

Request for Proposal RFP 2022-05

Black Masking Curtain for the Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center City of Charleston, WV

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Please be sure the following documents are included in this bid package:

- 1. Purchasing Affidavit
- 2. Purchasing Affidavit for Local Vendor Preference (If applicable)
- 3. Signed Protest Page
- 4. Addendum Acknowledgement Form if an addendum was issued.
- 5. List of Stockholders
- 6. Bid Surety Bond
- 7. Signed Drug Free Workplace Affidavit

INTENT

The Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center / Municipal Auditorium Board is seeking proposals for Black Masking Curtains for use in the Coliseum. This work shall include the furnishing of all materials, and equipment necessary to complete and protect all phases of the work performed as shown upon the attached details and in accordance with these specifications

The details contained in the following specifications are not designed to exclude any manufacturer from bidding but are offered as a means of describing the needs of the City of Charleston. Where brand names are used, the words "or equal" are assumed to follow. All specifications are minimum requirements unless otherwise stated. Any deviations from the stated specifications must be described in detail. The merit of such deviations will be considered with regard to the City of Charleston's intended use.

INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

1. Receipt and Opening of Bids

The City of Charleston (City) invites bids on the attached forms. Sealed bids will be received in the City Manager's Office until **Wednesday**, **January 19**, **2022**, **10:30** a.m. The bid opening will be held 11:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Office.

2. Preparation of Bid

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the following information marked on the outside: name of bidder, address, project name, and bid opening date and time. The bid must be submitted to the City Manager's Office located at 501 Virginia Street East, Room 101, Charleston, WV 25301. Vendors may hand deliver or mail their submissions to the aforementioned address. Bid packages shall contain one (1) original and one (1) copy of the vendor's entire bid submission. All documents in bid packet must be signed, dated and notarized where applicable or bid may be disqualified.

3. Addenda

All questions pertaining to the specifications shall be submitted in writing to Purchasing Director, Jamie Bowles via email to bids@cityofcharleston.org no later than 4:00pm, Thursday, January 13, 2022. Questions submitted will then be compiled and answered in an addendum to be issued no later than 4:00pm, Friday, January 14, 2022. The City of Charleston will not be held responsible for oral interpretations of the specifications given by any of its employees, representatives, or others. The issuance of a written addendum is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification, or additional information pertaining to this RFP can be given. If any addenda are issued to this RFP, the Interim Purchasing Director will attempt to notify all prospective bidders who have secured the original RFP document. However, it will be the responsibility of each vendor, prior to submitting their proposal, to contact the

Purchasing Director via phone at (304) 348-8014, by email to bids@cityofcharleston.org, or by checking the City of Charleston Website at https://charlestonwv.gov/bids-purchasing/current-bids, to determine if any addenda were issued and to make such addenda a part of their competitive proposal.

4. Bid Surety Bond

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid surety in the form of a cashier's or certified check, or a bond written by a company licensed to do business in West Virginia, in the amount of 5% of the total bid for the project. The bid surety shall be made payable to the City of Charleston.

The bid surety will be forfeited to the City if the Contractor fails or refuses to execute and deliver the contract and construction bond. All bidders will receive a full refund upon execution of the contract.

5. Method of Award

The City Council or City Manager reserves the right to reject any or all bids and is not necessarily bound to accept the lowest bid if that bid is contrary to the best interest of the City. In making an award, intangible factors such as bidder's service, integrity, facilities, equipment, reputation and past performance will be weighed.

6. Stockholders

A list of all stockholders by name and address owning 5% or more of the bidder's current stock must be submitted with the bid. In the case of partnerships or sole proprietorships, those receiving a 5% or more share of the company's net profit must be listed.

7. Equal Employment Opportunities

All bidders acknowledge and agree that, in the performance of any City contract, they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin.

8. Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA)

All bidders in connection with the performance of this project shall certify that they are in complete compliance with the above noted Act.

9. Payment Terms

Payment terms are net 30 days from the first or fifteenth day of the month for invoices received by the first or fifteenth day of the month. The Contractor shall supply a certified payroll with each invoice submitted. Mail invoices to: City Engineer, City of Charleston, P.O. Box 2749, Charleston, WV 25330. Hand deliver invoices to: 114

Dickinson St., Charleston, WV. An acceptance letter/final invoice must be reviewed and signed by an authorized representative of the Department responsible for payment.

10. Local Vendor Preference

A local vendor may qualify for a competitive advantage applied to its bid when certain conditions are met. Such as, the vendor has marked on its bid submission that it is requesting to be considered a local vendor for bid evaluation purposes; the vendor provides documentation evidencing that it has the right to conduct business in the State of West Virginia; and the vendor submits an affidavit confirming that it has paid all applicable business taxes to the city or has a non-delinquent payment plan with the city and has had an active and current business and occupation tax account with the city collector during the entire preceding one-year period.

