

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT 26011LI (VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES) BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND R&A CONTRACTORS, LLC

#0179

Sponsor:

**Council
Member
McCoy**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-308 and Section 8-200 of the City Charter, the City of Wilmington is authorized to enter into contracts for the supply of personal property or the rendering of services for a period of more than one year if approved by City Council by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City publicly advertised the specifications for Contract 26011LI “Vacant Property Services” (the “Contract”) in accordance with the requirements of Section 8-200 of the City Charter, and subsequently awarded the Contract, a copy of which, in substantial form, is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit “A”, to R&A Contractors, LLC, the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Contract is for the period from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 at an estimated price of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$166,350.00) with the possibility of one (1) extension of one (1) year thereafter on the same terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Department of Licenses and Inspections that City Council authorize the City to exercise the option to extend the Contract for one (1) additional year; and

WHEREAS, City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to authorize the City to exercise the option to extend the Contract for one (1) additional year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
HEREBY ORDAINS:**

SECTION 1. The one-year extension option to the Contract (being Contract 26011LI “Vacant Property Services” between the City of Wilmington and R&A Contractors, LLC), a copy of which Contract, in substantial form, is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, at an estimated price of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$166,350.00), is hereby approved, and the Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to exercise the City’s option, as well as to take all additional undertakings related thereto as may be necessary.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor.

First Reading.....February 5, 2026
Second Reading.....February 5, 2026
Third Reading.....

Passed by City Council,

President of City Council

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Approved as to form this 4th
day of February, 2026.

Elizabeth D. Power
Senior Assistant City Solicitor

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor

SYNOPSIS: This Ordinance authorizes the City to exercise a one-year extension option for Contract 26011LI “Vacant Property Services” with R&A Contractors, LLC.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: The Office of Management and Budget has reviewed this Ordinance and the Exhibit “A” attachment. The fiscal impact of the one-year extension to Contract 26011LI “Vacant Property Services” with R&A Contractors, LLC will be a Material, Supplies, and Equipment (MS&E) expenditure of up to \$166,350 in Fiscal Year 2027.

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EXHIBIT A

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Ceresini
Procurement Dept
Sd City Wilm Purchasing Div
800 N French St Fl 5
Wilmington DE 19801-3590

The City of Wilmington will receive sealed bids
at the Division of Procurement & Records, 5th Fl., Louis L.
Redding Bldg.,
800 French St., Wilm., DE 19801 for:

26011LI - VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES

Bids Due: Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., to the
Procurement Division 5th Floor, Louis L. Redding
City/County Building, 800 French Street, Wilmington, DE
19801. Bids can also be left in the drop box marked
"PROCUREMENT" located on the first floor in front of the
guard station.

Bid opening Time: June 5, 2025 03:00 PM Eastern Time (US
and Canada)
<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/launch/ed1?muid=25c7c10f-524b-4116-a5cf-33086c778d78>
Meeting ID: 861 3326 2530 Passcode: iC7LiA

Specifications may be obtained by email to
procurement@wilmingtonde.gov

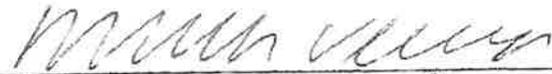
Philip Ceresini, CPPB
Purchasing Agent II
Division of Procurement and Records
Department of Finance
5/15, 5/22-NJ

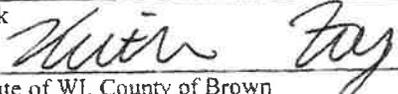
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State of Wisconsin

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Bids on **City Contract 26011LI – VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES** are due to the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records, 5th Floor, Louis L. Redding City/County Building, 800 French Street, Wilmington, Delaware by **3:00 PM on June 5, 2025**. Bids can also be left in the drop box marked **“PROCUREMENT”** located on the first floor in front of the guard station.

The bid opening will be visible as a Zoom Meeting.

