluated by Facilities Management, Public Health, Transportation Services, the four (4) Maintenance Precincts, and Purchasing representatives. Award recommendations are to the low bid meeting specifications.

The term of the contract is twelve (12) months, effective October, 1, 2018, with two (2) options for renewal periods of twelve (12) months each.

Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of Facilities Management, Public Health, Transportation Services, the four (4) Maintenance Precincts, and Purchasing that Bid No. 2018-192, Annual Contract for Welding Equipment/Supplies and Industrial/Medical Gases, be awarded to the vendors listed above at the per unit price.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures for last year were approximately \$22,221.00. Orders placed are on an as-needed basis.

SUBMITTED BY:	Purchasing	PREPARED BY:	Tim Jones
		APPROVED BY:	



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