PURCHASING DIVISION CITY OF WORCESTER MASSACHUSETTS 01608-1895 ROOM 201 - CITY HALL, 455 MAIN ST. PHONE (508) 799-1220

SEALED BID INVITATION (Supplies, Material, Equipment, Services)

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

SEA	LED	RID	NO.	CR.	8302	-M5

DATE: October 8, 2024

CITY OF WORCESTER Christopher J. Gagliastro, MCPPO Purchasing Agent

BUYER: Stephen R. McDonald

NOTICE TO BIDDERS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All bids are subject to the terms and conditions and specificity herein set forth except where specifically deleted by the City of Worcester in Section No. 6 below.

	PLETE ORIGINAL COPY (including ALL pages) OF TELOPE:	THIS BID MUST BE SUBMITTED IN A SEALED
DATE:	E: October 30, 2024	TIME: 10:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME
PLACE	E: Purchasing Division, Room 201, City Hall, Word	eester, Massachusetts
MARK	K SEALED ENVELOPE <u>"Sealed Bid No. CR-8302-M5,</u>	Sidewalk Snow Removal (Ordinance) / City Manager'
	ame and address of the bidder must appear in the upper left asible for bids not properly marked.	hand corner of the envelope. The City of Worcester is not
GENE	ERAL	
1.	specifications of the City of Worcester for a period of tw	Services (ordinance enforced) as per the requirements and o (2) years from December 7, 2024 through December 6, 2026. discretion of the City, the option of which to be determined at ther information.
2.	A certified check or bid bond made payable to the "City \$N/A must accompany this bid.	Treasurer, City of Worcester" in the Amount of
3.	All bids received will be publicly opened and read in the NO BID WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER TIME AND	
4. 5.	1	of the total dollar award is required. of the total dollar award is required.
6.	All terms and conditions are applicable to this proposal e from this invitation: 35-43	xcept the following section numbers which are hereby deleted
7.	Questions pertaining to this bid <u>must be</u> directed to <u>MCDONALDS@worcesterma.gov</u>	Stephen R. McDonald via e-mail at

- 8. The following meanings are attached to the defined words when used in this bid form.
 - The word "City" means The City of Worcester, Massachusetts.
 - The word "Bidder" means the person, firm or corporation submitting a bid on these specifications or any (b) part thereof.
 - The word "Contractor" means the person, firm or corporation with whom the contract is made by (c) carrying out the provisions of these specifications and the contract.
 - The words "Firm Price" shall mean a guarantee against price increases during the life of the contract. (d)
- Any prospective bidder requesting a change in or interpretation of existing specifications of terms and conditions must do so within five (5) days (Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays excluded) BEFORE scheduled bid opening date. All requests are to be in writing to the Purchasing Division (or e-mailed at: MCDONALDS@worcesterma.gov). No changes will be considered or any interpretation issued unless the request is in our hands within five (5) days (Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays excluded) BEFORE scheduled bid opening date.
- 10. The contractor will be required to indemnify and save harmless the City of Worcester, for all damages to life and property that may occur due to his negligence or that of his employees, subcontractors, etc., during this contract.
- 11. The Contract Agreement will be in the form customarily employed by the City of Worcester and is on file in the Purchasing Division at City Hall.
- 12. Bids which are incomplete, not properly endorsed, or signed, or otherwise contrary to these instructions will be rejected as informal by the Purchasing Agent. Conditional bids will not be accepted.
- 13. The Bidder must certify that no official or employee of the City of Worcester, Massachusetts is pecuniarily interested in this proposal or in the contract which the bidder offers to execute or in expected profits to arise therefrom, unless there has been compliance with provisions of G.L. C. 43 Sec. 27, and that this bid is made in good faith without fraud or collusion or connection with any other person submitting a proposal.
- 14. As the City of Worcester is exempt from the payment of Federal Excise Taxes and Massachusetts Sales Tax, prices quoted herein are not to include these taxes.
- 15. All prices are to be firm F.O.B. Destination, City of Worcester, Massachusetts, unless otherwise indicated by the City. Time reserved for award is ninety days.
- 16. In case of error in the extension prices quoted herein, the unit price will govern.
- 17. It is understood and agreed that should any price reductions occur between the opening of this bid and delivery of any order, the benefit of all such reductions will be extended to the City.
- 18. The City of Worcester reserves the right to reject any and all bids, wholly or in part, and to make awards in a manner deemed in the best interest of the City.
- 19. Awards will be made to the bidder quoting the lowest net price in accordance with the specifications.
- 20. The supplier will be bound by all applicable statutory provisions of law of the Federal Government, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the City of Worcester, and the Department of Public Safety of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 21. Any bid withdrawn after time and date specified, the bidder shall forfeit deposit on bid as liquidated damages.
- 22. The contractor will not be permitted to either assign or underlet the contract, not assign either legally or equitably any monies hereunder, or its claim thereto without the previous written consent of the City Treasurer and of the Purchasing Agent of the City of Worcester.
- 23. If this bid shall be accepted by the City, and the bidder shall fail to contract as aforesaid and to give a bond in the amount as specified in Section 4, within ten (10) days, (not including Sunday or a legal Holiday) from the date of the mailing of a notice from the City to him/her, according to the address given herewith, that the contract is ready for signature, the City may by option determine that the bidder has abandoned the contract and thereupon the proposal and