Link: <https://us05web.zoom.us/join?muid=25c7cf0f-524b-4116-a5cf-3306bc778d78>

Meeting ID: 861 3326 2530 Passcode: iC7LiA

2. Proposals must be in triplicate, sealed in an envelope, and the envelope endorsed "**Bid for City Contract 26011LI – VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES**" and addressed to the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records, 5th Floor, Louis L. Redding City/County Building, 800 French Street, Wilmington, Delaware.
3. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the schedule time for opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. No bid may be withdrawn within thirty (30) calendar days after the actual opening thereof.
4. The successful bidder will be required to have or obtain an appropriate business license from the Department of Finance, Revenue Division, City of Wilmington, in order to be awarded the contract. Before obtaining a City of Wilmington Business License, all applicants must show proof of a current State of Delaware Business License.
5. The corporation, the successful bidder shall furnish a certificate from the State where it is incorporated, stating that it is a subsisting corporation. The corporation shall also furnish one (1) original and two (2) copies of the excerpts of the corporate minutes, which grant authority to those who sign and attest the contract. The Corporate Seal shall be affixed where signatures are attested.
6. The successful bidder will be required to withhold City of Wilmington Wage Tax from their employees and withheld taxes paid to the City of Wilmington pursuant to the provisions of the Wilmington Wage Tax Law. This law applies to people living and/or working in the City of Wilmington.
7. The U.S. Department of Commerce monitors Procurement transaction made to minority business enterprises by the City of Wilmington. The Minority Business Developments Agency's District Office reserves the right to contact the successful minority bidder and/or subcontractor to confirm any participation in the Procurement process.
8. The successful bidder certifies that they are not listed on the Federal Government, Excluded Parties List System (www.sam.gov). This will be verified by the City of Wilmington and if listed may be grounds for rejection of the bid or proposal.
9. Any person doing business or seeking to do business with the City shall abide by the following Global Sullivan Principles:
- A. Support universal human rights and particularly, those of employees, the communities within which you operate, and parties with whom you do business.
 - B. Promote equal opportunity for employees at all levels of the company with respect to issues such as color, race, gender, age, ethnicity, or religious beliefs, and operate without unacceptable worker treatment such as the exploitation of children, physical punishment, female abuse, involuntary servitude, or other forms of abuse.
 - C. Respect employee's voluntary freedom of association.
 - D. Compensate employees to enable them to meet at least their basic needs and provide the opportunity to improve their skill and capability in order to raise their social and economic opportunities.

- E. Provide a safe and healthy workplace; protect human health and the environment; and promote sustainable development.
- F. Promote fair competition including respect for intellectual and other property rights, and not offer, pay, or accept bribes.
- G. Work with governments and communities in which you do business to improve the quality of life in those communities -- their educational, cultural, economic, and social well-being -- and seek to provide training and opportunities for workers from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- H. Promote the application of these principles by those with whom you do business.

10. **Award and Execution of Contract**

- A. **Consideration of Proposals.** After the proposals are opened and read, they will be compared on the basis of the summation of the products of the approximate quantities shown in the bid schedule by the unit bid prices, unless the proposals states a different basis for comparing bids. In the event of a discrepancy between unit bid prices and extensions, the unit bid price shall govern.

Before awarding the contract, a bidder may be required to show that he/she has the ability, experience, necessary equipment, experienced personnel, and financial resources to successfully carry out the work required by the contract.

The right is reserved to reject any and/or all proposals, to waive technicalities, to advertise for new proposals, or to proceed to do the work otherwise, if in the judgment of the department the best interest of the City will be promoted thereby.

- B. **Award of Contract.** The award of the contract, if it be awarded, must be within thirty (30) calendar days after the opening of proposals to the lowest responsible and qualified bidder whose proposal complies with all the requirements prescribed. The successful bidder will be notified by letter mailed to the address shown on his proposals that his bid has been accepted and has been awarded the contract.
- C. **Cancellation of Award.** The City reserves the right to cancel the award of any contract at any time before the execution of said contract by all parties without any liability against the City.
- D. **Right to Audit.** The City Auditor or his designee shall have the right to audit the contract and any books, documents, or records relating thereto.

