

Bid Number 50-00144690

Three (3) Year Contract to Provide Serials Periodicals for the Jefferson Parish Library Department

BID DUE: April 23, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.

ATTENTION VENDORS!!!

Please review all pages and respond accordingly, complying with all provisions in the technical specifications and Jefferson Parish Instructions for Bidders and General Terms and Conditions. All bids must be received on the Purchasing Department's eProcurement site, www.jeffparishbids.net, by the bid due date and time. Late bids will not be accepted.

> Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department 200 Derbigny Street General Government Building, Suite 4400 Gretna, LA 70053 Buyer Name: Doris Abraham Buyer Email: <u>DABRAHAM@jeffparish.net</u> Buyer Phone: 504-364-2690

THREE-YEARCONTRACTFORASERIALSVENDOR(SUBSCRIPTIONAGENCY)FORAPUBLICLIBRARY,INCLUDING A DIGITAL NEWSSTANDSERVICE.

NOTE: A subscription vendor consolidates orders for magazines, journals, newspapers, and other serial publications, allowing a library to order its subscriptions from a single source, receive a single invoice for those subscriptions, and benefit from a single source of customer service, rather than maintaining hundreds of publisher contacts. Vendors provide collective reporting, historical account records, and tracking of subscriptions on order.

SPECIFICATIONS

SERIALS SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE

The library requires a serials subscription service to supply approximately 1,800 public library oriented serial subscriptions. The subscriptions should be mainly in print, with an occasional electronic title and shall include approximately 350 unique titles; the remaining titles shall be duplicate subscriptions for branch libraries.

The bidder must be able to supply general, popular, and uncommon public library magazine and newspaper subscriptions, as well as technical, scholarly, and reference serial subscriptions, from major and independent publishers.

The bidder must maintain an interactive website with a comprehensive database of serial titles to provide for electronic ordering, claiming, renewing, title research, invoicing, and collection development by the library. The website must include an interactive database of all of the library's subscriptions, dates of library's subscriptions, and links to relevant invoices that the library can customize and export in a variety of formats as needed.

The bidder's website must include customizable reports that the library can retrieve at any time, in a variety of formats; including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. Current subscriptions by title and by library branch.
- 2. Serials changes.
- 3. Claims submitted.
- 4. Responses and dispositions.
- 5. Collection assessment.
- 6. Membership titles.

A dedicated representative must be assigned to the library and must be readily accessible via e-mail and phone, with a back-up plan in place so that when a representative is out, queries are handled in a timely manner.

DIGITAL NEWSTAND SERVICE

The library requires a digital newsstand service that will host a website and apps for the library and provide digital periodicals that the library can subscribe to and add to the website for patrons to check out and download.

Available titles must include popular public library oriented periodicals from top publishers. Digital periodicals must be full-color, digitized versions of popular print periodicals in their entirety. The digital versions must include all articles and ads that appear in print versions as well as popular digital periodicals titles that are not available in print.

A. COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

- 1. The annual order will be for approximately 1,800 serial subscriptions, to include approximately 350 unique titles, the remainder being duplicate subscriptions for branch libraries. Currently the library is comprised of 16 locations including 2 regional branches with two new locations to be opened (Avondale Library and Jefferson Highway).
- 2. The library's serials collection is comprised of approximately 90% general public library magazine and newspaper subscriptions, and 10% technical, scholarly or reference serial subscriptions.
- 3. The library's current digital magazine collections include approximately 285 digital magazines. The annual order for this bid will be for approximately 150 to 200 digital magazines, with at least 97% general, popular, public library-type magazine titles.

The service complements the library's other digital periodicals service by offering a different selection of magazines and an alternative user interface to help the library meet a wide range of patron need and requirements. The service may offer at least one of the largest magazine publishers that is not available via other public library digital magazine services.

B. AWARD TIME PERIOD & COVERAGE

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- 1. The award will cover subscriptions to be renewed and new titles to be added on an as-needed basis during the duration of the contract.
- 2. New subscriptions may include additional copies of titles already received or subscriptions to titles that are new to the library.
- 3. The three-year contract will take effect on July 13, 2024, or upon acceptance by the Jefferson Parish Council, and end three years later.
- 4. Payment will be on a 12-month (year by year) basis with the library making one annual payment. New subscriptions added during the year will be paid for as ordered.
- 5. Award condition: all or none. The bidder must be able to provide print and digital subscriptions.