- acceptance shall be null and void and the bid security accompanying this proposal shall become the property of the City as liquidated damages.
- 24. When quoting, the bidder shall submit a signed copy of this bid form, and if bid accepted by the City shall constitute part of the contract of purchase. Do not detach any part of this form 30B (Sealed Bid Goods & Services) when submitting a bid. Bidder must sign and return complete form 30B (Sealed Bid Goods & Services).
- 25. If in the judgment of the Purchasing Agent any property is needlessly damaged by an act or omission of the contractor or his/her employees, servants or agent, the amount of such damages shall be determined by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Worcester and such amount shall be deducted from any money due the contractor or may be recovered from said contractor in actions at law.
- 26. It is agreed that deliveries and/or completion are subject to strikes, lockouts, accidents and/or Acts of God.

INSURANCE AND WORKER'S COMPENSATION

- 27. <u>COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE:</u> Contractor to supply the City of Worcester with certificates of insurance evidencing general liability coverage of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence / \$2,000,000.00 aggregate.
- 28. <u>AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE:</u> Contractor to supply the City of Worcester with certificates of insurance evidencing automobile liability coverage, bodily injury and property damage combined single limit, of \$ 1,000,000.00 (all owned, hired, and non-owned autos).
- 29. <u>COMPENSATION INSURANCE:</u> The contractor shall furnish the City of Worcester with certificates showing that all of his/her employees who shall be connected with this work are protected under statutory worker's compensation insurance policies.
- 30. The Contractor shall carry public liability insurance with an insurance company satisfactory to the City so as to save the City harmless from any and all claims for damages arising out of bodily injury to or death of any person or persons, and for all claims for damages arising our of injury to or destruction of property caused by accident resulting from the use of implements, equipment or labor used in the performance of the contractor or from any neglect, default or omission, or want of proper care, or misconduct on the part of the Contractor or for anyone of his employ during the execution of the contract.
- 31. Prior to starting on this contract, the Contractor shall deposit with the Contracting Officer certificates from the insurer to the effect that the insurance policies required in the above paragraphs have been issued to the Contractor. The certificates must be on a form satisfactory to the Purchasing Agent.
- 32. Except as may otherwise be stated herein, the Contractor shall also carry bodily injury and property damage insurance in an amount not less than those set forth above covering the operation of all motor powered vehicles owned or operated by the Contractor and engaged in this contract.

