



Citywide HVAC Filter Replacement

Invitation for Bids # PSPW-23-19

General Information		
Project Cost Estimate	\$100,000 annually	See Section 1.4
Project Timeline	This contract shall be for a five-year period with no renewal terms. Products shall be delivered within 30 calendar days of the City's issuance of a Purchase Order.	See Section 1.4
Evaluation of Proposals	Staff	See Section 1.7
Pre-Bid Meeting	Not Applicable	See Section 1.8
Question Due Date	January 8, 2024	See Section 1.8
Proposals will be accepted until	January 23, 2024	See Section 1.8
Proposal Security / Bid Bond	☒ Not required. ☐ Required only for bidders that have a total cumulative base proposal amount that exceeds \$200,000. Proposal Security shall be in the amount of 5% of the total cumulative base amount proposed. ☐ Required for every bidder, regardless of proposal amount. Proposal Security shall be in the amount of 5% of the total cumulative base amount proposed. ☐ Required for every bidder, regardless of proposal amount. Proposal Security shall be in the amount of \$10,000 or 5% of the total cumulative base amount proposed, whichever is less.	Not Applicable
100% Payment and Performance Bonds	☒ Not required. ☐ Required, regardless of the awarded contract amount. ☐ Required in the event that the awarded contract exceeds \$200,000.	Not Applicable
Grant or Federal Funding Information	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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SECTION 1 - INSTRUCTIONS

1.1 NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Pembroke Pines is seeking sealed proposals for:

IFB # PSPW-23-19 Citywide HVAC Filter Replacement

Solicitations may be obtained from the City of Pembroke Pines website at <http://www.ppines.com/index.aspx?NID=667> and on the <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website.

If you have any problems downloading the solicitation, please contact the Bonfire Support at Support@GoBonfire.com.

If additional information help is needed with downloading the solicitation package please contact the Procurement Department at (954) 518-9020 or by email at purchasing@ppines.com. The Procurement Department hours are between 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and is located at 8300 South Palm Drive, Pembroke Pines, Florida 33025.

The City requires all questions relating to the solicitation be entered through the “Messages” section for the specific project on the <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website. Under the “Messages” section, vendors will find the “Opportunity Q&A” tab in which they can ask their specific question(s). Responses to the questions will be provided online at https://ppines.bonfirehub.com. Such request must be received by the “Question Due Date” stated in the solicitation. The issuance of a response via Bonfire is considered an Addendum and shall be the only official method whereby such an interpretation or clarification will be made.

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 23, 2024. Proposals must be submitted electronically at <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/>. The sealed electronic proposals will be publicly opened at 2:30 p.m. by the City Clerk’s Office, in the City Hall Administration Building, 4th Floor Conference Room located at 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33025.

1.1.1 VIRTUAL BID OPENING

The bid opening for this project will be held in the **City Clerk’s Office Conference Room** located on the 4th Floor in the Charles F. Dodge City Center/City Hall Administration Building at 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33025 at **2:30 PM on the bid due date.**



In light of public health concerns and to ensure accessibility for all, the City encourages interested parties, vendors, and the public to participate virtually via live streaming instead of attending the meeting in person. To virtually attend the bid opening, please use the Cisco Webex Meetings platform.

Virtual Meeting Details:

- WebEx Meeting Link: <https://ppines.webex.com/meet/purchasing>
- Cisco Webex Meeting Number: 717 019 586
- Join by Phone Number: +1-408-418-9388

The public may download the **Cisco Webex Meetings app** from <https://www.webex.com/downloads.html/>

To ensure an efficient meeting process, participants are requested to mute their audio and camera during the meeting. While the public is welcome to attend the virtual bid opening, **please note that active participation and commenting will not be allowed during the proceedings.**

For further information about the bid opening or assistance in accessing the virtual meeting, please contact:

Danny Benedit, Procurement Department
 City of Pembroke Pines
 8300 South Palm Drive,
 Pembroke Pines, FL 33025
 954-518-9022 or 954-518-9020
purchasing@ppines.com

1.2 PURPOSE

The City of Pembroke Pines is seeking proposals from qualified firms, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor, to supply the City of Pembroke Pines with HVAC filters, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation.