Questions should be directed to Phil Ceresini via email at pceresini@wilmingtonde.gov. Questions will not be accepted within 1 week of bid opening.

THIS CONTRACT DOES NOT REQUIRE A BID BOND OR PERFORMANCE BOND.

**VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES CONTRACT
CITY CONTRACT 26011LI**

SPECIFICATIONS

The City of Wilmington, through its Department of Licenses and Inspections, will under this agreement:

- A. Provide funds for labor, time, equipment, and materials for all work orders completed as specified in the SCOPE OF SERVICES. Total funds to be paid by the City to the Contractor will not exceed the amount specified in the acceptable bid. No funds will be paid for any labor, time equipment, or materials other than those utilized to complete work orders.
- B. Provide written and or verbal work order to the Contractor specifying duties and tasks to be performed.
- C. Monitor and follow up assignments provided by the Contractor to assure compliance with the work order request. When necessary, the Commissioner, Code Enforcement Supervisors, or Inspectors will contact the Contractor for any corrective action and to verify completion of work requested.
- D. Establish, maintain, and monitor a record file system of all work orders issued and returned to the City by the Contractor. This file will provide documentation for payments to the Contractor and for audit purposes.
- E. Submit reports and payment vouchers to the Finance Department for payment to the Contractor for all completed work orders.
- F. The Department of Licenses and Inspection will notify the Contractor of work to be completed either by emergency or non-emergency methods. The cost should be reflective of the labor and material as submitted in the proposal sheet.
- G. Provide advisory and support services related to any Federal, State, and City ordinances, regulations, and procedures related to specific work tasks requested.

The Contractor will perform and/or provide:

- A. Labor, equipment, and materials in quantities necessary to complete all work order requests issued by the City through its Department of Licenses and Inspections. All costs associated with labor will be paid at straight time with no overtime being paid.
- B. Receive written (via email) work order request for service from the Commissioner, Supervisor, or the Code Enforcement Supervisors. The Contractor will notify the Department once they arrive at the location to start the required work. The Contractor and employees of the Contractor shall not respond to any scene under the influence of any substance.
- C. Satisfactory completion of all work orders within two working days after receipt

of work orders from the City. When specified, Contractor will satisfactorily complete work orders issued with a priority designation. The Contractor shall perform all work in conformance with applicable local codes, laws, ordinances, and requirements and in compliance with all general and specific conditions of the Service Contract. The Contractor should have at all times an inventory of plywood (20 sheets) necessary to start job on first arrival. All non-emergency work orders must be completed within 48 hours and billed at the non-emergency bill rate (as per the proposal sheet).

- D. **Emergency Call Response:** Upon contact by the City of Wilmington's Department of Licenses and Inspections, the Contractor must respond (via phone, email, cell phone/text, and/or site visit) to department's request within 30 minutes of said contact and begin work 1 hour after the initial response to the department. All time will be billed at the emergency bill rate. All calls that require the police department or the fire department to respond for the safety of the Inspectors or the public.
- E. Maintain a systematic record file to keep all work orders issued by the City and will provide documentation upon request to the Department of Licenses and Inspections, City, federal, or authorized auditors.
- F. A request for payment for all work orders completed for the specific time will be required as support documentation for payment. Request for payment will be submitted within 30 days of the work being performed. The City shall pay the Contractor for performing the services requested for the Department of Licenses and Inspections set forth in this agreement.
- G. Allow a designated City employee the right to monitor, inspect, and advise Contractor and his employees of all work assignments in need of corrective action to satisfactorily meet requirements of the work tasks specified in the SCOPE OF SERVICES. Payment for disputed services will be withheld until a mutually agreeable solution is found.
- H. The Contractor will bill the City only for labor, time (including travel), equipment (including rental), materials used for the performance and completion of work orders. All costs should be reflective of the cost submitted on the proposal sheet by either emergency or non-emergency labor cost.
- I. The city will only pay for the number of employees (laborer and/or foreman), and employee's time spent at the property. Time to be billed in increments of one hour, with no minimum fee allowed.
- J. The Contractor will meet quarterly meetings with the Commissioner and/or designee to discuss any issues, concerns, and updates.

