

INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 435 Ryman Street, Missoula, MT 59802-4297 until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 5th, 2020 and will be opened and publicly read in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall at that time. As soon thereafter as is possible, a contract will be made for the following:

Purchase of one (1) ADA Accessible Bus.

Bidders shall bid by City bid proposal forms, addressed to the City Clerk's Office, City of Missoula, enclosed in separate, sealed envelopes marked plainly on the outside, "Bid for One (1) ADA Accessible Bus, Closing at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 5th, 2020".

Pursuant to Section 18-1-102 Montana Code Annotated, the City is required to provide purchasing preferences to resident Montana vendors and/or for products made in Montana equal to the preference provided in the state of the competitor.

Each and every bid must be accompanied by cash, a certified check, bid bond, cashier's check, bank money order, or bank draft payable to the City Treasurer, Missoula, Montana; and drawn and issued by a national banking association located in the State of Montana or by any banking corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Montana for an amount which shall not be less than ten percent (10%) of the bid, as a good faith deposit. The bid security shall identify the same firm as is noted on the bid proposal forms.

No bid will be considered which includes Federal excise tax, since the City is exempt there from and will furnish to the successful bidder certificates of exemption.

The City reserves the right to determine the significance of all exceptions to bid specifications. Products or services that do not meet bid specifications must be clearly marked as an exception to the specifications. Vendors requesting inclusion or pre-approved alternatives to any of these bid specifications must receive written authorization from the Fleet Maintenance Manager a minimum of five (5) working days prior to the bid closing.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids; and if all bids are rejected, to re-advertise under the same or new specifications, or to make such an award as in the judgment of its officials best meets the City's requirements. The City reserves the right to waive any technicality in the bidding, which is not of substantial nature.

Any objections to published specifications must be filed in written form with the City Clerk prior to the bid opening at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 5th, 2020. Bidders may obtain further information and specifications from the City Fleet Maintenance Division at (406) 552-6387. Bid announcements, bidding documents, and bid results are posted on the City's website at www.ci.missoula.mt.us/bids.

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City Clerk

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