

## City of Dallas

1500 Marilla Street Council Chambers, 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75201

## **Legislation Text**

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AGENDA DATE: November 6, 2019

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): N/A

**DEPARTMENT:** Office of Procurement Services

## **SUBJECT**

Casting of lots to identify the recommended vendor resulting from tie bids between Mavich and Nationwide, Lines 1, 21, 81, 87, 168, and 170, between MSC Industrial Supply and Simba Industries, Line 34, and between MSC Industrial Supply and Nationwide Supplies, Lines 68, 137, 140, 161, and 188 in response to bid BE19-00010445 for a three-year master agreement for the purchase of hand and power tool supplies for the City of Dallas

## **BACKGROUND**

When a request for bids results in identical bids where neither bidder is a resident of the City (or where both are residents), then the City is required to break the tie bids. This is known as the "casting of lots" under Section 271.901 of the Texas Local Government Code. The City breaks the tie by having the Mayor randomly select a sealed envelope containing a bidder's name during a Council meeting. The selected bidder will be the winner of the contract, and the item to award the contract will be presented to Council during a voting agenda meeting.