

**CITY OF DETROIT
OFFICE OF CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT
REQUEST FOR QUOTE**

**REVISED RFQ NO. 185822
Equine Feed and Supplies for Detroit Police Department Mounted Patrol**

Buyer: Aroya Rush

| EVENT / ACTIVITY | DUE DATE / TIME |
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| ADVERTISEMENT DATE | Thursday, June 5, 2025 |
| QUOTES DUE DATE * | Friday, July 11, 2025 by 3:00pm EST In the Supplier Portal as specified in this RFQ. |

* Respondents must [register](#) in Oracle to download bid documents and submit bids. **The City cannot guarantee the accuracy of any bid documents obtained from outside of Oracle, and bids submitted outside of Oracle will not be accepted.** Detailed resources about registering and bidding, including video tutorials and live, virtual office hours, are available at www.detroitmi.gov/suppliersupport.

Questions about the specifics of this RFQ must be asked within the [Oracle](#) Messages interface for the bid on or before the date and time indicated above. Questions asked via phone, email, and/or other means will not be answered.

Quotes must be uploaded in

1. PROJECT REQUEST

The City of Detroit Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) requests for quotes from qualified Respondents to render certain technical or professional services ("Services") as set forth in this RFQ to provide horse feed and other equine supplies for the City of Detroit's Police Department's Mounted Patrol.

2. AWARD CLAUSE INCLUDING RENEWAL OPTIONS

If a contract is awarded as a result of this RFQ, it will be a City of Detroit **Professional Services Contract (Attachment E)**. **The term of the contract will be for one (1) year.** Any renewal option exercised under this contract is effective only after the approval of the Detroit City Council and signed by the Chief Procurement Officer. **The City anticipates one or multiple awards as a result of the RFQ.**

3. STATEMENT OF WORK

All vendors, retailers, and suppliers who wish to submit a bid proposal or a quote must be willing to accept Net 30 Payment Terms. Please note, the Detroit Police Department is tax-exempt.

The quoted price shall be Free On Board (F.O.B.) Detroit, Michigan. If there is a charge for shipping and handling, please itemize that cost in the quote.

Unless otherwise stated, all orders shall be delivered to:

Detroit Police Department
Attn: Mounted Unit
910 Merrill Plaisance St.,
Detroit, MI 48203

VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY

- All goods and commodities must be designed, constructed, and produced by a manufacturer that is established and reliable. Any experimental or unproven products or materials are not acceptable.
- All perishable items must be packaged and delivered in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation at least 90 days before expiration. Any products that arrive open, damaged, contaminated, expired or nearing expiration in less than 90 days will not be accepted and returned to sender at no charge to the Detroit Police Department.
- If, in the opinion of the vendor, any aspect of the requested products violates proper manufacturing and/or commercial practice, the vendor must immediately notify the Detroit Police Department.
- Defective goods and products are to be replaced by the vendor without charge to DPD in accordance with the manufacturer's warranty.
- An itemized invoice and/or packing slip must accompany each order.

SPECIFICATIONS

All vendors, retailers, and suppliers are welcome to submit bid proposals and quotes on any of the items listed below. It is not necessary or required to bid on everything in the entire list.

Quoted prices must be valid for a 30-day minimum period.

Please include order processing information such as: lead time, delivery schedule, back-order dates (if any), net 30 payment terms, etc.

4. OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Awarded Contractor(s) will work closely with City agency staff.

The Respondent is expected to provide service in accordance with the terms of the executed contract and under the rules, regulations, and supervision of the City.

5. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- ❖ Responding vendors must be capable of providing supplies on an as needed basis and have the availability to deliver to the following locations:

910 Merrill Plaisance St.,
Detroit, MI 48203

- ❖ Responding vendors must have at least five (5) years experience providing equine feed and supplies. Must provide three (3) references as proof of this experience.

6. QUESTION DEADLINE

All questions regarding the RFQ shall be submitted through the Supplier Portal no later than the time and date specified on the Cover Page. In the interest of transparency, only written questions will be accepted. Answers to questions will be posted within the Supplier Portal. The City of Detroit does not guarantee a response to questions not submitted after the question deadline.

Should a Respondent be in doubt as to the true meaning of any portion of this RFQ or find any patent ambiguity, inconsistency, or omission herein, the Respondent must make a written request for an official interpretation or correction in accordance with the instructions for submitting questions as specified in this RFQ.

Respondents are advised that no oral interpretation, information or instruction by an officer or employee of the City of Detroit shall be binding upon the City of Detroit.

Respondents requesting changes to the RFQs terms and conditions, specifications, quantities, etc.; or if clarifications are needed, must make the request in writing by the stated bid submission deadline.

