



## **Operations Committee - Board of Representatives**

Virgil de la Cruz, Chair

Carmine Tomas, Vice Chair

# **Committee Report**

**Date:** Monday, December 18, 2023  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Place:** *This meeting will be held remotely and can be accessed by computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83534735761> ; or at [www.zoom.com](http://www.zoom.com) – Webinar ID: 835 3473 5761; or by telephone at 1 646 558 8656 – Webinar ID: 835 3473 5761.*

The Operations Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair de la Cruz, Vice Chair Tomas, and Committee Member Reps. Graham, Ley, and David Watkins. Absent or excused were Reps. Boeger, Sherwood, Stella, and Dakary Watkins. Also in attendance were Rep. Summerville; Chris Dellaselva and Liz Turner, Legal Dept.; Josephine Carpanzano, Deputy Director of Operations, and Scott Butch, Director of Facilities.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Invitee(s) or Designee(s)</b>
1. <a href="#">O31.043</a>	APPROVAL; Agreement between City of Stamford and United American Security, LLC, dba Gardaworld Security Services for Security Services for City of Stamford Facilities under RFP No. 2024.0112 [Cost of Contract \$661,136.86 for one year; \$680,970.97 for Option Year 2; and \$701,400.10 for Option Year 3]. 12/01/23 – Submitted by Mayor Simmons	<b>Approved 5-0-0</b>

The current contract expires as of January 6, 2024. Gardaworld, a new vendor was awarded the contract. CPS is the current security vendor for the City. Currently there is no security at the Henry Street location, the new contract will expand to that location.

CPS has been the vendor for over eight years however, they did not meet the current requirements such as having guard tracking systems nor a national or regional security operation center (SOC). SOC can assist with staffing and can help monitor security cameras should any emergencies occur. Gardaworld is also transparent and digital, which was a big factor in the grading scale.

With the new vendor there will be increased access control in buildings to ensure that we have the proper safety mechanisms in place for the staff and for the City.

The current contract is about a 4.5% increase from the expiring contract which is in line with inflation.

Chair de la Cruz questioned the type of improvements that Gardaworld will bring. Josie stated that the RFP required transparency in regard to rates such as what the vendor will charge the City and the payrate of the guards.

Gardaworld offers a variety of benefits such as health insurance, and growth potential that includes training and continuing education. Also, Gardaworld will offer a higher payrate than the current vendor.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. de la Cruz, Graham, Ley, Tomas, and David Watkins in favor).

Chair de la Cruz adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virgil de la Cruz, Chair

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