



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 9, 2026

TO: Alderman Frost, Chair
Members of the Finance and Personnel Committee

FROM: Rebecca Tyo, Fire Chief

RE: Award of Non-Competitive Contract – WPLS-190 Wheel Lifts (x4)

CONTRACT DETAILS

Vendor: Gray Manufacturing Company, Inc. of St. Joseph, MO

Contract Amount: \$60,673.⁰⁰

Contract Duration: One-time Purchase

Funding Source: 2026 Gaming Tax Revenue

NARRATIVE

The Rockford Fire Department is recommending an award of contract to Gray Manufacturing Company, Inc. of St. Joseph, MO, in the amount of \$60,673.⁰⁰ for the purchase of a set of four WPLS-190 wheel lifts for the Fire Maintenance Facility.

The new lifts will replace an older version currently used to service fire apparatus and will match the newer set purchased a few years ago, also from Gray Manufacturing. The current lifts are 14 years old and we have experienced these being out of service due to cylinder failure and other maintenance issues. For continuity and uniformity purposes, it is important to match our current wheel lifts, as they can be synchronized to lift aerial apparatus, at times requiring a total of six units.

If you have any additional questions, feel free to contact Rebecca Tyo, Fire Chief, at 779-500-6526.

RESOLUTION
of the
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
SUBMITTED BY: FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION AWARDING NON-COMPETITIVE CONTRACT FOR WPLS-190 WHEEL LIFTS (X4)

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances for the City of Rockford, Illinois, provides as in Chapter 4, Article VI, Division 4, that all purchases for and contracts for supplies, materials, equipment, and contractual services, the value of which is estimated to exceed \$25,000, shall be based on competitive solicitation and awarded by the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, competitive proposals were NOT received for the City of Rockford for the following, as the contract was not bid:

WPLS-190 WHEEL LIFTS

WHEREAS, the Finance and Personnel Committee of the City Council for the City of Rockford, Illinois has reviewed the staff recommendation for the aforementioned item(s) and recommends awarding the contract as follows:

Vendor: GRAY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. of ST. JOSEPH, MO
Amount: \$60,673.00

WHEREAS, the Finance and Personnel Committee has determined that the funding for the aforementioned purchase shall be as follows:

2026 GAMING TAX REVENUE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois that the Mayor execute an agreement with GRAY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. of ST. JOSEPH, MO for WPLS-190 WHEEL LIFTS in the amount of \$60,673.00, subject to the specifications in the contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be in full force and effective immediately upon its adoption and the Legal Director is hereby authorized to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the Central Services Manager.

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

Thomas P. McNamara, Mayor
City of Rockford, Illinois

Angela L. Hammer, Legal Director and Ex-Officio
Keeper of the Records and Seal
City of Rockford, Illinois

Rockford, Illinois

Date: February 9, 2026

RECOMMENDATION FOR RESOLUTION

TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKFORD:

Council Members:

The Committee on Finance and Personnel having received a request hereby begs leave to report recommending **approval** of the non-competitive agreement with GRAY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. of ST. JOSEPH, MO for WPLS-190 WHEEL LIFTS in the amount of \$60,673.00. The Legal Director shall prepare the appropriate resolution.

Kevin Frost (Chair)

Jonathan Logemann (Vice Chair)

Frank Beach

Dawn Granath

Chad Tuneberg

Committee Action Taken:

Frost:	Ayes:___	Nays:___	Absent:___
Logemann:	Ayes:___	Nays:___	Absent:___
Beach:	Ayes:___	Nays:___	Absent:___
Granath:	Ayes:___	Nays:___	Absent:___
Tuneberg:	Ayes:___	Nays:___	Absent:___