Sharon Williams, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Cabinet Champion: Frank Mendoza, Director of Operations
Date: October 27, 2026
Re: Snow Removal Bid Recommendation 2026 - 27

The District issued a request for bids for snow removal for the 2026-27 school year. The bid opportunity was publicly advertised both online and in the Dispatch/Argus newspaper. Bid documents were made available for pick up at the Administration Center and accessible online. All bids were required to be submitted to the Administration Center by 11:00 a.m. September 14, 2026.

At the time of bid opening, no bids had been received, as such, the District contacted four (4) qualified contractors to solicit bids. Of the four companies contacted, C&J Landscaping was the only company to submit a bid.

The scope of this contract includes timely and comprehensive snow and ice management to ensure safe access to buildings, parking lots, sidewalks, and other critical areas throughout the winter season greater than one inch of accumulation and ice events. Services are to be rendered during inclement weather events, with an emphasis on maintaining safety and minimizing disruptions to school operations. Accumulations less than one inch will be managed by district staff and equipment. Due to the variable nature of winter weather, the proposal includes estimated costs based on hourly rates, and the equipment that is required to complete the task in a timely manner. Precise communication with the Director of Building Operations will occur prior to, during, and after each winter weather event.

Plowing/Hour	Shoveling/Hour	Crew	Salt
Plow Truck $195.00 John Deere Tracked Skid $195.00	Shovelers $185.00 Toro 821 $185.00	15 crew members	Rock Salt 50#/bag - $39 Treated Salt 50#/bag - $74

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the snow removal agreement with C&J Landscaping, located at 11507 US Highway 150 Orion, IL, 61273, for use on all district properties, with a budget not to exceed $150,000 annually.

Investment Period: July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027
Total Investment: Not to exceed $150,000
Funding Source: District Operations and Maintenance

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