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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
FEBRUARY 6, 2025

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

EV AUTOMOTIVE PURCHASE
W. W. GRAINGER, INC
AUTOMOTIVE DEPARTMENT
KENNEDY KING COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel as to the legal form of such agreements, to authorize the execution of an agreement with W.W. Grainger, Inc. for EV Automotive training and performance learning equipment the period beginning no sooner than February 6, 2025, through June 30th, 2025, at a total cost not to exceed \$143,265.11

VENDORS: W. W. Grainger, Inc.
100 Grainger Parkway
Lake Forest, IL 60045

USER: Kennedy-King College

TERM: The term of the purchase shall commence no sooner than February 6, 2025, through February 7, 2025, and ends on June 30, 2025.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

W.W. Grainger Inc. will serve as the vendor responsible for providing the Automotive equipment required for Kennedy-King College's educational programs. Their services will include the procurement and timely delivery of high-quality, industry-standard equipment that meets the specific needs of the Automotive departments. W.W. Grainger Inc. will also ensure that the equipment complies with all safety and operational standards, contributing to the hands-on learning experiences essential for students in these technical fields. Additionally, W.W. Grainger Inc. will offer ongoing customer support, including product guidance and assistance with any maintenance or replacement needs, ensuring that the equipment remains fully functional and up to date throughout its lifecycle.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

We will proceed with W.W. Grainger Inc. as the selected vendor due to their proven track record in supplying reliable, high-quality equipment for both culinary and automotive industries. Their extensive product range ensures that Kennedy-King College will have access to the latest tools and technology, allowing students to train with equipment that mirrors what is

used in professional settings. This enhances the hands-on learning experience, better preparing students for their future careers by familiarizing them with industry-standard equipment. Furthermore, W.W. Grainger Inc.'s commitment to product quality and safety will reduce downtime due to equipment failure, ensuring that the instructional process remains uninterrupted. The value that W.W. Grainger Inc.'s service provides extends beyond just physical equipment. By choosing a vendor known for their robust customer support, both students and staff at Kennedy-King College will benefit from ongoing assistance, whether through troubleshooting, maintenance, or product training. This level of support not only ensures the longevity of the equipment but also empowers instructors to deliver more effective, hands-on education. Ultimately, W.W. Grainger Inc.'s service supports the college's mission to provide high-quality, career-focused education by giving students the tools they need to excel in their respective fields.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

The contract being utilized is a part of the Educational and Institutional Cooperative (E&I) purchasing consortium approved under Board Reports #29816 and #32583. E&I issued RFP #683484 and awarded a contract to W.W. Grainger Inc. CCC will utilize the W.W. Grainger Inc. contract #CNR01496 which authorized W.W. Grainger Inc. to provide supplies, products, and services to E&I and participating entities that access E&I 's cooperative purchasing contracts.

MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

The Office of Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed compliance plan and recommends a full waiver of the Board Approved MBE/WBE Contract Participation Plan due to the nature of the purchase automotive equipment.

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: \$143,265.11

Charge to: Kennedy King College

Source of Funds: Grant Fund (Rev Up grant)

Budget Line: 540000-21000-1020270-30000-308772410

Respectfully submitted,

**Juan Salgado,
Chancellor**

February 6, 2025 – Kennedy King College, Automotive Department