NON-PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES AND ANNULMENT OF CONTRACT

If the Contractor fails to begin or complete work assignments within the time specified or fails to perform the work with sufficient materials, labor, or equipment for the prompt completion of said work, except in cases for which an extension of time is provided, then the City shall have

the right to terminate the employment of said Contractor.

INDEMNIFICATION OF THE CITY

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and save the harmless the City, its agents and employees, from all suits, actions, claims, demands, damages, losses, expenses, and/or costs of every kind and description to which the City may be subjected or put by reason of injury (including death) to persons or property resulting from the manner or method employed by the Contractor, his agents and employees or subcontractors, and whether such suits, actions, claims, demands, losses, expenses, and/or costs against, suffered, or sustained by the City, his agents and employees, may become liable therefore, and the whole, or so much of the monies due, or become due, the Contractor, under this contract or any other contract, as may be considered necessary by the Engineer, may be retained by the City until such suits or claims for damages shall have been settled or otherwise disposed of the satisfactory evidence to that effect furnished to the Engineer.

TERM OF CONTRACT

The original term of this contract shall be from 12:01 a.m., July 1, 2025, through 11:59 p.m., June 30, 2026 (12 months).

The City of Wilmington reserves the option to extend this contract for one additional year, provided that all terms and conditions of this contract shall remain the same and it is in the best interest of the City to do so.

The City of Wilmington will give 60 days advance written notice if the contract is to be extended after the first year. If no notice is issued, it will be assumed that this contract will end on the above-ending date of the original term.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Definition of Work Orders

- I. Vacant Structures - Boarding and Securing
 - A. This contract will require the Contractor to be on call twenty-four hours per day for the Department of Licenses and Inspections. In the event of an emergency, the Contractor will be required to respond to the scene within sixty (60) minutes of contact from the Department of Licenses and Inspections. **In event the Department of Licenses and Inspections cannot contact Contractor, the Department of Licenses and Inspections will immediately contact an alternate contractor.**
 - B. ***Basement and First-Floor Levels*** - Boarding and securing a vacant building shall include all doors and windows on the basement and first floor levels. All doors and windows shall be boarded from the outside but secured from inside the property. If possible and when necessary, boarding may be done from the inside of the building. Upon specific requests, some buildings shall be secured with a hasp and lock. All work is to be done in accordance with the City code and in a satisfactory workman-like manner. All plywood to be mechanically screwed.

All plywood shall be painted to match the color of the building or trim on the building. Property numbers shall be stenciled on front and back doors. Back doors only need to be stenciled if there is alleyway access to the unit. Stenciling should be neat, uniform, centered on doors and clearly visible in dark coloring (see City Code for additional guidelines). **This requirement will be strictly enforced.**

- C. **Second and Third Floor Levels** - All boarding shall be installed from the inside provided that there is safe access.
- D. **Garages, Rear Sheds, Etc.** - All garages and rear structures shall be boarded in the same manner as listed for the First Floor, if ordered.
- E. **Cleaning Interiors** - For vacant buildings, the Contractor shall clean the interiors of the buildings, which shall include all floor levels and the basement, or as specified by the Department of Licenses and Inspections. The Contractor shall be required to remove all trash, debris, combustible materials, and discarded furniture from the buildings. All materials and items removed shall be photographed or videotaped and inventoried to ensure against liability, if ordered.
- F. Upon specific written requests, the Contractor shall post signs, to be supplied by the Department of Licenses and Inspections.
- G. Removal of any trash, debris, and discarded furniture shall include the removal of these items from the premises and transportation to an appropriate dumping area in accordance with City and/or County requirements, if ordered.
- H. **OSB or flake board shall not be used** in the boarding of any structure. The Contractor will install a minimum of ½" plywood to be secure mechanically with screws.

