

5. CONSENT AGENDA 3. PURCHASING

5.3.19. LAKESHORE URBAN FARM CENTER THIRD-PARTY TESTING

Lead Staff: Mahsa Karamy, Executive Director, Business Operations

Funding Source: FY24 surplus and Foundation

Funding Request: \$57,960.00

Vendor	Amount
ECS Midwest	\$57,960.00

Explanation of Purchase: Approve a purchase with ECS Midwest for the Independent third-party testing required for Lakeshore Urban Farm Center. Third-party independent testing involves an external, unbiased testing company contracted directly through the owner to evaluate adherence and compliance with the engineer's and industry standard recommended structural parameters for soil compaction, concrete strength and structural steel weld strength.

Pursuant to 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1 (a), contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part are exempt from the competitive bidding process.

Recommendation: Approve a contract with ECS Midwest of Buffalo Grove, IL for the first set of required third-party testing of Lakeshore Campus Urban Farm in a not-to-exceed amount of \$57,960.00.