



BOARD OF CONTRACT AND SUPPLY  
CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GOODS

**Item Description: MOBILE 2-WAY RADIO SERVICE AND EQUIPMENT (Exp.6/30/2024)**

**Date to be opened: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021**

**Issuing Department: PROVIDENCE WATER**

## QUESTIONS

- Please direct questions **relative to the bidding process, how to fill out forms, and how to submit a bid** to Purchasing Agent Patti Jordan.
  - Phone: (401) 680-5264
  - Email: [pjordan@providenceri.gov](mailto:pjordan@providenceri.gov)Please include the Item Description shown above in the subject line of your email.
- Please direct questions **relative to the specifications** outlined to the issuing department's subject matter expert:
  - **TONY FERNANDES – MANAGER OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT**
  - **401-521-6300 EXT. 7118**
  - **TONYF@PROVWATER.COM**

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION

Bids may be submitted up to **2:15 P.M.** on the above meeting date at the **Department of the City Clerk, Room 311, City Hall, 25 Dorrance Street, Providence.** At 2:15 P.M. all bids will be publicly opened and read at the Board of Contract Meeting in the City Council Chambers, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of City Hall.

- Bidders must submit **3 copies** of their bid in sealed envelopes or packages labeled with the captioned **Item Description** and the **City Department to which the RFP and bid are related and must include the company name and address on the envelope as well.** clearly marked on the first page.
- Communications to the Board of Contract and Supply that are not competitive sealed bids (i.e. product information/samples) should have **“NOT A BID”** written on the envelope or wrapper.
- Only use form versions and templates included in this RFP. If you have an old version of a form do not recycle it for use in this bid.
- The bid envelope and information relative to the bid must be addressed to:

**Board of Contract and Supply  
Department of the City Clerk – City Hall, Room 311  
25 Dorrance Street  
Providence, RI 02903**

**All bids submitted to the City Clerk become public record. Failure to follow instructions could result in information considered private being posted to the City's Open Meetings Portal and made available as a public record. The City has made a conscious effort to avoid the posting of sensitive information on the City's Open Meetings Portal, by requesting that such sensitive information be submitted to the issuing department only at their request.**



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**NOTICE TO VENDORS**

1. The Board of Contract and Supply will make the award to the lowest qualified and responsible bidder.
2. In determining the lowest responsible bidder, cash discounts based on preferable payment terms will not be considered.
3. Where prices are the same, the Board of Contract and Supply reserves the right to award to one bidder, or to split the award.
4. No proposal will be accepted if the bid is made in collusion with any other bidder.
5. Bids may be submitted on an "equal in quality" basis. The City reserves the right to decide equality. Bidders must indicate brand or the make being offered and submit detailed specifications if other than brand requested.
6. A bidder who is an out-of-state corporation shall qualify or register to transact business in this State, in accordance with the Rhode Island Business Corporation Act, RIGL Sec. 7-1.2-1401, et seq.
7. The Board of Contract and Supply reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
8. Competing bids may be viewed in person at the Department of the City Clerk, City Hall, Providence, immediately upon the conclusion of the formal Board of Contract and Supply meeting during which the bids were unsealed/opened. Bids may also be accessed electronically on the internet via the City's [Open Meetings Portal](#).
9. **As the City of Providence is exempt from the payment of Federal Excise Taxes and Rhode Island Sales Tax, prices quoted are not to include these taxes. A Tax Exempt Certificate will be provided upon request.**
10. In case of error in the extension of prices quoted, the unit price will govern.
11. Delivery dates must be shown in the bid. If no delivery date is specified, it will be assumed that an immediate delivery from stock will be made.
12. No goods should be delivered or work started without a Purchase Order.
13. **Submit 3 copies of the bid to the City Clerk, unless the specification section of this document indicates otherwise.**
14. Payment Terms *are a minimum of Net 30.*
15. Successful bidder must submit a completed W-9 form and Certificate of Insurance/Product Warranty.
16. Awards will be made within **sixty (60) days of bid opening**. All bid prices will be considered firm, unless qualified otherwise. Requests for price increases will not be honored.
17. Failure to deliver within the time quoted or failure to meet specifications may result in default in accordance with the general specifications. It is agreed that deliveries and/or completion are subject to strikes, lockouts, accidents and Acts of God.

**\*\*\*Failure to meet specified deadlines, follow specific submission instructions, or enclose all required documents with all applicable signatures will result in disqualification, or in an inability to appropriately evaluate bids.\*\*\***



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**BID FORM 1: Bidders Blank**

1. Bids must meet the attached specifications. Any exceptions or modifications must be noted and fully explained.
2. Bidder's responses must be in ink or typewritten, and all blanks on the bid form should be completed.
3. The price or prices proposed should be stated both in **WRITING** and in **FIGURES**, and any proposal not so stated may be rejected. **Contracts exceeding twelve months must specify annual costs for each year.**
4. Bids **SHOULD BE TOTALED** so that the final cost is clearly stated (unless submitting a unit price bid), however **each item should be priced individually**. Do not group items. Awards may be made on the basis of *total* bid or by *individual items*.
5. All bids **MUST BE SIGNED IN INK.**

**Name of Bidder (Firm or Individual):** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agrees to bid on (Items(s) to be bid): \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Surety Company (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount in Writing\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount in Figures\*: \_\_\_\_\_

***\* If you are submitting a unit price bid, please insert "Unit Price Bid"***

***Use additional pages if necessary for additional bidding details.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Representation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title



