



ADVERTISEMENT TO BIDDERS
for
SMOKE DETECTORS AND BATTERIES
Grand Island Fire Department

Sealed bids will be received at the **office of the City Clerk**, 100 East 1st, Grand Island, NE 68801 or PO Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802 until **2:15 P.M.** (local time) on **April 28, 2010**, for supplying smoke detectors and batteries. Bids will be publicly opened at this time in Conference Room #1 located on the 1st floor of City Hall. Bids received after that time will be returned unopened to sender.

Specifications are available for review at the Grand Island Fire Department, Fire Administration office, second floor of city hall at 100 East 1st, Grand Island, Nebraska.

One (1) original bid and two (2) copies of the bid shall be submitted.

The successful bidder will be required to comply with fair labor standards as required by Nebraska R.R.S. 73-102 and comply with Nebraska R.R.S. 48-657 pertaining to contributions to the Unemployment Compensation Fund of the State of Nebraska.

Bids will be evaluated by the Purchaser based on price, quality, and ability of the bidder to provide items in a timely manner.

The Purchaser reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities therein and to accept whichever bid that may be in the best interest of the City. All bidders must agree that such rejection shall be without liability of the part of the purchaser or their consultant for any penalty brought by any bidder because of such rejections, nor shall the bidders seek recourse of any kind against the Purchaser or their Consultant because of such rejections. The filing of any bid in response to this invitation shall constitute an agreement of the bidder to these conditions.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of 45 days after date of opening bids.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS AND BID SHEET
Smoke Detectors and Batteries
GRAND ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

Sealed bids will be **received at the office of the City Clerk**, 100 East 1st St., Grand Island, NE 68801 or PO. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802 until **2:15 P.M.** (Local Time) on **April 28, 2010**, for smoke detectors and batteries as specified in these bidding documents, FOB Grand Island, NE.

The use of a brand name or equal specification is used in this solicitation for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance and characteristics desired and is not intended to limit or restrict competition.

Exceptions to Specifications - Any bidder who has exceptions to any specifications and requirements listed in the bidding documents must so state in the space provided below. Exceptions should also be noted in the blanks provided in the detailed specifications. It is the bidder's responsibility to clearly outline any exceptions. Failure by bidder to outline exceptions will require the successful bidder to comply with the specifications.

Exceptions to specifications:

Attached are detailed minimum specifications. The following general specifications also apply to this bid.

Bid Submittal Bid security must be submitted in a separate envelope as outlined in the Advertisement to Bidders. All envelopes submitted by Bidder must state the item being bid on the face of envelope.

Manuals Refer to specifications.

Warranty The equipment shall carry the standard warranty; bidder should include warranty details with the bid; failure to comply may cause bid rejection.

Descriptive Literature

The bidder shall attach hereto, and it shall be made part of this bid, regularly printed literature as published by the factory, which sets out and fully describes the equipment to be furnished in the bid. This literature or other supplemental information shall clearly indicate compliance with each and every item of these Specifications. Failure to indicate compliance may be cause for rejection of bid.

Optional Equipment

The general and detailed specifications are the minimum requirements. Bidder may include optional equipment if desired. Optional equipment should be noted as such.

OSHA, NFPA & ANSI Requirements

In addition to other specified requirements, the equipment shall meet all current Occupational Safety and Health Administration, National Fire Protection Association, American National Standards Institute requirement specifications and Federal Manufacturer Specification KKK-A-1822F effective July 2007.

Delivery

Equipment is to be delivered from assembly point to Grand Island, Nebraska, by commercial freight, rail or truck. Equipment shall not be towed in whole or part or driven in excess of 150 miles without the express authorization of purchaser. Units are to be

delivered completely serviced and ready for operation.

Delivery Date Each bidder shall state in his bid a realistic delivery date for this equipment. Award winning bidder must deliver within quoted delivery time.

Payment Prior to approving the invoice for payment, the City reserves the right to thoroughly inspect and test the equipment to confirm compliance with specifications. Any equipment, which does not meet the City's requirements, will be returned at vendor's expense for correction. Title, manufacturer's use tax form, odometer form and any specified data, diagrams and manuals must be received prior to approval of invoice. The invoice will be paid after approval at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting occurring after departmental approval of invoice; the City Council typically meets the second and fourth Monday of each month. Invoices must be received well in advance of Council date to allow evaluation and processing time.

Fair Employment Practices

Each bidder agrees that he/she will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, religious creed, ancestry, handicap, sex or political affiliation.

Drug Free Policy Each bidder agrees to maintain a drug free work policy.

Data Privacy Bidder agrees to abide by all applicable Local, State, and Federal laws and regulations concerning the handling and disclosure of private and confidential information concerning individuals and corporations as to inventions, patents and patent rights. The bidder agrees to hold the City harmless from any claims resulting from the bidder's unlawful disclosure or use of private or confidential information.

