

City of Montrose
Purchasing Division
433 South First Street
PO Box 790
Montrose, CO 81402



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Recyclable Material Facility

Issue Date: 11/8/2022

Bid Number: 22-022

Agent/Contact: Jim Scheid

Submissions Must Be Received by: December 12, 2022 by 10:00AM MST

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

The City of Montrose is requesting proposals through the Request for Proposal process to perform services of Recyclable Material Facility, Proposals will be publicly received and registered on December 12, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Montrose City Hall, 433 S. 1st Street, Montrose, CO 81401. Late proposals will not be accepted and it is the responsibility of the proposers to ensure that proposals (including signed addenda) arrive in the City's purchasing office by 10:00 AM on the date listed above.

Complete bid packets can be downloaded from the City web page at www.cityofmontrose.org under Department Services, Purchasing, and Open Bids. Addenda will be posted to the website and it is the proposer's responsibility to download, review, sign, and include addenda with their proposal.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive irregularities and/or informalities and to disregard all non-conforming, non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional proposals. The City of Montrose complies with all Equal Opportunity requirements. All qualified proposers will receive consideration without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, sex, marital status, religion, ancestry, mental or physical handicap or age. The project is also bid according to the City of Montrose local preference policy in effect on the date of the bid opening and detailed in the official Municipal Code of the City of Montrose, Section 1-16-4(B).

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These General Terms and Conditions apply to all Offers made to the City of Montrose (hereafter "City") by all prospective vendors/proposers (herein after referred to as "Bidder") regarding City Solicitations including, but not limited to, Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Requests for Quotes, and Requests for Qualifications (hereafter "Solicitation" or Bid Solicitation).

A. CONTENTS OF BID

1. Bidders shall thoroughly read the project requirements and specifications, and shall examine any drawings and documents which may be incorporated into the Bid documents. As Bid documents frequently change for each Solicitation, veteran Bidders shall not assume that this Solicitation contains the same terms and conditions that were supplied in prior Solicitations. The City is not obligated to identify either minimal or substantial modifications to Bid documents.
2. Bidders shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding the plant and facilities affected by the delivery of services, materials, and equipment as required by the Bid conditions. No plea of ignorance by the Bidder of conditions that exist, or may hereafter exist, as a result of failure to fulfill the requirements of the contract documents, will be accepted as the basis for varying the requirements of the City or the compensation to the Bidder.
3. Bidders are advised that all City contracts are subject to all legal requirements contained in City Ordinances and State and Federal Statutes governing purchasing activities.
4. Bidders are required to state the exact intentions of their offer to the City via this Solicitation and must indicate any variances to the terms, conditions, and specifications of this Solicitation, no matter how slight. If variations are not stated in the Bidder's Offer, it shall be construed that the Bidder's Offer fully complies with all conditions identified in this Solicitation.

B. CLARIFICATION AND MODIFICATION OF BID SOLICITATION

1. Apparent silence or omissions within this Bid Solicitation regarding a detailed description of the materials and services to be provided shall be interpreted to mean that only the best commercial practices are to prevail and that only materials and workmanship of first quality are to be used.
2. If any Bidder contemplating submitting a Proposal under this Solicitation is in doubt as to the true meaning of the specifications, the Bidder must submit a written e-mail request for clarification to the City's Agent/Contact. The Bidder submitting the request will be responsible for ensuring that the City receives the request at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the scheduled bid opening or as noted in the special conditions.
3. Any official interpretation of the Bid Solicitation must be issued in writing by the City's Agent/Contact who is authorized to act on behalf of the City, or by the City's Legal Department. The City shall not be responsible for other interpretations offered by employees of the City who are not authorized to act on behalf of the City for this project.

4. If necessary, the City may issue a written addendum to clarify or inform of substantial changes which impact the technical submission of Bids. Addenda will be posted to the website and it is the Bidder's responsibility to download addenda. The Bidder shall certify its receipt of the addendum by signing the addendum and returning it with its Bid. In the event of a conflict with the original Bid Solicitation documents, addenda shall supersede all other documents to the extent specified. Subsequent addenda shall govern over prior addenda only to the extent specified.