Competitive advantages shall be applied in the following manner:

- (1) A competitive advantage of 4% shall be applied to the local vendor's bid when, prior to applying the competitive advantage, the apparent lowest responsible bidder submits a bid that is greater than \$25,000 but does not exceed \$125,000.
- (2) The competitive advantage of \$5,000 shall be applied to the local vendor's bid when, prior to applying the competitive advantage, the apparent lowest responsible bidder submits a bid that is greater than \$125,000.

11. Business & Occupation Tax

The City of Charleston broadly imposes a Business & Occupation Privilege Tax for the act or privilege of engaging in business activities within the City of Charleston. Business & Occupation Tax is measured by the application of rates against gross receipts or gross income of the business. All business activities are classified, and the classifications are significant inasmuch as the tax liability varies based on the different rates established for the specific types of business activities.

Individuals or businesses who do not have a physical location or office located in the City of Charleston are also subject to Business & Occupation Tax if they: 1) lease tangible personal property to lessees in Charleston, or 2) perform construction or installation contracts in Charleston or 3) render services in Charleston. Additionally, anyone who sells and/or delivers goods or products in Charleston may also be subject to Business & Occupation Tax.

Business & Occupation Tax should be considered when preparing your bid. If you are uncertain as to your business activity or how your business should properly calculate the tax when preparing your bid, please contact us at botax@cityofcharleston.org.

NOTE: No contract or purchase of materials or equipment will be awarded to a company whose Business & Occupation Tax status is delinquent.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

- Bid shall be delivered F.O.B. to: the City Manager's Office located at 501 Virginia Street East, Room 101, Charleston, WV 25301.
- Shipping and warranty costs must be included in the price proposal.
- Only new equipment will be accepted. No factory refurbished, display or used equipment is allowed. All manuals, warranties and agreements must arrive at the time the equipment is delivered.
- Bidder shall state on bid proposal form number of days allowed for delivery of equipment following date of firm order. Time is of the essence with regard to this project.
- Only one bid will be accepted from each vendor.
- Equipment will not be accepted by the City if all specifications and any other requirements have not been met. Return of the equipment, if necessary, will be at the expense of the bidder.
- Any deviations from the bid specifications must be included on a separate sheet and attached to the bid form.
- Enclose with this bid proposal all manufacturer brochures, all warranty agreements
 on equipment proposed, a list of the company's stockholders, the city's Purchasing
 Affidavit and any other documents as required by the City and described in this
 document. Firms must acknowledge the City's protest process, attached herein, by
 submitting a signed copy with their bid proposal. Firms may not be considered, at
 the City's discretion, if any of the listed enclosures are not included with the
 bid submission.
- Per City Code, facsimile, telephonic or oral bids will not be accepted.
- Debarred vendors may not submit bids or be awarded contracts.
- The City of Charleston is exempt from state and local taxes.
- The City Council or the City Manager reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
- Contract and Contract Documents

The Contract includes the invitation for bids, proposal, contract form, contract bond, specifications, special provisions, plans, notice to proceed, any change orders and other supplemental agreements that are required to complete the construction of the work in an acceptable manner.

The quantities listed in the contract documents are estimates. The City will pay for quantities actually in place. The City reserves the right to vary the quantities up to 50% with no change in unit price, except for optional items that may or may not be completed as part of this project.

Materials, Services, and Facilities

The Contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, equipment, and all other supplies to complete the project in the specified time except as noted in the Contract Documents.

Traffic Control

A minimum of one lane of traffic is to be maintained on all streets whenever possible. The Contractor shall provide adequate cones, signs, and if necessary flag persons with appropriate clothing and equipment to control traffic during all phases of the operation. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to notify the City Traffic Department, the City Engineer and the local residents of traffic and parking disruptions prior to beginning work.

Costs for all traffic control is incidental to the project.

Changes in Work

No changes in the work will be allowed without prior approval of the City. Changes will be accounted for by unit bid prices, an agreed lump sum, or the actual cost of labor, materials, rental costs, and other applicable costs.

Time of Completion

The project shall be substantially complete within sixty (60) days after the Notice of Award is issued and full execution of contract.

2022-05 Black Masking Curtains

Description	Date		
Technical Questions Due	Thursday January 13, 2022, 4:00 pm		
Bid Receipt Deadline/ Bid Opening	Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 10:30 a.m.		

DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS

1: Black Masking Curtain Specifications

Provider is to furnish a complete set of Black Masking Curtains and accessories as outlined below.

