ELMHURST PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 8, 2024

TO: Board of Park Commissioners

FROM: James W. Rogers, Executive Director

Angela Ferrentino, Director of Facilities

RE: PURCHASE OF LIQUID CHLORINE (SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE) AND

LIQUID SODIUM BISULFATE FOR OUTDOOR POOLS

ISSUE

Chlorine-based disinfectants are among the most frequently applied disinfectants and oxidizers for swimming pool treatment. During the 2024 pool season, staff projects the District will use approximately 6,000 gallons of liquid chlorine (sodium hypochlorite) at East End and Norman P. Smalley Pools. Sodium bisulfate is another chemical vital to pool treatment to balance pH levels in water. Staff estimates 2,000 gallons of sodium bisulfate will be used during the 2024 outdoor pool season.

DISCUSSION

A legal notice for the delivery of liquid chlorine and liquid sodium bisulfate to East End and Norman P. Smalley Pools was placed in a local newspaper on March 15, 2024 and bid specifications were emailed to five companies. The public bid opening was held on March 28, 2024 and the following bid was submitted:

	Price per Gallon	Price per Gallon
Company	Liquid Chlorine	Liquid Sodium Bisulfate
Hawkins, Inc.	\$3.54	\$4.32

Hawkins, Inc. of Roseville, Minnesota (locally delivered from University Park, IL) provided pricing for both liquid chlorine and liquid sodium bisulfate as specified in the bid documents. The District has contracted with Hawkins since 2013 for the delivery of liquid chlorine and liquid sodium bisulfate to the outdoor pools and based on past experience, Hawkins is a responsible bidder capable of delivering at a high service level and of meeting the required specifications. Positive reference checks were received from the Barrington, Wheaton, and Woodridge Park Districts.

Funds for liquid chlorine and liquid sodium bisulfate in the amount of \$47,800 have been included in the appropriate line item in the FY 2024 budget. The bid tally sheet is attached for review.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Park Commissioners (1) approve the purchase of liquid chlorine (sodium hypochlorite) in the amount of \$3.54 per gallon and liquid sodium bisulfate in the amount of \$4.32 per gallon from Hawkins, Inc., of Roseville, Minnesota; and (2) authorize the Executive Director to execute said contract.

Thank you.

Attachment: Bid Tally Sheet

Bid Tally 2024

2024 – Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite, 15%, and Liquid Sodium Bisulfate, 40% Bid Opening Thursday, March 28, 2024 11:00 am

CONTRACTOR	Price per Gallon Sodium Hypochlorite, 15%	Price per Gallon Liquid Sodium Bisulfate, 40%	<u>Total Price</u>
1. Hawkins Inc.	\$3.54	\$4.32	\$7.86
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CONTRACTOR	Price per 50 pound bag Sodium Bicarbonate (Pool Grade)	Price per 50 pound bag Calcium Chloride 77%-80%	Per 50 pound pail Chlorine Stabilizer (Cyanuric Acid)	Per 50 pound pail Trichlor 3" Tablets
1. Hawkins Inc.	*33.22	# 32.11	\$ 135.14	#149.07
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Assistant Treasurer: Date: 3-28-24

Date: 03/28/2021