DISCOUNT

- 33. Prompt pay discounts will be considered when determining the low bid except when discounts are for a period of less than 30 days. In this event prompt pay discounts will not be taken into consideration when determining low bid.
- 34. Time, in connection with discount offered, will be computed from date of completion and/or delivery and acceptance at destination, or from date correct bill or voucher properly certified by the contract is received if the latter date is later than the date of completion and acceptance and/or delivery and acceptance.

GUARANTEE

35. The bidder to who a contract is awarded guarantees to the City of Worcester all equipment, materials and or workmanship for a period of one (1) year after final inspection and acceptance and shall replace promptly any defective equipment, materials and/or workmanship required without additional cost to the City.

DELIVERIES AND COMPLETION

- 36. It is understood and agreed that in the event of failure on the part of the bidder to indicate date of delivery and/or completion, delivery and/or completion will be made within twelve (12) days from date of notification. Should the successful bidder fail to make delivery or complete contract within time specified, the City reserves the right to make the purchase on such orders at the open market and charge any excess over contract price to the account of the successful bidder, who shall pay the same.
- 37. The contractor shall familiarize himself with the location and facilities for storage.
- 38. The City through its Purchasing Division reserves the right to divert delivery from one location to another, and to allow for any change in operating conditions or for any other cause not now foreseen and to proportion deliveries according to available storage facilities.

SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS

- 39. Each bidder must state the commercial name of the product quoted, name, and address of operator or agent from whom the product will be purchased and in addition shall furnish an analysis of the product, date of analysis, by whom made and their address.
- 40. Samples of the product to be delivered may be taken by a representative of the City, either prior to delivery or while it is being delivered in the storage facilities at destination, or will be taken from the storage facilities to which the product has been delivered as determined from time to time by the Purchasing Agent. Bidder agrees to furnish the necessary manual labor, without additional cost required to assemble the physical samples, which is to be performed under the direction of the City representative.
- 41. The representative of the City taking the samples shall be given the opportunity, while sampling, to affix his or her signature to the delivery slip each item represented in his/her sample.
- 42. Any product after the sampling and analysis, not found meeting the requirements of the contract shall be sufficient cause for the cancellation of the contract at the option of the Purchasing Agent.
- 43. If any product is found that does not meet the analysis submitted by the bidder in his/her proposal, the Purchasing Agent may, at his or her option, exercise his/her right to reject the product and require that all or any part thereof shall be removed promptly by and at the expense of the contractor and replace it forthwith with a product satisfactory to the Purchasing Agent, or to retain the product and compensate the contractor in an amount as determined by the Purchasing Agent and the City Manager.
- 44. It is understood and agreed that it shall be a material breach of any contract resulting from this bid for the Contractor to engage in any practice which shall violate any provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 151B, relative to discrimination in hiring, discharge, compensation, or terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, age or ancestry.
- 45. The undersigned as bidder, declares that the only parties interested in this proposal as principals are named herein; that this proposal is made without collusion with any other person, firm or corporation, that no officer or agent of the City is directly or indirectly interested in this bid; and he/she proposes and agrees that if this proposal is accepted he/she will contract with the City in accordance with the specifications, also the terms and conditions as spelled out in this bid form.
- 46. No Person, including but not limited to corporations, partnerships, limited partnerships or limited liability corporations, shall be eligible to receive a contract under this invitation to bid and/or requires for proposal if that person has been convicted of any felony offense involving the distribution of controlled substances as that term is defined under Chapter 94C of the General Laws and, for contracts to be performed for on-site services to the Worcester Public Schools, if that person or any person to be employed by that person in the performance of such on-site services has been convicted of a "sex offense" or a "sex offense involving a child" or a "sexually violent offense" or would meet the definition of "sexually violent predator" as those terms are defined in Section 178C of the General Laws and who must register with the sex offender registry board.