II. Vacant Lots - Front and Rear Yards

- A. **Trash Clearance** - The Contractor shall be required to remove all trash, debris, abandoned furniture and any other unsightly material from vacant lots, including front and rear yards of vacant structures or any other areas as identified by the department. All materials and items removed shall be photographed or videotaped and/or inventoried to ensure against liability. All materials shall be transported from the site to an approved disposal site with each individual disposal receipt attached to each invoice.

Do not allow structural alteration, repair, or replacement to the building or heavy equipment in rear yards for trash or debris removal, grading purposes, etc.

- B. **Cutting Grass (Seasonal)** - On a seasonal basis, work orders will be issued to require that grass, weeds, and vegetation to be cut on all vacant lots and/or buildings and shall include some front and rear yards when necessary. All work must be completed within 72 hours weather permitting.

- C. **Erect and Post Signs** - Upon specific written requests, the Contractor shall erect and/or post signs on vacant lots indicating no trespassing.
- D. The City shall furnish all metal signs and posts, lock boxes and related materials when the Contractor is required to erect no trespassing signs as mentioned under sections I. B and II.C.
- E. When needed, Contractor will be responsible for the erection of barriers and fencing of lots, or buildings.

III. Snow Removal (Seasonal)

- A. The Contractor shall be required to remove snow from front steps, pavements, and/or walkways of properties within 24 hours after the snow ceases to fall. The City will issue work orders containing the specific addresses, streets, etc., of properties where snow shall be removed. Snow removal shall be performed using the appropriate equipment or a chemical substance. The Contractor shall stack and/or remove all snow so as not to prevent safe passage by pedestrians.

IV. Partial Demolition

- A. A Contractor shall be required to conduct selective demolition assignments where necessary (rear additions and sheds). All selective demolition will have to conform to City of Wilmington requirements for demolition.

Questions call: Gabriel M. Pabon, Jr., Commissioner
 Department of Licenses and Inspections
 (302) 576-3092

Yvonne(Eve)Davis, Code Enforcement Supervisor
 Department of Licenses and Inspections
 (302)576-3037

V. Emergency Calls/Work Orders

All calls or requests between the hours of Monday to Friday (4:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m., Saturdays/Sundays/Holidays, all days). All calls that require the police department or the fire department to respond for the safety of the Inspectors or the public.

Non-Emergency Calls/Work Orders

All calls or requests between the hours of Monday to Fridays (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

PROPOSAL FORM
VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES

DATE: _____

CONTRACT #: 26011LI

Our City of Wilmington Business License number is _____

This proposal is submitted with the knowledge that the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records, reserves the right to reject any and all proposals when, in its judgment, it is in the best interest of the City of Wilmington to do so.

Emergency Rates (Between the hours of Monday to Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m., Saturdays/Sundays/Holidays)

- 1. Maximum total Labor Costs (1 Foreman and 1 Laborer): \$ _____
- 2. Maximum total Equipment Costs (1 Dump Truck): \$ _____

General Property Maintenance Rates (Between the hours of Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

- 1. Maximum total Labor Costs (1 Foreman and 1 Laborer): \$ _____
- 2. Maximum total Equipment Costs (1 Dump Truck): \$ _____

Chain Link Fencing, Gates, and Post

- 1. 300 Lin/Ft of 6'-0" Chain Link Fencing and Posts \$ _____
- 2. Maximum total for Gates: \$ 500.00