7. REJECTIONS, MODIFICATIONS, CANCELLATIONS

The City of Detroit expressly reserves the right to:

- 1) accept or reject, in whole or in part, any and all quotes received;
- 2) waive any non-conformity;
- 3) re-advertise for quotes;
- 4) withhold the award for any reason the City determines;
- 5) cancel and/or postpone the request for quotes, in part or in its entirety, and/or,
- 6) take any other appropriate action that is in the best interest of the City.

This RFQ does not commit the City of Detroit to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of a quotes under this request, or to procure or contract for services.

8. PROTESTS

Protests can be filed with the Office of Procurement. Interested parties aggrieved by a solicitation or the award of any resulting contract, may file written notice of protest to the following:

**City of Detroit Chief Procurement Officer
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1008
Detroit, MI 48226
“Procurement Protest”**

At a minimum, such protests shall include:

- 1) name of protestor.
- 2) solicitation/contract number and description; and
- 3) statement of grounds for protest (reference specific text in the solicitation, bid or contract document that is at issue).

The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer and/or the Department Director are final and is not subject to appeal.

9. INVOICES

Vendors must be registered in City of Detroit Vendor Portal and be a registered vendor with the City of Detroit to submit invoices and receive payments. Go to <http://www.detroitmi.gov/Supplier> to register.

AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE WORK OR SHIP GOODS – READ CAREFULLY!!!

Contractors may begin work or ship goods upon receipt of the required authorization, which is the CPA (Contract Purchase Agreement), in addition to *SPO (Standard Purchase Order)*, from Procurement.

The CPA (City Council Approved and Awarded Contract Purchase Agreement) alone is NOT authorization to begin work! NO letter of Intent, or Letter to Commence Work will be issued.
****Work commencing without issuance of the SPO is subject to Payment Delays and/or Non-Payment! ****

Required vendor steps to invoice:

- 1) Invoices should NOT be uploaded until the Contractor receives confirmation of review and approval from the City of Detroit.
- 2) Vendors should submit their invoices via City of Detroit Vendor Portal. Portal invoice amount and creation date must match the date on attached invoice. Please follow the below invoice requirements:

Invoice MUST contain or have as attachment:

- Vendor Name and address on Invoice
- Contact Info on Invoice (Accounts Receivable contact with phone and email)
- Remittance information (MUST be included, or the invoice is subject to rejection)
- City of Detroit contact (person who authorized work to commence)
- Invoice Date
- Date of service/delivery
- Contract number
- Purchase order number
- Total Invoice amount

Other invoice requirements:

- Invoice must be billed based on Purchase Order rates
- Total invoice amount must tie to the total supporting documents
- Supporting documentation must be attached to the invoice in the portal

Terms are standard NET 30 Days, unless otherwise negotiated, and start from the invoice receipt date, provided that the invoice is submitted timely to our AP department with the necessary supporting documentation.

If you need assistance, please contact the Office of Departmental Financial Services (ODFS) 313-410-7804.

10. PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

The City's experience with the bidder on previous contracts will be considered in determining the award.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

It shall be the responsibility of the Respondent to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the provisions of these specifications. After executing the contract, no consideration will be given to any claim of misunderstanding.

The Respondent agrees to abide by the rules and regulations as prescribed herein by the City as the same now exists or may hereafter from time to time be changed in writing.

Contractors are encouraged to contract with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, labor surplus area firms and Detroit businesses. The City strongly encourages the hiring of Detroit residents whenever possible by contacting Detroit At Work for your hiring needs. Visit the Detroit At Work website at www.detroitatwork.com for specific contact information regarding these opportunities.

12. GENERAL CONDITIONS:

It is the responsibility of the Bidder to review General Conditions located on the City of Detroit's website.

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It is the responsibility of the Bidder to review General Conditions. In your quotation a distinction between dollars and cents must be made. Also, illegible bids may be grounds for rejection of your bid. All changes made to the bid form altering, price, terms, quote and/or conditions. **MUST** be crossed out and initialed. Failure to initial any changes will be grounds for rejection of your bid. ***CORRECTION FLUID IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.***

2. LOCAL PREFERENCE CONDITIONS

It is the responsibility of the Bidder to review the Local Preference Conditions attached to this bid and comply with all requirements therein.

3. MINOR DEVIATIONS

Specifications referred to herein are used to indicate desired type, and/or construction, and/or operation. Other products and/or services may be offered if deviations from specifications are minor and if all deviations are properly outlined and stated in the bid document. Failure to outline all deviations will be grounds for rejection of your bid.

The decision of the City of Detroit, acting through the Chief Procurement Officer, shall be final as to what constitutes acceptable deviations from specifications.

4. RENEWAL

The proposed agreement may be renewed per contract terms. Both parties must agree to an extension under the same terms and conditions as exist in the then current contract.

5. AWARD

One or multiple awards will be made on a low bid basis, as determined by the City of Detroit based on contractor(s) ability and equipment as described in the specification. Blank spaces are considered to be no offer. The City of Detroit reserves the right to delete any item(s) from the award. The City of Detroit reserves the right to limit the amount of the award per contractor.

6. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

The City reserves the absolute right to terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the City at its sole discretion on thirty (30) days written notice to the Vendor.

7. PRICE

Discount from price list is FIRM. Price list is subject to adjustment to superseding published price list(s) and/or supplement(s). The City of Detroit must be notified in advance before any price increase becomes effective.

If, during the period of this contract, the parties cannot mutually agree on the extent of any change in the market price, the City of Detroit reserves the right to terminate the contract without prejudice.

8. SHIPMENT

The Contractor will be expected to make reasonably prompt deliveries consistent with quantities ordered. Should an emergency arise for items, which are not available, The City of Detroit reserves the right to secure sufficient quantities from others to meet its immediate needs without prejudice of the proposed contract. If, however, in the sole opinion of the Finance Department, Office of Contracting and Procurement, the contractor fails to render reasonably prompt delivery service, the City of Detroit may terminate the contract forthwith and no damages will accrue.

The City of Detroit wherein referred to shall mean the City of Detroit, acting through the Chief Procurement Officer.

9. OPTIONAL ITEMS

The following items are to be offered as optional items, not to be included in the total bid price. The City of Detroit shall have the option of adding desired quantities of these items to the purchase order. The bidder shall list the model number and price for each listed item. In the event a single device is capable of satisfying two (2) or more features required, the bidder shall so state, giving details.

10. ORDER QUANTITIES

Actual quantities ordered will be contingent on funds available at time of purchase. The City of Detroit reserves the right to reduce quantities if price quoted exceeds budgetary limitations or to increase quantities if funds are available.

11. F.O.B.

Goods are to be F.O.B. delivered to location(s) within the City of Detroit and other specified locations as indicated.

12. ITEMS FOR EVALUATION

For bids based on a discount from Published Price List, quantities listed on the attached sheet entitled "ITEMS FOR EVALUATION" will be used for determining award of contract only and are not guaranteed. These items are not to be considered as the only items to be purchased. Evaluation will be made in the Office of Contracting and Procurement by multiplying the quantity indicated in this bid form for each item by the Catalog Price less Discount. Enter the gross price of the items for evaluation. City of Detroit will compute net price. DO NOT QUOTE PRICES FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED OR REQUESTED IN BID.

13. INSURANCE

| TYPE | AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN: |
|---|--|
| Automobile Liability Insurance (covering all owned, hired and non-owned vehicles with personal and property protection insurance, including residual liability insurance under Michigan no fault insurance law) | \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage |
| Workers' Compensation | Michigan Statutory minimum |

14. CONTRACT ACCEPTANCE

The successful bidder shall be notified of the execution of a contract by the City of Detroit upon issuance of a "Contract Award Notice" or a Purchase Order. The "Contract Award Notice" shall contain the date the contract award was approved.

The signed, accepted bid of the successful bidder will be the contract between the bidder and the City of Detroit, containing the full description of all contractual terms and conditions. A copy of your signed bid will not be mailed to you. Each bidder shall keep a copy of his/her signed bid form for future reference.

15. BID WITHDRAWAL

No bid shall be withdrawn for 90 days from submission deadline. Bidders may reduce this period if stated on bid, but such bids may be rejected on the basis of the reduced time period.

This paragraph supersedes paragraph 14 of the General Conditions.

16. EQUALIZATION FACTOR

In accordance with Ordinance No. 15-00, any Detroit based firm shall be deemed a better bid than the bid of any competing firm which is not Detroit-based, whenever the bid of such competing firm shall be equal to or higher than the bid of the Detroit-based firm after the appropriate equalization percentage credit from the Equalization Allowance Table has been applied to the bid of the Detroit-based firm.

The firm making the lowest bid thus evaluated shall be deemed the lowest bidder.

Vendors who wish to receive Equalization credit for bids submitted must fill out the attached Equalization Eligibility Form and return it with their bid document along with any supporting documentation required to substantiate eligibility. The Equalization Eligibility Form and supporting documentation must be submitted with each and every bid response submitted by the vendor. Failure to return the Equalization Eligibility Form and/or Affidavit along with required documentation will result in equalization credit not being applied to your bid.

17. CLEANLINESS OF THE WORK AND STREETS

The work itself, and all property used therewith, shall be kept in a neat and orderly condition at all times. Excess waste and rejected materials, rubbish and debris shall not be allowed to accumulate. Construction equipment, and excess materials shall be promptly removed from site when no longer needed for the progress of the work. Upon completion of the work, the contractor shall restore the site to original condition.

18. ALTERNATE BID

Additional bids submitted on brands other than the brands referenced in the specification shall clearly be labeled (ALTERNATE). Alternate bids submitted will be at no cost to the city of Detroit. The decision of the City of Detroit, acting through the Chief Procurement Officer, shall be final as to what constitutes an acceptable alternate from specifications.