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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR FY 2026/27 CUSTODIAL SERVICES AT AMES PUBLIC LIBRARY

BACKGROUND:

Custodial services for Ames Public Library are provided by a third-party professional cleaning service. The tasks included in this service are all routine daily cleaning tasks. On May 14, 2024, the City Council awarded the contract to ABM Industry Groups with the option to renew for four additional terms.

For the last two fiscal years, ABM has provided relatively low-cost custodial services for the Ames Public Library. ABM's representatives have worked closely with Library staff to accommodate the timing of library activities and public events.

Library staff estimates that approximately 4,992 hours of cleaning services are required annually. These hours are an estimate for budgeting purposes; payments are made on an hourly basis for actual hours worked. The hourly rate for FY 2026/27 is \$20.36 per hour.

The Board of Trustees, Ames Public Library, issued Resolution No. 2026-L012 on April 16, 2026, recommending the contract extension to ABM Industry Group.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the contract renewal with ABM Industry Groups, LLC, of Des Moines, IA for Custodial Services at Ames Public Library for the period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, in an amount not-to-exceed \$101,620.44.
2. Reject the renewal option and instruct staff to seek new competitive bids.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ABM continues to provide relatively low-cost custodial services for the Ames Public Library. ABM's representatives and have worked closely with Library staff to ensure there are high-quality results and the cleaning schedule accommodates the timing of library activities and public events. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[ResNo2026-L012_Custodial Contract FY27.pdf](#)