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**ADOPTED-BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**OCTOBER 3, 2024**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**IT INFRASTRUCTURE EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES**  
**PACE SYSTEMS, INC.**  
**CDW-GOVERNMENT, LLC**  
**THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
**INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICE AND DELIVERY**

**THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:**

That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel of the legal form of such agreements, to authorize the execution of an agreement with Pace Systems, Inc. and CDW-Government, LLC (CDW-G), on an as needed basis for the purchase and/or installation of network equipment, software, licensing equipment and services related to OIT Infrastructure projects for the period , at an aggregate total cost not to exceed \$10,000,000 with up to \$5,000,000 with Pace Systems Inc. and up to \$5,000,000 with CDW-Government, LLC (CDW-G). The agreement will commence no sooner than November 1, 2024, and ending date of June 30, 2026

**VENDOR:** Pace System Inc.  
2040 Corporate Lane  
Naperville, Illinois 60563

CDW-Government, LLC (CDW-G)  
300 North Milwaukee Avenue  
Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061

**USER:** OIT- Infrastructure Service and Delivery

**Note:** Via Board Report 35141, for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, the Board approved up to \$8,000,000 in purchases from CDW and Pace for the purchase and/or installation of computer hardware technology, specialized security software, equipment and services, various software licensing products, and related services for use District-wide.

**TERM:**

The term of the agreement shall commence no sooner than November 1, 2024, and will end on June 30, 2026.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Pace Systems, Inc. and CDW-G will sell various IT network Infrastructure products and related services to the City Colleges of Chicago (CCC). Products and services include network equipment, software, licensing, equipment, installation, and services as well as support services for certain hardware and technical services and sales support for the following infrastructure enhancements:

**1. WIFI 6 Enhancement and Purchase of Wireless Access Points:**

- Upgrade wireless infrastructure at Kennedy-King and all seven satellite locations.

**2. Truman IDF Creation:**

- Create Intermediate Distribution Frame (IDF) at Truman to ensure network stability.

**3. Upgrade Network Cabling Infrastructure:**

- Replace incompatible internal network cabling to align with new hardware.

**4. Network Closets Addition:**

- Add network closets on the 3rd floor and tech center basement to enhance connectivity.

**5. Colocation Datacenter Relocation:**

- Relocate the colocation datacenter due to physical security risks and inadequate cooling, ventilation, and power specifications.

**6. Network Switch Replacement Refresh:**

- Replace network switches at Malcolm X and Kennedy-King.

**7. Data Centers and Satellite Network Hardware Refresh:**

- Upgrade data centers and satellite networks by 2026 to improve resiliency, disaster recovery, and network security.

**8. Upgrade Identity Management Services to the Cloud:**

- Transition from on-premises identity management to cloud [Microsoft Entra ID].
- Ensure seamless integration with PeopleSoft SIS and HR ERP systems.
- Utilize advanced cloud security features in Microsoft Entra ID.

**BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:**

This solution will authorize CCC to order a wide range of IT equipment, software and services that are essential to technology enabled classrooms, labs, libraries, and other learning spaces, as well as the security department and the overall operation of the District, to support the following:

**1. Enhanced User Experience:**

- Improved speed and reliability of the network.
  - Seamless access to digital learning tools and resources.
- 2. Improved Network Security:**
- Enhanced protection against cyber threats.
  - Secure access for personal and institutional devices.
- 3. Increased Redundancy and Resiliency:**
- Minimized network outages.
  - Improved disaster recovery capabilities.
- 4. Compliance and Futureproofing:**
- Alignment with industry standards.
  - Support for future technological advancements.
- 5. Scalability and Flexibility:**
- Microsoft Entra ID can scale to manage the growing number of users and devices without additional hardware investments.
- 6. Cost Efficiency:**
- Reduces infrastructure and operational costs by eliminating the need for physical servers and reducing IT maintenance overhead.

**VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:**

The vendors being utilized are part of our participation in various purchasing consortiums to leverage the aggregate purchasing power of the community colleges in Illinois. Pursuant to Board Report #29816 and #32583, the Board approved the use of the of the Illinois Higher Education Cooperative (IPHEC). Pace Systems Inc and CDW-Government, LLC (CDW-G) were awarded in accordance with the procurement procedures as detailed in RFP # RM71017, (Software and Software Related Services) IPHEC 2011 (Computer Components, Networking, Supplies and Related Services), and D1702TMS (Microcomputer Systems, Products and Services) and approved under IPHEC purchasing consortium contracts.

**MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:**

The Office of Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed compliance plan and determined the Vendors have complied with the Board Approved MBE/WBE Contract Participation Plan:

**Pace Systems, Inc.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>MBE or WBE</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Participation</u>	<u>Certifying Agency</u>

Pace Systems, Inc. 2040 Corporate Lane Naperville, IL 60563	MBE	93	Direct	City of Chicago
Wrangler Tech 9000 W. 67th ST Hodgkins, IL 60525	WBE	7	Direct	Cook County

**CDW-Government, LLC (CDW)**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>MBE or WBE</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Participation</u>	<u>Certifying Agency</u>
Quantum Crossings, LLC 111 E Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60601	MBE	10	Direct	NMSDC
Betis Group 1451 Dolley Madison Blvd Ste. 230 McLean, VA 22101	MBE	10	Direct	NMSDC
GPR Incorporated 1507 E 53rd St, #104 Chicago, IL 60615	MBE	5	Direct	City of Chicago
Atkins Coordination, Inc (dba Atkco Inc) 332 S Michigan Ave. Ste. 9100 -5" Chicago, IL 60604	WBE	7	Direct	State of IL- CEI

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

**FINANCIAL**

**Total:** \$10,000,00.00

**Charge to:** Office of Information Technology

**Sources of Funds:** Education Fund, Capital Fund

**Budget Lines:** 53/540000-00003-0023004-80000  
53/540000-920150023004-80000

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Juan Salgado  
Chancellor**

**October 3, 2024 – The Office of Information Technology**