Material/Dumping Costs

- 1. Maximum total Material Costs (1,000 Sheets 1/2" Plywood): \$ _____
- 2. Maximum total for Dumping Fees and Permits: \$ 10,000.00
- 3. Maximum total for Painting and Stenciling of Boards (colors to be determined by City of Wilmington): \$ 1,000.00

GRAND TOTAL (the low bidder selected from this amount): \$ _____

FIRM: _____

Corporation/Partnership/Individual

PER: _____

Name (Typed or Printed)

TITLE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FED. ID NUMBER: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

FAX NUMBER: _____

PROPOSAL FORM

VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES

DATE: 6/2/25

CONTRACT #: 26011LI

Our City of Wilmington Business License number is 2009100947

This proposal is submitted with the knowledge that the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records, reserves the right to reject any and all proposals when, in its judgment, it is in the best interest of the City of Wilmington to do so.

Emergency Rates (Between the hours of Monday to Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m., Saturdays/Sundays/Holidays)

- 1. Maximum total Labor Costs (1 Foreman and 1 Laborer): \$ 36,000
- 2. Maximum total Equipment Costs (1 Dump Truck): \$ 16,150

General Property Maintenance Rates (Between the hours of Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

- 1. Maximum total Labor Costs (1 Foreman and 1 Laborer): \$ 46,200
- 2. Maximum total Equipment Costs (1 Dump Truck): \$ 24,000

Chain Link Fencing, Gates, and Post

- 1. 300 Lin/Ft of 6'-0" Chain Link Fencing and Posts \$ 3000
- 2. Maximum total for Gates: \$ 500.00

Material/Dumping Costs

- 1. Maximum total Material Costs (1,000 Sheets 1/2" Plywood): \$ 30,000
- 2. Maximum total for Dumping Fees and Permits: \$ 10,000.00
- 3. Maximum total for Painting and Stenciling of Boards (colors to be determined by City of Wilmington): \$ 1,000.00

GRAND TOTAL (the low bidder selected from this amount): \$ 116,350

FIRM: R & A Contractors, LLC

Corporation/Partnership/Individual

PER: Yvonne L. Wilkerson

Name (Typed or Printed)

TITLE: President/Owner

ADDRESS: 902 N Adams Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

FED. ID NUMBER: _____

PHONE NUMBER: (302) 649-7144

FAX NUMBER: _____

EMERGENCY RATES

ITEM 1 - LABOR (These hourly rates are for straight time only; no overtime will be accepted)

1 Foreman
 Foreman pay for one (1) hour \$ 22.00 x 900 hours = \$ 19,800.00
1 hour pay Total Hours Total Pay Foreman

1 Laborer
 Laborer pay for one (1) hour \$ 18.00 x 900 hours = \$ 16,200.00
1 hour pay Total Hours Total Pay Foreman

SUBTOTAL ITEM #1 - TOTAL COST LABOR: \$ 36,000.00

ITEM 2 - EQUIPMENT

1 Dump Truck - \$ 18.50 x 900 hours = \$ 16,650
1 hour Cost/Truck Total Hours Total Cost/Truck

SUBTOTAL ITEM #2 - TOTAL COST EQUIPMENT: \$ 16,650.00

ITEM 3 - MATERIALS

a. 1,000 (max.) Sheets 4' x 8' x 1/2" thick (min.) x \$ 30.00 = \$ 30,000
Cost Per Sheet

b. Stenciling materials \$ 1,000.00

SUBTOTAL ITEM #3 - TOTAL COST MATERIALS: \$ 31,000.00

Note: Contractor to have a minimum of 15 sheets of plywood in inventory at all times.

ITEM 4 - CHAIN LINK FENCING AND POSTS

a. Furnish and install 300 Lin/Ft of 6'-0" Chain Link Fencing and Posts \$ 2,000.00
 b. Gates \$ 500.00

SUBTOTAL ITEM #4 - TOTAL COST FENCING/POSTS/GATE \$ 2,500.00

ITEM 5 - DUMPING FEES AND PERMITS

\$10,000.00 (total amount available)

SUBTOTAL ITEM #5 - TOTAL COST FEES/PERMITS: \$ 10,000.00

NOTE TO BIDDERS: Insert subtotals for all four sections on Page 1 and add to get grand total for this contract. Maximum amounts used for bidding purposes only.