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor shall supply the City with the HVAC filters listed in *Attachment D: List of HVAC Filters Needed Annually*. The annual supply shall be delivered by the Contractor to the City's Warehouse, located at **911 Poinciana Drive, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025**. Delivery shall be any day from Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The City will place a single order for the annual supply of HVAC filters.

Quantities and sizes may change from year to year as HVAC systems are replaced. The Contractor shall agree to accept returns of full and unopened cases if a particular filter size becomes obsolete for the City. Any returns will be made when ordering the next year's supply and shall be picked



up by the Contractor upon delivery of the new order. The contractor shall reimburse the City the full purchase price for all acceptable returns.

1.4 PROJECT COST ESTIMATE & TIMELINE

Staff estimates this project to cost approximately \$100,000 annually.

Products shall be delivered within 30 calendar days of the City's issuance of a Purchase Order

This contract shall be for a five-year period with no renewal terms.

Each year for the entire term of the Agreement, the Annual Fee shall be automatically adjusted according to the annual Consumers Price Index-(CPI/U) Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL Area for the month of October or 4%, whichever is less but not less than zero.

1.5 PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

The <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com> website allows for vendors to complete, scan and upload their documents as part of the proposer's submittal on the website.

Prospective proposers interested in responding to this solicitation are requested to provide all of the information listed in this section. Submittals that do not respond completely to all of requirements specified herein may be considered non-responsive and eliminated from the process. Brevity and clarity are encouraged.

The Bonfire system utilizes "Questionnaires" to request the following information from prospective proposers.

1.5.1 Pricing Sheet / Bid Tables

1. **Bid Table:** The vendor must provide their pricing through the designated lines items listed on the Excel Sheet that is available for download on the Bonfire website under the "**Pricing Sheet / Bid Table**" section. Please follow the instructions given in this package and on the Excel Sheet to complete and upload the information back onto the Bonfire website.
2. **Responses:** This tab of the Bid Table includes a "**Vendor Notes**" column for any additional comments regarding the requested line item(s). A comment is required in the "**Vendor Notes**" column. If the vendor does not need to submit any comments, please enter N/A or similar.
 - a. Below is a sample of the "**Responses**" tab of the Bid Table:



Responses

Success: All data is valid!

Status	Bid/No Bid Decision	#	Item	Thickness (Inches)	Width (Inches)	QTY per Case	Cases to Order	Numeric	Text	Annual QTY of Filter Replacements to Order	Annual Cost
								Cost per Case	Vendor Notes		
Success: All values provided	Bid	#0-1	MERV 13 HVAC Filters	1	10 x 10	12	2	\$ 10.00	Brand Name	24	\$ 20.00
Success: All values provided	Bid	#0-2	MERV 13 HVAC Filters	1	12 x 12	12	26	\$ 10.00	N/A	312	\$ 260.00
Success: All values provided	Bid	#0-3	MERV 13 HVAC Filters	1	12 x 16	12	45	\$ 10.00	Not Applicable	540	\$ 450.00

1. Contact Information Form
2. Proposer's Background Information
3. Vendor Registration Checklist

1.5.3 Other Completed Documents

1. Attachment A: Non-Collusive Affidavit

1.5.4 Optional Documentation**1. Trade Secrets:**

- a. The Proposer's response to this solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.
- b. Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret.



- c. EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED. ALL DOCUMENTS THAT THE FIRM PURPORTS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, PROPRIETARY OR A TRADE SECRET SHALL BE UPLOADED TO THE BONFIRE WEBSITE AS A SEPARATE ATTACHMENT, IN THIS SECTION, CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE EXEMPTION BEING CLAIMED UNDER FLORIDA STATUTES 119.07.
- d. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records.

2. Financial Statements:

- a. The City is **not** requesting the vendor to submit any financial statements for this project and prefers if the vendor does not submit financial statements. In addition, if the City needs a copy of the vendor's financial statements, the City can contact the vendor after the bid due date to request those documents. However, if the vendor does submit the financial statements, they should be uploaded in this section.
- b. Any claim of confidentiality on financial statements must be asserted at the time of submittal. The firm must identify the specific statute that authorizes the exemption from the Public Records Law. Please note that the financial statement exemption provided for in Section 119.071(1)c, Florida Statutes only applies to submittals in response to a solicitation for a "public works" project.