C. COST

- 1. The discount percent and service fee percent will be binding as quoted and will become part of the final contract.
- 2. The bid shall be awarded on the basis of discount amount. The discount must be given on the entire order rather than on a title by title basis, regardless of the contents of the order.
- 3. The discount must be given on all types and formats of serials including but not limited to newspapers, organizational memberships that are required to subscribe to a serial, specific publishers, reference works, scholarly journals, and titles with costs over a certain dollar amount.
- 4. The discount shall be applied to any individual quotations requested during the life of the contract. The discount shall apply to any titles that may be ordered during the life of the contract.
- 5. Any handling/service charges must be included on a percent basis of the order. Handling/service charges shall be separate line items on all invoices to which they apply.
- 6. All postage and transportation charges must be included in the invoiced price.

D. SUBSCRIPTION ORDER & RENEWAL SERVICES

- 1. Bidder must maintain an interactive website to provide for electronic ordering, claiming, renewing, title research, invoicing, and collection development.
- 2. Bidder must maintain a database of serial titles via their website.
- 3. Bidder's website must include a comprehensive database of all of the library's subscriptions that the library can customize and export in a variety of formats.
- 4. A Serial Title record in bidder's database must include:
 - An interactive list of all of the library's subscriptions to a particular title, dates of library's subscriptions, and links to relevant invoices.
 - Title Status, such as active, publication resumed, publication delayed, suspended or ceased, all including dates when changes took place.
 - Name changes with links to appropriate record in the title database.
 - Publisher only accepts direct orders.
 - ISSN.
 - Link to publisher's website.
 - Link to list of issues and dates available.
 - Links to claims for the title.
- 5. Bidder must notify library, in a timely manner, when invoices are available online.
- 6. Bidder must provide a toll-free phone number and email directly to website tech support.
- 7. Bidder must provide complimentary training and online help via bidder's website.
- 8. Bidder's website must include customizable reports including, but not limited to, current subscriptions by title and by library branch, serials

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changes, claims submitted, responses and dispositions, collection assessment and membership titles that the library can retrieve at any time in a variety of formats.

- 9. Bidder must submit address changes and service stops, starts and restarts in a timely manner, for new and reopening libraries. Bidder must provide proof that address changes have taken place.
- 10. Bidder's website must include claims records that are retrievable by title and by library branch.
- 11. To ensure that service is not interrupted, subscriptions shall be placed so that renewals start in the months following the current expiration dates.
- 12. Bidder will, according to publisher compliance, arrange for common expiration dates for all titles ordered if requested by the library.
- 13. Bidder must clear all orders direct with publishers, not through other agents, middlemen, etc. There shall be no sub-contracting of orders or claims.
- 14. Bidder must be able to provide subscriptions to any serial that is available from any other subscription agency.
- 15. As evidence of the comprehensiveness of their title file, bidder must provide access to their website.
- 16. Bidder must provide assistance in locating missing issues when regular claiming does not yield copies needed.
- 17. Bidder must maintain an online complimentary issue replacement service with an inventory of issues from the past year for at least 2,000 popular serial titles that includes inventory data and allows for electronic ordering.
- 18. Via email and website, bidder must furnish itemized invoices arranged by library branch which include the following:
 - Invoice number;
 - Title of each serial;
 - Cost of each serial;
 - ISSN;
 - Start date;
 - Frequency of publication;

- Subscription term;
- Number of copies of each title;
- Handle/service charge, if any;
- Total cost for each library branch;
- Total cost of invoice;
- Total cost of entire order;
- Months of publication, when available;
- Costs before and after discount is applied for each library and entire order
- 20. Invoices must also be accessible electronically via bidder's website and exportable in various formats and include the data listed above.
- 21. Bidder must be willing to accept orders of any size at any time, without adding an additional processing fee above the handling/service charges set out in the bid.
- 22. Bidder must be willing to accept cancellations at any time during the term of the subscription and try to obtain refunds.
- 23. All serials listed on each order must be delivered unless the publication has ceased, been suspended or the item is obtainable only from the publisher. In each instance, the bidder will indicate the reason for omitting the item.
- 24. Bidder must notify the library of any changes concerning the periodical titles the bidder handles. This information should include the following:
 - Discontinued, ceased and suspended titles;
 - Titles that must be ordered directly from the publisher;
 - Title mergers or splits;
 - Name changes;
 - Frequency of publication changes;
 - Titles delayed or behind in publication;
 - Titles that have resumed publication; and
 - New titles.
- 25. When there is a title change, bidder must not make library responsible for adding the new titles and cancelling previous titles on their renewal lists.
- 26. Bidder must provide notification when a publisher has a time limit for acceptance of claims.