- 47. The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among his employees and shall not employ for work or services relating to this contract any unfit person or anyone not skilled in the task assigned to him. In light of the fact that the performance of this contract requires the Contractor and its employees to have significant interaction with the public, the Contractor shall require all employees who may perform services under this contract to conduct themselves in a courteous, professional manner. If the Contractor is notified by the Contract Officer that any person engaged upon the work is incompetent, unfaithful, disorderly, discourteous, or otherwise unsatisfactory, then such person shall be discharged from providing services or work pursuant to this contract. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, intimidation, threats and/or violent conduct of any kind or nature directed to members of the public are absolutely prohibited. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be grounds for termination of the contract.
- 48. The Contractor's performance may be evaluated on an ongoing basis including but not limited to consideration of complaints received from members of the public. In order to facilitate this evaluation, the Contractor shall provide the City with documents and records upon request. The Contractor shall further obtain from its employees authorization that appropriate City personnel may obtain all available criminal offender information ("CORI") from the Criminal History Systems Board. A high number of unresolved complaints, any number of complaints that are particularly severe, or employment of individuals who have been convicted or assault or other violent crimes shall be grounds for the early termination or non-renewal of the contract by the City.
- 49. The procurement officer shall award the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. The term "responsible bidder" means "a person who has the capability to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which assures good faith performance." Consistent with its duty to maintain public order and promote public safety, the City has determined that this contract is of a type and nature so as to be particularly sensitive due, at least in part, to the contractor's inherent access and dealings with the members of the general public. Therefore, the City has concluded that additional scrutiny is justified as it determines whether a particular bidder is responsible, having the integrity and reliability to properly perform the requested services. This may entail consideration of the contractor's system of oversight, training and supervision of its employees, including but not limited to its requirement of a high standard of customer service and courtesy in its dealings with the public. The bidder's care and diligence in hiring and assigning its employees will also be considered. In making its determination, the City reserves the right to examine any and all information at its disposal, including but not limited to prior City contracts, the experiences and information obtained from current and former customers (whether identified by the bidder as references or not), as well as other sources available to the City, including but not limited to court documents, newspapers, financial reports (such as DUNS), and certain police data and reports.
- 50. The Contractor, acting through its owner(s) or any of its employees, or its agents or sub-contractors and any of their employees, shall not engage in any behavior, whether during the course of its duties under this contract or at any other time, that is illegal, criminal or otherwise shocking or offensive to the general public. The determination whether any particular behavior is illegal, criminal or shocking to the general public shall rest in the sound judgment of the Contracting Officer or the City Manager. In making such determination, the Contracting Officer or the City Manager shall apply the general standards of the community. No criminal conviction or formal charges shall be required to make such determination. Such behavior need be something more than trivial and something which would cause the general public to have concerns either about the safety of individuals coming in contact with the Contractor or about the character and integrity of the individuals with which the City does business. Violation of this provision shall be grounds for immediate and unilateral termination of this contract by the City upon five days' notice as otherwise provided herein.

GIVE FULL NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOREGOING PROPOSAL.

Name	Address	Zip Code
DLY FURNISH THE FO	DLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING BIDDER:	
If a Proprietorship		
Name of Owner		
Business Address		
Zip Code	Telephone No	
Home Address		
Zip Code	Telephone No	
If a Partnership Full names and address	ses of all partners	
<u>Name</u>	Address	Zip Code
Business Address		ip Code

(3)	If a Corporation				
	Full Legal Name				
	State of Incorporation	Qualified in Massachusetts ?		Yes	No
	Principal Place of Business				
	•	Street		P.O. Box	
		City/Town	State	Zip	
	Teleph	one No			
	Place of Business in Massachusetts				
		Street		P.O. Box	
		City/Town	State	Zip	
		Telephone No			
GIVE	THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION	REGARDING SURE	ETY COMPANY		
	Full Legal Name of Surety Compan		_		
	State of Incorporation	_ Admitted in Massac	chusetts? Yes	S	No
	Principal Place of Business				
	-	Street		P.O. Box	
		City/Town	State	Zip	
	Place of Business in Massachusetts				
		Street		P.O. Box	
		City/Town	State	Zip	
		Telephone No)		