C. PRICING, COLLUSION, AND TAXES

1. Current Prices. Bid Proposals must be fixed and firm unless stated otherwise in the Bid Solicitation.
2. Discounts. Discounts shall not be considered in determining the lowest net cost for Bid evaluation purposes. Payment terms shall be as set forth in any contract executed between the City and the Bidder. Payment by the City is deemed to be made on the date of the mailing of the check, or as otherwise set forth in any contract executed between the City and the Bidder.
3. Collusion. The Bidder, by affixing its signature to this Proposal, certifies that its Proposal is made without previous understanding, agreement, or connection either with any persons, or entities offering a Bid for the same items, or with the City. The Bidder also certifies that its Bid is in all respects fair, without outside control, collusion, fraud, or otherwise illegal action. To ensure integrity of the City's public procurement process, all Bidders are hereby placed on notice that any and all Bidders who falsify the certifications required in conjunction with this section shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
4. It shall be understood and agreed that Bid Offers submitted by persons and entities are done so independently of any other offers, and that Bidders will not knowingly participate in solicitations where there exists a conflict of interest with their entity and a member of City staff or their immediate family.
5. Taxes. Bidders will neither include Federal, State, nor applicable Local excise or sales taxes in bid prices, as the City is exempt from payment of such taxes. The Colorado Department of Revenue, Certification of Exemption for Colorado State Sales/Use Tax account number for the City of Montrose is 98-01805-0000. An exemption certificate will be provided, where applicable, upon request.

D. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BID

1. The Proposal must be typed or legibly printed in ink. The use of erasable ink is not permitted. All corrections made by the Bidder must be initialed in ink by the Bidder or its lawful agent.
2. Bid Proposals must contain a manual signature of an authorized agent of the Bidder in the space provided on the Bid Proposal Form. If the Bidder or its lawful agent fails to sign the Bid Proposal Form, its Bid shall be considered non-responsive and ineligible for award.

3. Unit prices shall be provided by the Bidder on the Bid Proposal Form when required in conjunction with the prescribed method of award. The Bidder shall enter "No Bid" for each item where a unit price will not be offered. Where there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the extension of prices, the unit price shall prevail.
4. The delivery and/or completion date(s) provided by the Bidder, if required, must be stated in calendar days, following receipt of order/contract or official notice to proceed.
5. All information and supplemental documentation required in conjunction with this Bid shall be furnished by the Bidder with its Bid Proposal. If the Bidder fails to supply any required information or documents, the City, in its sole discretion, may consider the Proposal non-responsive.
6. The accuracy of the Bid is the sole responsibility of the Bidder. No changes in the Proposal shall be allowed after the submission deadline, except when the Bidder can show clear and convincing evidence that an unintentional factual mistake was made, including the nature of the mistake and the price actually intended.
7. The Bid Proposal Form shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the City. The envelope shall clearly identify the bid number and title when submitted to the City. The Bidder shall also include its name and address on the outside of the envelope.
8. The City's Bid Proposal Form, which is attached to this Bid Solicitation, must be used when the Bidder is submitting its Bid Proposal. The Bidder shall not alter this form unless instructed to do so in writing by the City. Failure to use the City's Bid Proposal Form may result in the Bid being considered non-responsive.
9. Offers in response to formal Bid Solicitations will not be accepted by facsimile or electronic transmission. Only signed written offers will be considered responsive, and eligible for possible award. Bidders shall provide Proposal Forms, Statement of Work/Technical Offer Section, Special Conditions, Specifications and Pricing Form, and any other mandatory submittals with the bid.
10. Bidders who qualify their Proposals by including alternate contractual provisions should be aware that the City does not negotiate the terms of its contracts, and will ordinarily declare such Bid Proposals non-responsive. Once bids have been opened, the City shall not consider any subsequent submissions of alternate terms and conditions.
11. Bid Bonds (5% of total bid price) and performance and payment bonds (100% of total bid price) are required on construction projects over \$50,000.
12. Insurance certificates are required after a Notice of Award has been issued. Costs for additional coverage must be accounted for in the Bidder's proposal cost.
13. Bid Proposals received after the submission due date and time prescribed for the solicitation shall not be considered.

E. VENDOR APPLICATION AND RETENTION ON BIDDERS' LIST

The City does not maintain a bidder's list. Register to receive an automated email notification of new bids by visiting www.cityofmontrose.org - Department Services - Purchasing – Bid Notification.

F. MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF LEGITIMATE OFFERS

1. Bidder offers may be modified in the form of an official written notice, and must be received prior to the due time and date set forth in the Bid Solicitation. Each modification submitted must have the Bidder's name and return address and the applicable bid number and title clearly marked on the face of the envelope. If more than one modification is submitted, the modification bearing the latest date of receipt by the City will be considered the valid modification.
2. Bids may be withdrawn prior to the due time and date set for the Solicitation, provided it is in the form of an official, authorized written request.
3. Proposals may not be modified or withdrawn after the due date and time set for the Bid opening for a period of ninety (90) calendar days. If a Bid Proposal is modified or withdrawn by the Bidder during this ninety (90) day period, the City may, at its option, place the Bidder on suspension and may not accept any further Bid Proposals from the Bidder for a period set by the City following the Bidder's modification or withdrawal of its Proposal. The City may reject an offer, in whole or in part, as set forth in the City of Montrose Municipal Code and the City's Procurement Manual.

G. EVALUATION OF OFFERS

1. Offers shall be evaluated based upon their responses to the questions and requests for information in this Bid Solicitation, and based upon whether and to what degree they comply with the instructions set forth herein. Thoroughness, accuracy, veracity, and professionalism in the responses shall be taken into account.
2. The City may, in its sole and absolute discretion:
 - a. Reject any and all, or parts of any or all, Bid Proposals submitted by prospective Bidders;
 - b. Re-advertise this Solicitation;
 - c. Postpone or cancel the Bid process for this Solicitation;
 - d. Waive any irregularities or technicalities in proposals received in conjunction with this Solicitation;
 - e. Determine the criteria and process whereby Proposals are evaluated and awarded.
3. A Proposal may not be accepted from, nor any contract be awarded to, any person or entity which is in arrears to the City upon any debt or Contract or which is in default as surety or otherwise upon any obligation to the City.
4. No Contract shall be awarded to any person or entity which has failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with the City, the State or Federal government for a minimum period of one (1) year after said previous Contract was terminated for cause.

5. A Proposal may not be accepted from, nor any Contract awarded to, any person or entity which has pending litigation against the City at the date and time of the Bid Opening.

H. AWARD OF CONTRACT

1. The City's Agent/Contact is authorized to handle initial contacts regarding any protest of the solicitation or award of a City contract, or any claim arising out of the performance of a City contract, with the City Manager's approval. Any actual or prospective Bidder or Contractor who has a grievance in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract shall first seek resolution of the matter with the City's Agent/Contact.
2. If the City Manager or City designee does not, within thirty (30) days after receiving a protest, or within such longer period as may be agreed upon by the parties, issue a written decision on the protest or make a determination that award of the contract is necessary, the protest shall be considered denied.
3. By law, the City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposed bids, or any combination of them, and to waive any informality or irregularity in the bid or in the bidding.
4. Successful Bidders shall comply with all local, state, and federal directives, ordinances, rules, orders, and laws as applicable to, and affected by, the Bid Proposal.
5. No Bidder shall be excluded from consideration for award in conjunction with this solicitation on the basis of race, color, creed, national origination, handicap, or sex, or be subjected to discrimination under any contractual award administered by the City.

I. CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

1. In order to ensure the efficient utilization of tax dollars, successful Bidders shall comply with all contractual obligations contained in the Contract Documents, as set forth in the contract signed by the City and Bidder. A sample contract that Bidder will be expected to sign is supplied with these Bid Documents.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

A. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

There will not be a pre bid meeting.

B. CONTACT PERSON

During the course of this request process, from issuance until a recommendation for award, Bidders shall not initiate contact related to this request with anyone other than the officially designated individual:

For this bid the contact is Jim Scheid at (970) 417-8447 or email: jscheid@cityofmontrose.org

Failure to abide by this requirement may result in disqualification from further participation in this process.

C. QUESTION DEADLINE

All questions regarding this Request for Proposal shall be directed by email to Jim Scheid jscheid@cityofmontrose.org. All inquiries shall clearly identify the name of the firm and the authorized representative, the RFP number and Title and a method or address to which the responses shall be made.

The deadline for receipt of questions from Bidders in regards to this RFP is December 1st, 2022

Responses will be prepared by the City in an addendum and published on the City of Montrose web site at: www.cityofmontrose.org under Department Services, Purchasing, Open bids, and this bid name. The responses in writing are the only official answers.

D. SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

The City desires to receive a clear, concise, economical presentation of the vendor's proposal. Bidders shall submit the following with their bid:

1. One original of the signed bid packet proposal forms
2. One original of the proposed rates as defined in the Price Sheet (See Section 3.1 in the Statement of Work)
3. One original of the proposed Qualifications/Service offered (See Section 3.1 in the Statement of Work)
4. One original of the signed bid addenda

Submit all of the above in a sealed envelope with the bidder's name, bid number, and project name clearly written on the envelope. Failure to submit a proposal in the manner indicated may be cause for it to be considered 'non-responsive' and ineligible for consideration and subsequent award.

PROPOSAL FORM - PAGE 1

SUBMITTED BY:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

CERTIFICATION: (if a Submission is Offered):

The undersigned hereby affirms that:

- He/she is a duly authorized agent of the Bidder;
- He/she has read the General Terms and Conditions, the Special Conditions and any technical specifications that were made available to the Bidder in conjunction with this Bid and fully understands and accepts these terms unless specific variations have been expressly listed on the Bid Proposal Form;
- The Submission is being offered independently of any other Bidder and in full compliance with the collusive prohibitions specified in the General Terms and Conditions of this solicitation; and
- The Bidder will accept any awards made to them as a result of this Solicitation for a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days following the date and time of the bid opening.

By: _____

Manual Signature of Agent

Date

Typed/Printed Name of Agent

Title of Agent

Include Original with Submission

Affix Manual signature of authorized agent.

PROPOSAL FORM - PAGE 2

Company Name: _____

VARIATIONS:

The Bidder shall identify all variations and exceptions taken to the General Terms and Conditions, the Special Conditions, and any Technical Specifications in the space provided below; provided, however, that such variations are not expressly prohibited in the Bid documents. For each variation listed, reference the applicable section of the bid document. If no variations are listed here, it is understood that the Bidder's Proposal fully complies with all terms and conditions. It is further understood that such variations may be cause for determining that the Bid Proposal is non-responsive and ineligible for award:

Page #: _____ Item # of Section: _____

Variance

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Variance

STATEMENT OF WORK

PART 1 – GENERAL ITEMS

1.1 DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

The City of Montrose wishes to ensure the long-term sustainability of curb side single stream recycling. The City of Montrose would like to enter into a service agreement (starting January 1st, 2023) with a local provider of a Recyclable Materials Facility that will allow the City to collect the residents' recyclable materials and deliver that material to the recycling market. The City of Montrose will collect the curb side single stream recyclable material and deliver to a local facility.

PART 2 – SCOPES OF WORK

2.1 COMMINGLED RECYCLABLE MATERIALS FACILITY

- A. Facility owned by Contractor is situated on properties located within 5 miles of the City limits of the City of Montrose, Colorado.
- B. Provide the resources, knowledge, manpower, equipment and other qualifications necessary to properly operate and maintain drop off location and to properly transport the recyclables deposited at the location with the anticipated monthly quantities of between 50 and 80 Tons of recyclable materials (Exhibit B).
- C. Recyclable Materials Facility is to accept commingled (single stream) recyclable materials (Exhibit B).

2.2 SERVICE AGREEMENT

- A. Enter into Independent Contractor and Professional Service Agreement as shown in Exhibit A.

2.3 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. The following related documents are referenced throughout this document and are included with the bid documents on the City's website. The intention of these attachments is to illustrate the intended concepts as a starting point for pricing.

- Exhibit A: Sample Service Agreement
- Exhibit B: Recyclable/Non-Recyclable List

PART 3 – PROPOSAL FORMAT AND SELECTION

3.1 PROPOSAL FORMAT

The proposal should include the following at a minimum:

- A. Price Sheet
 - a. Cost per ton for recyclable material delivered to the Recyclable Material Facility
 - b. Cost associated with contamination fees; if applicable
 - c. Any and all other costs/rebates; if applicable
- B. Qualifications/Service
 - a. Facility Capacity
 - b. Facility Location
 - c. Experience in service of type and quantity (example – how are trucks weighed in and out?)
 - d. Explanation of how materials are delivered from facility in Montrose to Recycling Markets, where they are delivered, how they are delivered, etc

3.2 SELECTION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated by the City of Montrose by assigning a score between 0 and 5 in each of the weighted categories listed below.

- Price: 50%
- Qualifications/Service: 50%

Proposals will initially be evaluated independently. Depending on the results of the initial evaluation process, a short list of proposers may be invited for one-hour project presentations and interviews with the City. Following these interviews, final scores will be assigned collectively and used as the basis for selection of the preferred consultant.

END OF SECTION