

## **Non-Competitive Contract with Zoll Medical Canada Inc. for the provision of Cardiac Monitors / Defibrillators with all Accessories, Proprietary Consumables and Extended Maintenance Agreements**

Date: October 9, 2025

To: General Government Committee

From: Chief, Toronto Paramedic Services, and Chief Procurement Officer

Wards: All

### **SUMMARY**

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The purpose of this report is to request City Council authority to enter into a non-competitive contract with Zoll Medical Canada Inc. for supply and delivery of cardiac monitor/defibrillators with all accessories, proprietary consumables and extended maintenance agreement for various City of Toronto Divisions. This contract supports anticipated growth in Toronto Paramedic Services' service demand and staffing, as outlined in its Multi-Year Staffing Plan, adopted by Council in June 2025. This contract also facilitates purchases by other City divisions, including Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Public Health which will be managed by City Stores.

By maintaining the use of the Zoll X Series Advanced cardiac monitors, Toronto Paramedic Services avoids the substantial expenses associated with a system-wide replacement, which would include not only the purchase of new equipment but also the extensive retraining of staff, and updates to various software integrated with our current Zoll defibrillators and patient care devices.

The total amount of this request is \$24,758,371 net of all applicable taxes and charges (\$25,194,118 net of HST recoveries), for a period of one (1) year from the date of award to October 31, 2026, with the option to renew for four (4) additional one (1)-year periods. The current Blanket Contract 47019673, awarded competitively, with Zoll Medical Canada Inc., will expire on November 15, 2025.

Non-competitive procurements may be undertaken where both the proposed procurement and supplier can be justified in good faith based on an exception set out in Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 195, Procurement. This procurement will be proceeding under the exception related to compatibility with Zoll Medical Canada Inc., and the City has determined in good faith that both the proposed procurement and the selected

supplier, along with the terms and conditions of the contract are beneficial to the City (Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 195, Procurement, Section 7.1E).

City Council approval is required in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 195, Purchasing, where the current request exceeds the Chief Procurement Officer's authority of the cumulative five-year commitment limit for each vendor under Article 7, Section 195 - 7.3(D) of the Purchasing By-Law or exceeds the threshold of \$500,000 net of Harmonized Sales Tax allowed under staff authority as per the Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 71, Financial Control, Section 71-11(A).

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The Chief, Toronto Paramedic Services, and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that:

1. City Council authorize the Chief, Toronto Paramedic Services to award and enter into an agreement with Zoll Medical Canada Inc., for the provision of cardiac monitor/defibrillators including all accessories, proprietary consumables and extended maintenance agreement, in the amount of \$24,758,371 net of all applicable taxes and charges (\$25,194,118 net of HST recoveries). This contract will be for a period of one (1) year from the date of the award to October 31, 2026, with the option to renew for four (4) additional one (1)-year periods, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Chief, Toronto Paramedic Services and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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The total potential cost of this contract including all years identified in this report is \$25,194,118, net of HST recoveries in the amount detailed below.

The materials on this contract will be purchased for PMMD Stores inventory purposes. The material value will be held in inventory holding Balance Sheet accounts (160004, 160026, 160049, 160067, 160068, 160082, 160083, 160085, 160171) until City Divisions require the material to support their programs at which time the material value is charged to the appropriate Divisions' approved operating budgets as per the details in Table 1.

Funding from date of award to December 31, 2025 is available in appropriate Divisions' 2025 Operating Budget and additional funding for the balance of the initial contract year will be included in their 2026 Operating Budget Submissions. Should all the option years be exercised, appropriate additional funding will be requested in the 2026-2030 Operating Budget Submissions.

The cost calculation for this contract includes an annual 4% inflationary increase.