3. Additional Information:

- a. Please provide any additional information that you deem necessary to complete your proposal in this section, if it has not been requested in another section.



1.6 VENDOR REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS

The <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website will allow vendors to update their information and documents on an as-needed basis. This process is intended to make the bidding process easier for vendors that bid on multiple City projects. This process will allow vendors to complete and submit the following standard forms and documents at any time prior to bidding on a project. In addition, the vendors will be able to utilize these same forms without the need to re-fill and re-submit the forms each time they bid on a City project. In the event that the City does not have one of the forms or documents listed below for your company, the City may reach out to your company after the bid has closed to obtain the document(s).

Furthermore, please make sure to update this information on an as-needed basis so that all pertinent information is accurate, such as local business tax receipts, and any other relevant information.

The following documents can be completed prior to the bidding process through the <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website and do not need to be attached to your submittal as the Bonfire website will automatically include it.

1.6.1 Vendor Information Form

1.6.2 Form W-9 (Rev. October 2018)

- a. Previously dated versions of this form will delay the processing of any payments to the selected vendor.

1.6.3 Company Profile Form

1.6.4 Sworn Statement on Public Entity Crimes Form

1.6.5 Equal Benefits Certification Form

1.6.6 Vendor Drug-Free Workplace Certification Form

1.6.7 Scrutinized Company Certification

1.6.8 E-Verify System Certification Statement

- a. Effective January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, the City may not enter into a contract with a vendor/contractor/subcontractor unless that vendor/contractor/subcontractor is registered with and uses the E-Verify system administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”).
- b. Contractor shall also require all subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an



unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract.

1.6.9 Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification

- a. If claiming Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification, business must attach the “Determination Letter” from the United States Department of Veteran Affairs Center for Verification and Evaluation notifying the business that they have been approved as a Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB).
- b. The Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification form must be completed by/for the proposer; the proposer **WILL NOT** qualify for Veteran Owned Small Business Preference based on their sub-contractors’ qualifications.

1.6.10 Local Business Tax Receipts

1.6.11 Local Vendor Preference Certification

1.7 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS & PROCESS OF SELECTION

- A. Staff will evaluate all responsive proposals received from proposers who meet or exceed the bid requirements contained in the solicitation. Evaluations shall be based upon the information contained in the proposals as submitted.
- B. Staff will make a recommendation to the City Commission for award of contract.

1.8 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Event	Time &/or Date
Issuance of Solicitation (Posting Date)	December 12, 2023
Pre-Bid Meeting	Not Applicable
Question Due Date	January 8, 2024
Anticipated Date of Issuance for the Addenda with Questions and Answers	January 11, 2024
Proposals will be accepted until	2:00 p.m. on January 23, 2024
Proposals will be opened at	2:30 p.m. on January 23, 2024
Evaluation of Proposals by Staff	January 23, 2024 – February 12, 2024
Recommendation of Contractor to City Commission award	February 21, 2024

1.9 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Bids/proposals **must be submitted electronically** at <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> on or before 2:00 p.m. on January 23, 2024.



Please note vendors should be registered on Bonfire under the name of the organization that they are operating as and it should match the organization name on the documents that they are submitting and utilizing when responding to the solicitation.

In addition, the vendor must complete any questionnaires on the <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website and provide any additional information requested throughout this solicitation. Any additional information requested in the solicitation should be scanned and uploaded.

The City recommends for proposers to submit their proposals as soon as they are ready to do so. Please allow ample time to submit your proposals on the <https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/> website. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn prior to the deadline for submitting Proposals. Bonfire Support is happy to help you with submitting your proposal and to ensure that you are submitting your proposals correctly, but we ask that you contact Support@GoBonfire.com with ample time before the bid closing date and time.

PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ANY PROPOSALS VIA MAIL, E-MAIL OR FAX.