

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE  
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

**Date:** March 22, 2019  
**To:** Milwaukee County Board Chairman Theodore Lipscomb, Sr.  
**From:** Michael Hafemann, Superintendent, Milwaukee County House of Correction (HOC)  
**Subject:** From the Superintendent, House of Correction, requesting authorization to enter into a Purchase of Service Contract extension with Aramark Correctional Services LLC for an additional two-year term for food services through December, 31, 2021

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**Issue**

The current contract with the Aramark Correctional Services LLC (Aramark) expires on December 31, 2019. The kitchen facilities and equipment at both the HOC and County Jail are in urgent need of upgrades, repairs and in some cases replacement. In particular, the HOC's dishwasher and two mixers have been in service and in constant use long past their normal service life and repairs are no longer applicable - and - these pieces of equipment now need to be replaced. Much of the current kitchen fixtures and equipment were installed in the late 1990s and have been in daily use since their installation. Over the last five years, the HOC and the current vendor have invested in numerous repairs and replacements of the fixtures and equipment needed to provide meals to inmates at the HOC, Jail and juveniles at the Juvenile Detention Center. Nevertheless, the dishwasher at the HOC is especially problematic; while it has been maintained, repaired and upgraded, it now needs to be replaced as soon as practical. A capital project is on the horizon for the HOC kitchen, but it is not currently funded.

**Discussion**

Aramark is offering to provide Milwaukee County \$200,000 for a two-year extension. If a contract extension is approved, the \$200,000 will be used exclusively to purchase and install kitchen equipment, which now needs to be replaced, at the contract vendor's expense; the equipment once purchased and installed will become the property of Milwaukee County. If a contract extension is approved, the County will also know the price per meal to budget for the next few years since that aspect of the contract is not changing with this proposal. The HOC will also be able to purchase some of the required replacement equipment as soon as October of this year, if an extension is warranted.

**Fiscal Effect**

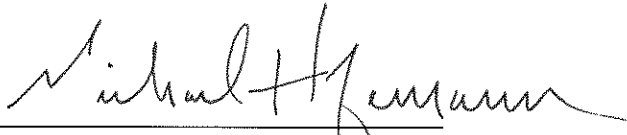
This extension would reduce operating costs and future capital needs. Aramark will provide the \$200,000 in October of this year which can pay for a new dishwasher or other equipment if it should fail. A fiscal note form is attached.

**Recommendation**

Whereas, Aramark has agreed to a new contract extension with the same provisions, and a significant capital infusion of \$200,000, and the County will own the equipment at the end of the two year extension, the Superintendent is recommending that a contract extension with Aramark be approved by the Board of Supervisors for two more years. This will aid in the purchase of at least a new dishwasher or other urgent kitchen improvements.

I am respectfully requesting that this item be placed on the agenda for the appropriate committee(s) as an action item.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael Hafemann, Superintendent  
Milwaukee County House of Correction

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