Independent Price Determination

By signing and submitting bid, the bidder certifies that: the prices in the bid have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor.

Clarification of Specification Documents

Vendors shall promptly notify the Purchasing Agent of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error, which they may discover upon examination of the specifications. Interpretations, corrections and changes made to the specifications will be made by written addenda. Oral interpretations or changes to the specifications made in any other manner will not be binding on the City; and bidders shall not rely upon such interpretations or changes.

Demonstration/Samples

If requested, the bidders shall, at bidder's expense, demonstrate and/or furnish samples of the exact item(s) proposed within seven (7) calendar days from receipt of such request from the City.

Bid Evaluation and Award

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after bid due date. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive technicalities and to accept the bid considered by the Purchaser to be in the City's best interest. The bid will be evaluated based on price, demonstration (if requested), quality, warranty, adherence to specifications, delivery, and adaptability of the particular equipment for the specific use intended.

Gratuities and Kickbacks

City Code states that it is unethical for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any City employee or former City employee, or for any City employee or former City employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore. It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

Federal Immigration Verification System

Every public contractor and his, her or its subcontractors who are awarded a contract by the City for the physical performance of services within the State of Nebraska shall register with and use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska.

**CITY OF GRAND ISLAND
BID REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS**

The City of Grand Island, Nebraska, Fire Department, respectively requests sealed bids for the following:

Smoke Detectors and Batteries

As part of the Bid Request the following items are attached:

Advertisement to Bidders
General Specifications
Bid Request Instructions
Minimum Bid Specifications with Bid Sheet
Proposed Bidder List

Sealed bids must be received by **2:15 P.M.** (Local Time), on **April 28, 2010**, and be addressed to:

**City Clerk
City of Grand Island
100 East First Street
P.O. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802-1968**

Bid must include the following:

Completed Minimum Specifications and Bid Sheets - Attached
Warranty Information
Descriptive Literature

Instructions for Completing Specifications

Bidders must complete the attached specifications by typing or printing responses in blanks. In the "Bidder's Offered Equipment" section, check applicable columns adjacent to component heading.

Column 1 Y - Mark this column if equipment Exactly Meets Specifications.
Column 2 N - Mark this column if equipment is Less Than or Does Not Meet Specifications, and describe equipment on following line.

All information required in specifications must be included with bid. Supplementary material that the bidder wishes to include will be appreciated, but is not required.

Please direct bid questions to Fire Chief Troy Hughes at 308-385-5444 ext 229, fax 308-385-5423; or you may send an e-mail to: Troy Hughes at troyh@grand-island.com

Minimum Bid Specifications

Smoke Detectors and Batteries

The intent of the specification is to provide smoke detectors and batteries for placement in all mobile homes within the Grand Island city limits through a Department of Homeland Security Grant. The City of Grand Island reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any technicalities.

REQUIRED MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS:

The equipment shall carry the standard warranty; bidder should include warranty details with his bid; failure to comply may cause rejection.

	Col. 1	Col. 2
	Meets	Less
1. SMOKE DETECTORS Units must be dual sensor – ionization and photoelectric Detectors must be UL tested Detectors must have a 10-year warranty.	_____	_____
2. BATTERIES All batteries should have a 10-year lithium battery.	_____	_____
3. DELIVERY DATE Delivery date must not exceed a maximum of two (2) months from time of order placement.	_____	_____

THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

BID FORM for Ambulance Remount
CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA
(All bids must be submitted on this form)

TO THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF GRAND ISLAND
GRAND ISLAND, NE

The undersigned bidder, having examined all specifications and other bidding documents, and all addenda thereto, and being acquainted with and fully understanding all conditions relative to the furnishing of the specified equipment to the City of Grand Island, NE, hereby proposes to furnish and deliver such equipment FOB Grand Island, NE, at the following price:

<u>ITEM DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNIT COST</u>
1. Smoke Detectors	\$ _____
2. Batteries	\$ _____

* The City of Grand Island does not pay sales tax; do not include sales tax in your pricing.

If awarded the contract, the undersigned bidder agrees to deliver the specified equipment within _____ days from date of order.

Terms will be Net 30 unless otherwise stated by bidder.

The equipment warranty is as follows: _____

Bidder acknowledges that Addenda Number(s) _____ were received and considered in Bid preparation.

Attached to the bid is all supplementary information requested in the bidding documents.

Bidder Company Name Date

Company Address

Name of Person Completing Bid (please print) / Signature

Telephone No. Fax No.

NOTE: Any exceptions to specifications must be noted in the space provided on Page 1 of General Specs.