The Office of the Attorney General, Washington, D.C. requires the following information on all bid proposals amounting to \$1,000.00 or more. F.I.D. Number of bidder _____ This number is regularly used by companies when filing their "EMPLOYER'S FEDERAL TAX RETURN, U.S." Treasury Department Form 941. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE OF BIDDER _____ PLEASE SIGN DATE ______ BID SECURITY \$_____ The name of Customer Service Representative and the Contract Administrator responsible for servicing this account in the event of contract award are: NAME (PLEASE PRINT) Customer Service Rep. TEL. NO. TEL. NO. NAME (PLEASE PRINT) Contract Administrator FAX # **FAX NUMBER** E-MAIL (Customer Service Rep.): **E-MAIL** (Contract Administrator): UNDER MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 30B: SECTION 10. THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION MUST BE PROVIDED: Section 10. A person submitting a bid or a proposal for the procurement or disposal of supplies, or services to any governmental body shall certify in writing, on the bid or proposal, as follows: "The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club, or other organization, entity, or group of individuals." (Please Print) Name of Person Signing Bid Signature of Person Signing Bid Company No award will be made without vendor certification of the above.

NOTE

		identify the product offered, such as manufacturer's name KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN OFFERED.	, trade na	ame, brand	name and	l quality next to
	ntities shown he period of the	nerein are estimated only and the Contractor will be require e contract.	ed to furn	ish all quai	ntities ord	lered by the City
YES 2	X NO	<u> </u>				
Delivery	to be made to	: _As required by the City of Worcester				
This Bid	l includes adde	enda numbered				
N	O PRICE AD	JUSTMENTS ALLOWED. PRICES QUOTED ARE I	FINAL.	СНЕСК В	EFORE :	SIGNING!
			BIDDEF	R TO COM	IPLETE	ITEMS BELOV
Item No.	Estimated Quantity	Description	Mfg.	Model No.	Unit Price	Total Amount
		Furnish all labor, materials and equipment necessary and proper for public sidewalk snow removal services (ordinance enforced) as per attached requirements and specifications of the City of Worcester Please go to www.worcesterma.gov to obtain bid results following bid due date. Insurance Certificates are requested to be included with your bid. Failure to include insurance certificates may result in rejection of your bid. Cell Phone Numbers To Be Entered on Page 8.				See Pricing / Specification Pages
DELIVI NOTIFI				S FROM I	OATE OI	र

DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACT RENEWAL

This contract may be renewed for a second and third year at the sole discretion of the City of Worcester, the option of which will be determined at the end of the current contract year.

In no event will increase exceed % for the (TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER)	e third contract year.			
Name	Date			
Title	-			
IF VENDOR DOES NOT WISH TO BE CONSII INDICATE BY CHECKING THIS BOX:	DERED FOR A THIRD YEAR OPTION, PLEASE			
IMPORTANT It is understood and agreed, that failure by the bidder to complete the above increase statement, it is the bidders intent to accept a third year option at zero (0) percent increase.				
All other Terms and Conditions to remain the same.				

SPECIFCATIONS –SNOW REMOVAL AND/OR TREATMENT SERVICES ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF WORCESTER (ORDINANCE-ENFORCED) BID # CR-8302-M5

The City of Worcester is soliciting bids for snow removal from and/or treatment of public sidewalks <u>that abut properties</u> where the owner or occupant has failed to conform to the City ordinance regarding post-storm snow removal.

Background:

The current City ordinance clearly states that owners or occupants of a property bordering any public street on which there is a public sidewalk are required to remove the snow to a width of at least four (4) feet within ten (10) hours after it stops snowing.