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- 27. Five to six months prior to annual renewal time, bidder must provide, via their website, interactive Renewal Lists detailing all titles previously ordered, indicating current status, including but not limited to active, direct only, ceased, name change, current prices, renewal dates, to be used for renewal order processing. Bidder must provide a Renewal List for each library branch.
- 28. Bidder must assign one individual to be responsible for the library's account. This individual must have the authority to act on the library's behalf with publishers as necessary. This dedicated representative must be assigned to the library and must be readily accessible via phone, email or messaging via vendor's website, with a back-up plan in place so that when a representative is out, queries are handled in a timely manner.
- 29. Bidder must provide proof of payment. The invoice must be certification that publishers have been paid by the agent.

E. DIGITAL NEWSTAND SERVICE

Jefferson Parish Library requires a digital newsstand service that will host a website and apps for the library and provide digital magazines that the library can subscribe to and add to the website for patrons to check out and download.

THE SERVICE MUST PROVIDE OR ALLOW FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- A website and apps for browsing, checking out, downloading, and reading digital magazines online or offline, accessible via a single, personal, user account
- Full color, digitized versions of popular print magazines, in entirety, cover to cover, including all articles and ads that appear in print versions, as well as popular digital magazine titles that are not available in print.
- The website must be accessible for browsing, checking out, and downloading magazines 24/7, at all of the library's locations, and remotely, wherever internet access is available.
- The entire service, including the library's subscription content, must be on a server hosted by the vendor.
- A library patron must be able to access their personal account, including checked out items, on more than one computer or portable device

- Inventory must include popular, public library oriented magazines, from top publishers, including, but not limited to, Time, Conde Nast, Meredith, and Hearst.
- The bidder must continuously add new titles and new publishers to its catalog of available content.
- Must include easy to download free apps that will allow for reading magazines offline on many different computers and devices.
- Compatible with PCs and Macs and a wide range of portable devices including but not limited to iPad, iPhone, Android, Nook HD, Kindle Fire, and Windows devices.
- Support by email or telephone and online instructions.
- Easily available usage reports and marketing materials.
- The library must be able to trial the product prior to accepting the bid.
- The bidder must maintain an interactive website with a comprehensive database of available digital titles to provide for electronic ordering, claiming, renewing, title research, invoicing, and collection development by the library. The website must include an interactive database of all of the library's subscriptions, dates of library's subscriptions, and links to relevant invoices that the library can customize and export in a variety of formats as needed.
- The bidder's website must include customizable reports that the library can retrieve at any time, in a variety of formats, including, but not limited to current subscriptions, title changes, claims, checkouts, views, and downloads.

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JEFFERSON PARISH

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT P.O. BOX 9 GRETNA, LA. 70054-0009 504-364-2678

PURCHASING SPECIALIST: DABRAHAM@jeffparish.net

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED ONLINE VIA WWW.JEFFPARISHBIDS.NET UNTIL 2:00 PM, 4/23/2024 AND PUBLICLY OPENED THEREAFTER IN THE WEST BANK PURCHASING DEPT, SUITE 4400, JEFFERSON PARISH GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING, 200 DERBIGNY STREET, GRETNA, LA 70053. At no charge, bidders are to submit via Jefferson Parish's electronic procurement page by visiting www.jeffparishbids.net to register for this free site. Additional instructions are included in the text box highlighting electronic procurement.

LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

NOTE: ONLY BIDS WRITTEN IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN, AND PROPERLY SIGNED BY A MEMBER OF THE FIRM OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, WILL BE ACCEPTED. PENCIL AND/OR PHOTOSTATIC FIGURES OR SIGNATURES SHALL RESULT IN BID REJECTION. HOWEVER, ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AS DEFINED IN LSA - R.S. 9:2620(8) ARE ACCEPTABLE. SIGNATURE MUST BE A SECURED DIGITAL SIGNATURE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY TO ALL BIDS

All bids submitted are subject to these instructions and general conditions and any special conditions and specifications contained herein, all of which are made part of this bid proposal reference. By submitting a bid, vendor agrees to comply with all provisions of Louisiana Law as well be in compliance with the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Louisiana Code of Ethics, applicable Jefferson Parish ethical standards and Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 136353 and/or Resolution No. 141125 as amended.