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Table 1: Financial Impact Summary of Recommended Contract (Net of HST Recoveries)

	Date of Award to December 31, 2025	January 1, 2026 to October 31, 2026	Option Year 1 November 1, 2026 to October 31, 2027	Option Year 2 November 1, 2027 to October 31, 2028	Option Year 3 November 1, 2028 to October 31, 2029	Option Year 4 November 1, 2029 to October 31, 2030	Total
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The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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On December 9 and 10, 2015, City Council adopted CD8.2 and authorized the Chief and General Manager, Toronto Paramedic Services to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Zoll Medical Canada Inc., being the highest overall scoring proponent meeting the requirements of Request for Proposal 0507-15-0113, for the provision of cardiac monitor/defibrillators with all components and accessories, and replacement of cardiac monitor/defibrillators including extended warranty and preventative maintenance plan. The City Council decision can be found at:

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2015.CD8.2>

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On November 20, 2017, Community Development and Recreation Committee adopted CD24.2, authorizing the Acting Chief, Toronto Paramedic Services, and the Director, Purchasing and Materials Management to amend Contract Number 47019673 issued to Zoll Medical Canada Inc., Request for Proposal (RFP) Number 0507-15-0113, by an additional amount of \$1,382,294.40 excluding all taxes and charges or \$1,406,622.78, net of HST recoveries. The amendment was for an additional 40 cardiac monitor/defibrillators, their components and extended maintenance packages to address the increase of 113 Full-time Equivalents (FTEs) to Toronto Paramedic Services' complement, approved in 2015 to 2016 budgets, along with additional operation-ready ambulances. The Committee decision can be found at: <http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.CD24.2>

## COMMENTS

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Toronto Paramedic Services is mandated by the Provincial Equipment Standards for Ontario Ambulance Services issued by the Ministry of Health to equip all emergency response vehicles with cardiac monitor/defibrillators. The current monitors used by Toronto Paramedic Services (Zoll X Series Advanced) are equipped with defibrillation and advanced cardiac monitoring capabilities. The monitors can also transmit electrocardiograms directly to specialized cardiac labs at certain hospitals, allowing paramedics to transport patients directly to these centres and reduce the time to critical interventions.

Toronto Paramedic Services has invested in a fleet of Zoll cardiac monitors for over 10 years. As a result the current system is fully integrated including associated consumables and infrastructure.

This contract supports anticipated growth in Toronto Paramedic Services' service demand and the increase in staffing, as outlined in its Multi-Year Staffing Plan, adopted by Council in June 2025. It also facilitates purchases for consumables by other City divisions, including Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Public Health.

The City Council-adopted Multi-Year Staffing Plan supports the addition of 362 full-time equivalent positions, including 331 frontline positions over a period of four (4) years, subject to annual budget approval. Additional cardiac monitor/defibrillators are needed to support the increase in staffing and vehicles required to meet expected service demand growth, while maintaining standards of care.

This contract will enable Toronto Paramedic Services to purchase additional cardiac monitor/defibrillators, accessories, optional extended warranties, and maintenance services. The requested contract also covers the purchase of accessories and consumables (e.g., disposable monitoring supplies, batteries, etc.), which is managed by City Stores to support various City divisions. The scope of investment also includes ongoing staff training and infrastructure needs (e.g., stretcher-mounted poles for safely holding monitors in place during patient transport) required to deploy the monitors.

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Zoll X Series Advanced cardiac monitor/defibrillators are also fully compatible with Toronto Paramedic Services' operational requirements, including integration with Toronto Fire Services, local hospital systems, and Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) providers. This ensures seamless interoperability across emergency response and healthcare networks.

The proposed contract with Zoll Medical Canada Inc., is structured as a maximum value agreement. There is no obligation to spend the full contract value. Additionally, annual inflation adjustments have been negotiated to reflect the lower of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or four (4) percent, ensuring fiscal responsibility and predictability.

Zoll Medical Canada Inc. headquartered in Mississauga, Ontario, and has been operating in Canada for four decades. As medical goods, cardiac monitors are currently exempt from import tariffs, supporting cost-effective procurement and long-term fiscal sustainability. This exemption, combined with the established Canadian infrastructure of Zoll Medical Canada Inc., enables efficient delivery, maintenance, and equipment support.

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## SIGNATURE

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