CITY OF WILMINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS
800 N. FRANCHES STREET
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19801

MEMORANDUM

TO: Philip Ceresini
Department of Finance, Procurement and Records Division

FROM: Gabriel M. Pabon, Jr., Commissioner *Gabriel M. Pabon Jr.*
Department of Licenses and Inspections

DATE: June 30, 2025

RE: Contract 26011LI – Vacant Property Services

On June 17, 2025, the following bids were received and opened for Contract 26011LI – Vacant Property Services:

Morganstan Development Group LLC	\$553,100.00
B & B Services	\$298,528.00
R & A Contractors	\$166,350.00
T. Lashon Trucking LLC	\$133,500.00
Brandon M Brown	Incomplete

The bid from Brandon M Brown did not include the first page of the proposal form with the bid totals and therefore is “non-responsive”. There was a conversation with T. Lashon Trucking LLC for clarification on the bid, it was determined that there was an error to the bid’s total cost and therefore the bid is “non-responsive”.

The Department of Licenses and Inspections recommends that the award be made to R & A Contractors in the amount of \$166,350.00 as the lowest responsive bid received.

If you need additional information, please contact me, extension 3048.

CERTIFICATE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT

I hereby certify that Contract No. 26011LI is on this 3rd of July 2025 awarded to R & A Contractors LLC, in the amount of \$166,350.00 as per Proposal dated 6/2/25 and that this award is made in compliance with Wilm. Code (Charter), Section 8-200, to wit:

1. Plans and specifications for the work, supplies, or materials were filed with the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records for public inspection on 5/15/25.
2. The advertisement calling for sealed bids on this contract was published in the News Journal on 5/15/25 & 5/22/25 stated that bids would be opened at 3:00 p.m. on 6/5/25.
3. All sealed bids received were publicly opened in the office of the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records in the presence of the City Auditor and Department not represented desiring to make the purchase at 3:00 p.m. on 6/5/25. Via Zoom. Other persons present at the opening of the bids were: Philip Ceresini, & Michael Maldonado, Ariana Fleming, Victoria Cox
4. Bids were submitted by the following contractors in the following amounts.

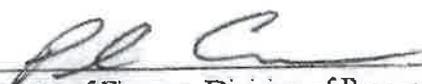
<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Date of Bid</u>	<u>Amount</u>
R & A Contractor, LLC	Wilmington, DE	6-5-2025	\$166,350.00
B & B Services	Wilmington, DE	6-5-2025	\$298,528.00
J. Lashon Trucking, LLC	Newark, DE	6-5-2025	\$133,500.00 *
Morganstan Development Group	Dover, DE	6-5-2025	\$553,100.00
Brandon M. Brown	Wilmington, DE	6-5-2025	\$Incomplete Bid*

***SEE AWARD LTR**

5. City License Number _____

6. Upon recommendation of the Department of Licenses & Inspection and after due consideration, I determined that the contractor to whom this award is made was the lowest responsible bidder. In support of this determination, I have received the following written recommendations, which are on file at my office:

<u>Author</u>	<u>Employment Position</u>	<u>Date</u>
Gabriel M. Pabon, Jr.	Commissioner of Licenses & Inspection	6/30/25


 Department of Finance, Division of Procurement

Delaware

The First State

I, CHARUNI PATIBANDA-SANCHEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "R&A CONTRACTOR'S LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2025.



C. P. Sanchez

Charuni Patibanda-Sanchez, Secretary of State

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R & A Contractors, LLC.

