

MEMORANDUM



To: Dr. Douglas Howell, Superintendent
From: Jonathan R. Balls, Director of Business Operations
Date: March 17, 2026
RE: Chiller Replacement – Hawthorne Middle School

On Feb 18, 2026, bids were opened for Chiller Replacement at Hawthorne Middle School. Ten (10) vendors were invited to bid. Bids from two (2) vendors were received. The lowest responsible bid is highlighted.

Contractor	Mechanical Solutions Pocatello, ID	Hobson Fabrication Corp. Boise, ID
Hawthorne Middle School	\$221,440	\$308,297

Board Action Requested: Motion to award bid to Mechanical Solutions in the amount of \$221,440. This amount represents the lowest responsible bid for the project. The total bid award is approximately \$78,560 under the estimated 2026-2027 Capital Improvement budget of \$300,000.