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SUBJECT: **BID NO. 2020-131 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR ELECTRICAL POWER STRIPS AND POWER STRIP TOWERS - COUNTYWIDE - VARIOUS VENDORS - PER UNIT PRICE**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Commissioners Court award Bid No. 2020-131, Annual Contract for Electrical Power Strips and Power Strip Towers, Countywide, to the following vendors at the per unit price:

Primary	Lofton Innovation, LLC	Items 1, 2, and 3
Secondary	Dealers Electrical Supply Company Dallas Digital Services, LLC	Item 1 Items 2 and 3
Alternate	Primus Electronics Corporation Dealers Electrical Supply Company	Item 1 Items 2 and 3

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. Eight hundred eighty-nine (889) 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. Six (6) bids were received.

Bids were evaluated by Elections Administration and Purchasing representatives. Award recommendations are to the low bids meeting specifications.

Dallas Digital Services, LLC did not meet specifications for item 1 because the product bid was plastic housing instead of the required metal housing, product was not the required raceway-style power distribution, and the wrong required dimensions. Mavich, LLC not meet specifications for item 1 because product bid does not have surge protection as required. Argent Associates, Inc. and Dallas Digital Services, LLC did not meet specifications for item 4 because product power requirements were below the required 2.1A simultaneously for all four (4) USB ports. Argent Associates, Inc. did not meet specifications for item 5 because they bid a 24-outlet power strip which is not required. Lofton Innovation, LLC did not meet specifications for item 5 because they bid a product with insufficient power output. They are no awards for items 4 and 5 because vendors did not meet specifications for these items.

SUBMITTED BY:	Purchasing	PREPARED BY:	Rita C. Pauley, CPO
		APPROVED BY:	



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The term of the contract is twelve (12) months, effective September 17, 2020 with two (2) options for renewal periods of twelve (12) months each.

Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of Elections Administration and Purchasing that Bid No. 2020-131, Annual Contract for Electrical Power Strips and Power Strip Towers, be awarded to the vendors listed above at the per unit price.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenses for last year were approximately \$104,145.00. Orders are placed on an as-needed basis.