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTIONS

I, the undersigned, Secretary of R & A Contractors, LLC, a Delaware Corporation, hereby certified that the following Resolutions excerpted from the Minutes of the Corporation were duly adopted by unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, on the 20th day of 2025.

RESOLVED, that the President, of his Corporation be and he hereby is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of this Corporation a contract and other contract documents by and between this Corporation and the City of Wilmington, Delaware, Department of Finance, Vacant Property Services for the Contract Price of \$166,350.00 and it was

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of this Corporation be and she hereby is authorized to attest to the said contract and other documents.

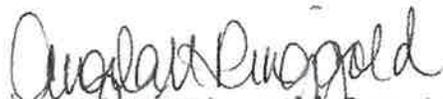
I further certify that the foregoing Resolutions have not been rescinded or modified and remain in full force and effect.

I further certify that the following are the names of all officers qualified to sign for the Corporation:

President Jimmie L. Wilkerson

Secretary Angela M. Ringgold

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Corporation this 20th day of July, 2025.


Angela M. Ringgold, Secretary

----- CONTRACT -----

THIS AGREEMENT made the 20th day of July in the year **Two Thousand Twenty-Five** and between the City of Wilmington, a municipal corporation of the State of Delaware, acting through the agency of the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records, party of the first part (hereinafter designated the Owner), and **R & A Contractors, LLC** party of the second part (hereinafter designated the Contractor).

WITNESSETH, that the Contractor, in consideration of agreements herein made by the Owner, agrees with the Owner as follows:

Article 1. The Contractor shall and will furnish and deliver per specifications, on Contract 26011LI "Vacant Property Services" for the **Department of Licenses and Inspections** in accordance with Advertisement for Bids by the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records date 05/15/25 & 05/22/25 and specifications identified as Contract No. 26011LI "Vacant Property Services" and by the signatures of the parties hereto, are, together with the said Advertisement for Bids, Instructions to Bidders, Forms of Proposal, and/or other documents pertinent thereto, hereby acknowledge and incorporated into these presents and are to be taken as a part of this Contract.

Article 2. It is understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that the amount of this Contract is in the Base Bid amount of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars and----- 00/100 (\$166,350.00) as per Proposal dated 6/2/25 to the Department of Finance, Division of Procurement and Records.

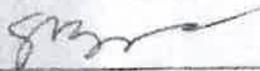
Article 3. In the performance of this Contract, the parties agree that they shall not discriminate or harass, or permit discrimination or harassment, against any person because of age sex, marital status, race, religion, color, national origin, or sexual orientation.

Article 4. This Agreement shall bind the heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to the respective parties hereto.

In witness whereof the party of the first part has, by recommendation of the **Commissioner of Licenses and Inspection Department**, caused the hand of **John Carney, Mayor**, and the corporate seal of the City of Wilmington, attested by the City Clerk, to be hereunto affixed; and the party of the second part has caused the hand of its President, (or his authorized representative) and its corporate seal, attested by the Secretary or assistant Secretary, to be hereunto affixed.

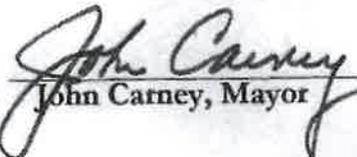
Dated the day and year first above written in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, State of Delaware.

Signed, Sealed, and delivered
in the presence of:

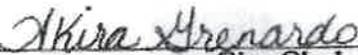


Witness

THE CITY OF WILMINGTON

By: 
John Carney, Mayor

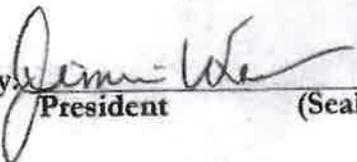
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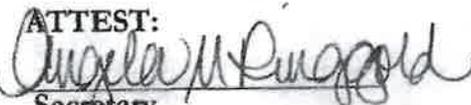


City Clerk

R & A Contractors, LLC.

Witness

By: 
President (Seal)

ATTEST:


Secretary