- 1.1 Three (3) Main Blackout Curtain Panels:
 - a. 40' high by 25' wide
 - b. 15-16oz IFR Black Synthetic Material
 - c. 2" Finished Sides; 4" double turn bottom hem to hold chain
 - d. Top sewn with nylon webbing / hooks / grommets 12" on center
 - e. Diapering System
 - f. Venue Identification Tag
- 1.2 Fifty (50) Upper Level Border Blackout Curtain Panels:
 - g. 40' high by 15' wide
 - h. 15-16oz IFR Black Synthetic Material
 - i. 2" Finished Sides; 4" double turn bottom hem to hold chain
 - j. Top sewn with nylon webbing / hooks / grommets 12" on center
 - k. Venue identification tag
- 1.3 Twelve (12) Bushel Hampers With Lids:
 - I. No Logo
 - m. Nestable when empty
 - n. Stackable when filled
- 1.4 Three (3) Pull-up Ropes or Tow Straps:
 - o. Appropriate tools for yanking panels 55' up onto catwalk
- 1.5 Tieline:
 - p. 600' reel or appropriate length for 3' at each grommets
 - q. Appropriate tensile rating for panel weight

2. Warranty and Freight

- 2.1 Product and accessories being bid must include a minimum two-year manufacturer's warranty.
- 2.2 Freight on equipment shall be FOB and included in the pricing page with the bid.

3. Facility Map

3.1 Facility Map including curtain placement has been provided as attachment A.

EXCEPTIONS AND DEVIATIONS

Bidder shall fully describe every variance, exception and/or debid form. Additional sheets may be used if required.	leviation. Please include with your	
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CITY OF CHARLESTON BID AND PROPOSAL FORM 2022-05 Black Masking Curtain

We agree to sell and perform for the City of Charleston the above project as described in the attached specifications for the price listed below:

Description	Quantity	Unit Cost	Item Total
Item 1.1: Main Blackout Curtain Panels	3		
Item 1.2: Upper-Level Border Blackout Curtain Panels	50		
Item 1.3: Bushel Hampers with Lids	12		
Item 1.4: Pull-up Ropes or Tow Straps	3		
Item 1.5: Tieline	1		
Item 2.2 Freight	:		
		BASE BID TOTAL:	

The Bidder is also required to submit prices for all of the following bid alternate items. All are alternative items unless otherwise indicated, the contract will be awarded to the bidder with the lowest base bid meeting all of the specifications.

CITY OF CHARLESTON BID AND PROPOSAL FORM

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Company Name:			
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Street	City	State	Zip
Telephone Number:		Fax Number	
Email Address:			

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CITY OF CHARLESTON PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

VENDOR OWING A DEBT TO THE STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION:

West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a provides that: No contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in the aggregate.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS & DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT:

If this is a solicitation for a public improvement construction contract, the vendor, by its signature below, affirms that is has a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy in compliance with Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the **West Virginia Code**. The vendor **must** make said affirmation with its bid submission. Further, public improvement construction contracts may not be awarded to a vendor who does not have a written plan for a drug-free workplace policy in compliance with Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the **West Virginia Code** and who has not submitted that plan to the appropriate contracting authority in a timely fashion. For a vendor who is a subcontractor, compliance with Section 5, Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the **West Virginia Code** may take place before their work on the public improvement is begun.

ANTITRUST:

In submitting a bid to any agency for the state of West Virginia, the bidder offers and agrees that if the bid is accepted, the bidder will convey, sell, assign or transfer to the state of West Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the state of West Virginia for a price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the state of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing agency tenders the initial payment to the bidder.

I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership or person or entity submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, equipment or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I further certify that I am authorized to sign the certification on behalf of the bidder or this bid.

LICENSING:

Vendors must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local agency of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, the West Virginia Insurance Commission or any other state agencies or political subdivision. Furthermore, the vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the Director or spending unit to verify that the vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

The vendor agrees that he or she will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the agency's policies, procedures and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy/noticeConfidentiality.pdf.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (**West Virginia Code** §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor affirms and acknowledges the information in this affidavit and is in compliance with the requirements as stated.

Vendor's Name:		
Authorized Signature:	Date	· ·

MITNESS THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURE:

CITY OF CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

LOCAL VENDOR AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to § 2-480 of the Charleston City Code, a Local Vendor may qualify for a competitive advantage applied to its bid when certain conditions are met. One condition requires the vendor to submit this affidavit confirming that (1) the vendor has paid all applicable business taxes to the City or has a non-delinquent payment plan with the City, and (2) the vendor must state that it has had an active and current business & occupation tax account with the City Collector during the entire one-year period prior to the bid opening.

<u>AFFIRMATION</u>: By singing this form, the vendor's authorized signer affirms and acknowledges under the penalty of law for false swearing (W. Va. Code § 61-5-3) that (1) the vendor has paid all applicable business taxes to the City or has a non-delinquent payment plan with the City, and (2) the vendor has had an active and current business & occupation tax account with the City Collector during the entire one-year period prior to the scheduled bid opening for the procurement listed below.