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**BID FORM 2: Certification of Bidder**

(Non-Discrimination/Hiring)

Upon behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Firm or Individual Bidding),

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Person Making Certification),

being its \_\_\_\_\_ (Title or "Self"), hereby certify that:

1. Bidder does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation and/or religion in its business and hiring practices.
2. All of Bidder's employees have been hired in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

I affirm by signing below that I am duly authorized on behalf of Bidder, on  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Representation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name



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**BID FORM 3: Certificate Regarding Public Records**

Upon behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (Firm or Individual Bidding),

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Person Making Certification),

being its \_\_\_\_\_ (Title or "Self"), hereby certify an

understanding that:

1. All bids submitted in response to Requests for Proposals (RFP's) and Requests for Qualification (RFQ's), documents contained within, and the details outlined on those documents become public record upon receipt by the City Clerk's office and opening at the corresponding Board of Contract and Supply (BOCS) meeting.
2. The Purchasing Department and the issuing department for this RFP/RFQ have made a conscious effort to request that sensitive/personal information be submitted directly to the issuing department and only at request if verification of specific details is critical the evaluation of a vendor's bid.
3. The requested supplemental information may be crucial to evaluating bids. Failure to provide such details may result in disqualification, or an inability to appropriately evaluate bids.
4. If sensitive information that has not been requested is enclosed or if a bidder opts to enclose the defined supplemental information prior to the issuing department's request in the bidding packet submitted to the City Clerk, the City of Providence has no obligation to redact those details and bears no liability associated with the information becoming public record.
5. The City of Providence observes a public and transparent bidding process. Information required in the bidding packet may not be submitted directly to the issuing department at the discretion of the bidder in order to protect other information, such as pricing terms, from becoming public. Bidders who make such an attempt will be disqualified.

I affirm by signing below that I am duly authorized on behalf of Bidder, on

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Representation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name



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**BID FORM 4: MBE/WBE Affidavit**

Item Title (as seen on RFP):

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Name of Bidder (Firm or Individual): \_\_\_\_\_

Which one of the following describes your business' status in terms of Minority and/or Woman-Owned Business Enterprise certification with the State of Rhode Island?

\_\_\_\_\_ MBE    \_\_\_\_\_ WBE    \_\_\_\_\_ Neither MBE nor WBE

It is the policy of the City of Providence that minority business enterprises (MBEs) and women business enterprises (WBEs) should have the maximum opportunity to participate in procurements and projects as prime contractors and vendors. Pursuant to Sec. 21-52 of the Providence Code of Ordinances and Chapter 31-14 *et seq.* of the Rhode Island General Laws (as amended), MBE and WBE participation goals apply to contracts.

I affirm by signing below that I am duly authorized on behalf of Bidder, on

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Representation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name



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**BID PACKAGE SPECIFICATIONS**



## **Information to Bidders:**

### **Mobile 2 Way Radio & Equipment:**

Contractor shall perform the installation removal & Supplies of the following equipment, including but not limited to:

Mobile radios and associated equipment to include but not limited to:

- Vehicular repeaters
- Vehicular chargers (portable units)
- Antennas (to include duplexers/diplexers)
- Mounting brackets or consoles
- Interconnection equipment

Fixed based radios and associated equipment to include but not limited to:

- Base stations repeaters
- Communications consoles
- Base antennas
- Base station remote control stations
- Interconnection equipment
- System management equipment
- Vehicle emergency lighting equipment to include but not limited to:  
Light bars, rotating beacons, Strobe lights, arrow sticks, Grill/head/tail lights

**Preventive maintenance/service:** will be performed upon request on the following equipment, including but not limited to:

- Portable radios
- Mobile radios
- Fixed base station
- Fixed repeater station
- Vehicular repeaters
- Vehicular adapters
- Vehicular chargers (for portable radios with no connectivity to in-vehicle mobile radio)
- 800Mhz radio equipment
- VHF radio equipment
- Base station remote control stations
- Communications consoles
- Analog radios
- Multiplex shelves with channel cards

Installation, repair and maintenance services shall be performed by the awarded Contractor in accordance with the equipment manufacturer and FCC's rules instructions, standard industry practices and specifications in depending on the circumstances, services may require an expedited response. Awarded Contractor must commit to provide a





(two-hour emergency response) when required. It is expected that work will be performed during normal working hours normal working hours are defined as 8:00 to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday.

Work performed within normal working hours shall be charged at no more than the standard rates submitted in Bid Proposal.

Routine travel is travel within a 25-mile radius of Providence Water Supply Board PWSB base location, as identified in the locations, below.

- Central Operations (COF)  
125 DuPont Drive. Providence R.I 02907.
- Purification Plant  
61Nd RT 116 Hope R.I 02831.
- Longview Pump Station 1841 Mineral Spring North Providence R.I 02904

whichever is closer to the service or installation site. There will be no payment for labor hours for travel time or reimbursement for any travel expenses for work performed within radiuses of facility. To perform Installation, repair and preventative maintenance services as required.

rates established in the RFP for work performed inside normal working hours (overtime, weekends and holidays). These rates include all direct and indirect costs and profit for the Master Contractor to perform Installation, Repair and Preventative Maintenance services required in a RFP.

The successful bidder must be an authorized Motorola communication dealer to service PW existing Motorola base repeater's and receivers.

- (normal working hours) 8:00AM-4:30PM M-F.

Hourly Rate\$-----

- (overtime, weekends and holidays)

Hourly Rate\$ -----