

Addendum #4
TOWN OF WAYLAND
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
#21-1003-IFB
SCHOOL AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR
BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Submission deadline for receipt of sealed bids is revised to Friday, August 21, 2020 at 12:00 noon.

1. Since the bus manufacturers have been shut down and the bid will be awarded in August would the district allow out of spec buses until such time as the vehicles could be ordered and delivered (2013 buses and 71 passenger)

This has been answered in Addendum #3.

2. Since the bus manufacturers have been shut down and the bid will be awarded in August would the district allow the contractor to transition in the use of the wheelchair vehicle when the vehicle is available?

The bid specifies the need for two buses with a capacity to transport wheelchairs. One bus with the capacity must be available at the start of the contract with access to a second if necessary during the transition, which should be no longer than two months.

3. In order to reduce daily costs would the district consider paying a predetermined % (50%) for days that the district does not run. This would allow the contractor to spread the fixed costs over 180 days rather than estimate the number of days we believe the district would run.

No. The contractor should bid based on the schedule provided. Please note that, if school is cancelled, the Town will still require buses to transport meals.

4. Can the district confirm outside of the alternative bid (where the contractor provides parking) where would the contractor be parking? What would the contractor be required to provide at this location? Trailer? Electricity? ETC? Would the district be willing to provide price protection if a different site would result in significant mileage or hour changes from the original bid specifications?

Parking will be at the Town Building. The Town will work on providing an office to the contractor.

5. Would the district allow use of Zoono Z71 rather than daily disinfection of the buses? This chemical a microbe shield that adheres to the surface and continues to kill germs on contact? We believe this is best and most efficient way to disinfect a bus and can provide more information as needed.

The Town will provide disinfectant.

6. For the alternative 1 would the pricing be annual or per bus per day?

The Bid sheet has been revised.

7. Page 7.1.08 A & B - Submission of Bids

A: "Each bid shall be submitted by 12:00 noon on Friday, July 31, 2020 *in duplicate* on the Form for General Bid furnished loose and separately with the bid documents".

Question: Does this mean you want the bid pricing (Form of General Bid) and the other bid forms together in a separate envelope from the proposal binder?

B: "The Form for General Bid shall be enclosed in a sealed enveloped....."

Question: Does this mean you want just the pricing in a separate envelope? The other bid forms are to go with the proposal binder.

Yes.

Would you kindly clarify how the bid is to be submitted and labeled; the pricing, the bid forms, and the rest of the proposal, as this seems contradictory.

8. Page 8.a Performance Bond

States you are requiring a performance bond.

Page. 9 1.12 D-Contract Terms

States "If the bidder selected as the Contractor fails to execute.....furnish a payment bond as required by the bidding documents..."Question: Are you requiring a performance bond or a payment bond, as they are two different items?

The Town is requiring a performance bond.

9. Page 39 pg. 2 – Letter of Agreement

Please explain what the District is looking for regarding the information requested on the chart. Given the current state of the Covid pandemic, it would be difficult to fill in information regarding seating capacity, at this time.

This information is not required.

10. Expectations of Contractor Page 22 #34. The contractor shall provide on board GPS including district and parent pay apps. Some transportation providers have made significant investments in this technology. Would the district consider adding this as an alternative price to make bids more comparable in their offerings?

The Town does not understand this question.

11. Page 29 Section C- price in numerals and dollars. Is this price supposed to be identical to the price requested n dollars on the bottom of page 32?

There is a new bid sheet that was provided in Addendum #3.

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