The successful bidder must meet all the specifications for sidewalk snow removal and/or treatment listed below:

- 1. As per the boilerplate language, the contractor must provide evidence of the existence of a current certificate of liability insurance in the appropriate amount in case of damage to properties assigned.
- 2. Provide the City with a telephone number that is manned between the hours of 7 AM and 5 PM Monday through Friday and an accompanying FAX number for the transmission of property addresses where the sidewalk requires snow removal and/or treatment. All such notifications by the City to the contractor will be done, in writing, via FAX and/or Email.
- 3. Treatment, for the purposes of this contract, will be defined as the spreading of dry, coarse sand. Treatment will only be applied to public sidewalks upon specific direction from the City.
- 4. Provide the equipment/supplies for clearing the snow and/or treating the public sidewalk. Snow shall not be placed in the street or onto private sidewalks or driveways.
- 5. Respond to each request to remove snow from and/or treat a public sidewalk as follows:

Up to 12" of precipitation: within 10 hours

12" to 24" of precipitation: within 12 hours

24" or more of precipitation: within 16 hours

This will be followed by a FAX/EMAIL from the contractor to the City confirming the completion of snow removal and/or treatment at each property address assigned and shall include the linear footage of the public sidewalk that was cleared and/or treated.

Responding to requests for service within the required timeframe is of the utmost importance. Bidders must be prepared to provide service as required by this contract.

- 6. Contract must have the appropriate equipment to measure the linear footage of the property from which snow is removed and/or treatment is applied. Compensation for sidewalk snow removal will be per linear foot (LF) per range of snow depth as defined in the bid items. For this purpose, the official snow depth for a given storm will be that as recorded by the National Weather Service at Worcester Airport. This datum will available from DPW&P's Street Division after the storm has ended. Upon receipt of the FAX/EMAIL detailed in Item 5 above, the City will inspect the location and confirm the linear footage reported and the performance of the contractor.
- 7. For each property address that the City assigns for public sidewalk snow removal and/or treatment, the contractor will provide an individual invoice to the City, detailing the specific property address, the linear footage, the official snow depth as defined in Item 5 above and the removal and/or treatment cost per linear foot (LF) and the total payment due. The invoice must be submitted to the Worcester Police Department, c/o Paid Detail Office, 9-11 Lincoln Square, Worcester, MA 01608 within seven (7) days after the sidewalk has been cleared and/or treated.

8.	For instances/locations where City road crews have blocked crosswalks with large piles of snow, vendor may invoice a flat fee for use of large equipment needed to remove said snow from blocking crosswalks. Fee shall include all costs associated with mobilizing and demobilizing from location. Bidder shall—include a separate price below for this charge which may be used during the course of the contract at the City's discretion. Approval by City staff is required prior to using large equipment. See item 8 on the pricing page.

BID PRICING PAGE - CR-8302-M5

PUBLIC SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL / TREATMENT SERVICES (ORDINANCE-ENFORCED)

Bids must be submitted for all items below, expressed in terms of dollars and cents, per linear foot (LF), for a width of at least four (4) feet:

Item 1.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 0 – 3.0 inches	\$ /LF
Item 2.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 3.1 – 6.0 inches	\$ /LF
Item 3.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 6.1 – 9.0 inches	\$ /LF
Item 4.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 9.1 – 12.0 inches	\$ /LF
Item 5.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 12.1 – 18.0 inches	\$ /LF
Item 6.	Clearing of snow from a public sidewalk with a snow depth of 18.1 inches or greater	\$ /LF
Item 7.	Treatment of a public sidewalk	\$ /LF
Item 8.	Large Equipment Fee per location	\$ / EACH

For bid analysis purposes, determination of low bidder(s) to be based upon average of items 1-7 above.

Multiple awards may be made by the City with a maximum of two vendors selected, a primary and a secondary.

Should primary not be available or unable to complete tasks on schedule, secondary may be used at the City's discretion. Continued inability to complete tasks on schedule may be grounds for removal from further consideration.

Bidders should understand that if they arrive at a location to which they have been dispatched and find that the public sidewalk has already been cleared and/or treated, THEY WILL NOT BE DUE ANY PAYMENT FROM THE CITY.