WITHEOUTHE FOLLOWING SIGNATURE.	
Vendor's Corporate Name:	
Authorized Signature:	Date:
(Printed Name and Title)	
State of	
County of, to wit:	
Taken, subscripted, and sworn before me this	_ day of, 20
[SEAL]	
	Notary Public
My Commission expires	, 20
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Name of Procurement:	Bid Opening Date:

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PROTEST

In the event that any vendor desires to protest City's selection, such vendor (hereinafter "Protestor") shall submit its protest in writing, which must be received by City within two (2) business days of receipt of the Notice of Award letter. Provided that the City Manager reserves the right to extend the time for submission of the protest if he determines it is reasonable under the circumstances.

The written protest must be submitted to the City Manager's Office, Attention: Jonathan Storage 501 Virginia Street East, Room 101; Charleston, WV 25301.

Only vendors who have submitted a timely and responsive proposal may protest City's selection. No protest may be filed if the RFP is withdrawn or if all proposals received in response to the RFP are rejected.

Protests shall include the following information:

- 1. The RFP title and project description;
- 2. The Protestor's name, address, telephone number, and fax number;
- 3. A detailed statement of the legal and/ or factual grounds for the protest;
- 4. A statement as to how the objectionable matter(s) resulted in prejudice to the Protestor;
- 5. Copies of all relevant documents;
- 6. A request for a ruling by City;
- 7. A statement as to the form of relief requested:
- 8. All information establishing that Protestor is an interested party with authority for the purpose of filing a protest.

At the time of submitting the written protest, Protestor shall submit a certified check in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or bond equal to five percent (5%) of the price of the selected proposal, whichever is greater. In the event the proposal being protested is for contracted services, an estimated average of the contract value will be determined in order to calculate the five percent (5%) bond value. This bonding requirement is designed to protect against frivolous claims and unnecessary expenditures of public funds and to allow City to offset any and all costs, fees, expenses or damages of any kind whatsoever incurred by City as the result of an unsuccessful protest.

In the event the protest is unsuccessful, the certified check or bond will be used by City to recoup any and all costs, fees, expenses, or damages of any kind whatsoever incurred by City and related in any way to the unsuccessful protest. Costs, fees, expenses, and damages shall include, but shall not be limited to, increased costs of labor, materials or services resulting from any delay, professional fees, including, but not limited to, attorney fees, and all costs, fees or expenses of any kind whatsoever related in any way to the unsuccessful protest. By signing this document, Protestor waives the right to receive any money retained by City as set forth herein. If there are any funds remaining after City has recouped amounts as permitted herein, the remaining funds will be returned to Protestor. In the event Protestor is successful, the full amount of the certified check or bond will be returned to Protestor.

Upon receipt of a timely written protest, City shall provide notice of the protest to vendor selected as the successful bidder (hereinafter "Selected Vendor") and provide Selected Vendor with a copy of the written protest and any documents related thereto. Selected Vendor will have two (2) business days to file a written response to the protest. A hearing will be held within five (5) business days of the date of receipt of the written protest by Selected Vendor; provided that, City may, in its sole discretion, set the date of the hearing beyond the five (5) day time period specified herein if deemed necessary or convenient to do so by City. At the hearing, both Protestor and Selected Vendor will have an opportunity to appear and present evidence and testimony in support of their positions. The hearing will be held before the City Manager or his designee. The department head of the department seeking the RFP and the City Attorney shall be in attendance.

A decision will be made by City within five (5) business days of the hearing. Upon a decision having been made, both Protestor and Selected Vendor will be notified in writing of City's decision.

In the event City's selection is reversed, City will reevaluate all proposals which were originally and timely submitted, in accordance with state and city laws and regulations. During the reevaluation, issues addressed during the protest proceedings may be considered.

Once a written protest is filed, no work will be performed by Selected Vendor until such time as City has rendered a final decision on the protest; provided that, if City, in its sole discretion, determines time is of the essence regarding receipt of the goods or completion of the services to be performed, City may permit Selected Vendor to proceed pursuant to its proposal and any Agreement with City, until/unless the protest is successful.

By submitting a proposal, each vendor agrees that the procedure outlined herein is the exclusive remedy available to challenge/protest the award of a contract to a successful bidder. Each vendor further agrees that, in the event any qualified vendor fails to submit a written protest and certified check or bond within the time period specified, that vendor thereby forever waives its right to any further claim, action, or remedy, including, but not limited to, the right to bring an action before any administrative agency or any court of competent jurisdiction.

Vendor Signature

Date

ATTACHMENT A