Jefferson Parish adheres to the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, R.S. 42:1101, et seq. Vendor/Proposer by this submission, warrants that there are no "conflicts of interest" related to this procurement that would violate applicable Louisiana Law. Violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics may result in rescission of contract, permit or licenses, and the imposition of fines and/or penalties, without contractual liability to the public in accordance with applicable law.

All vendors submitting bids should register as a Jefferson Parish vendor if not already yet registered. Registration forms may be downloaded from http://purchasing.jeffparish.net and by clicking on Vendor Information. Current W-9 forms with respective Tax Identification numbers and vendor applications may be submitted at any time; however, if your company is not registered and/or a current W-9 form is not on file, vendor registration is mandatory. Vendors may experience a delay in payment if your company is not a registered vendor with Jefferson Parish.

All quotations shall be based on F.O.B. Agency warehouse or job site, anywhere within the Parish as designated by the Purchasing Department. This provision does not apply to public works projects

JEFFERSON PARISH requires all products to be new (current) and all work must be performed according to standard practices for the project. Unless otherwise specified, no aftermarket parts will be accepted. Unless otherwise specified, all workmanship and materials must have at least one (1) year guaranty, in writing, from the date of delivery and/or acceptance of the project. Any deviations or alterations from the specifications must be indicated and/or supporting documentation supplied with bid submission.

Bidders should submit all questions in writing via email to the Purchasing Specialist's email address as indicated above, no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening. Bid numbers should be mentioned in all requests. If submitting online, vendors may send questions via the E-Procurement site no later than Five (5) working days prior to the bid opening.

If this bid requires a pre-bid conference (see Additional Requirements section), bidders are advised that such conference will be held to allow bidders the opportunity to identify any discrepancies in the bid specifications and seek further clarification regarding instructions. The Purchasing Department will issue a written response to bidders' questions in the form of an Addendum. Please note that all official communication will be expressed in the form of an addendum.

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All formal Addenda require written acknowledgement on the bid form by the bidder. Failure to acknowledge any Addendum on the bid form shall cause the bid to be rejected. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award bid to next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

JEFFERSON PARISH will accept one price for each item unless otherwise indicated. Two or more prices for one item will result in bid rejection. Bidders are required to complete, sign and return the bid form and/or complete and return the associated line item pricing forms as indicated. Vendors must not alter the bid forms. Doing so will cause the bid to be rejected.

A corporate resolution or written evidence of the individual signing the bid having such authority must be submitted with the bid. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. For corporate entities, such written evidence may be a printout of the Louisiana Secretary of State's website listing the signatory as an officer. Such printout shall be included with the bid submission. Bids submitted by Owners or Sole Proprietorships must include certification that he or she owns the entity for which the bid is signed. This documentation must be submitted with the bid. Failure to do so will result in bid rejection.

NOTE: A sample corporate resolution can be downloaded from our website http://purchasing.jeffparish.net or you may provide your own document. A sample certification of sole proprietorship can also be downloaded from our website http://purchasing.jeffparish.net or you may provide your own document.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

A. AWARD OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to award contracts or place orders on a lump sum or individual item basis, or such combination, as shall in its judgment be in the best interest of JEFFERSON PARISH. Every contract or order shall be awarded to the LOWEST RESPONSIVE and RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, taking into consideration the CONFORMITY WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS and the DELIVERY AND/OR COMPLETION DATE. SPLIT AWARDS MADE TO SEVERAL VENDORS WILL ONLY BE GRANTED TO THOSE DEEMED RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE.

All bid prices shall remain valid for 45 days. Jefferson Parish and the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) by mutual written consent may mutually agree to extend the deadline for award by one (1) or more extensions of thirty (30) calendar days.

PROTESTS: Only those vendors that submit bids in response to this solicitation may protest any element of the procurement, in writing to the Director of the Purchasing Department. Written protest must be received within 48 hours of the release of the bid tabulation by the Purchasing Department. After consultation, the Parish Attorney's Office will then respond to protests in writing. (For more information, please see Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 2, Sec. 2-914.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances.)

PREFERENCE: Unless federal funding is directly spent by Jefferson Parish for this purchase, preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, and provisions produced, manufactured or grown in Louisiana, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside the state. "LSA – R.S. 38:2251-2261"

B. USE OF BRAND NAMES AND STOCK NUMBERS: Where brand names and stock numbers are specified, it is for the purpose of establishing certain minimum standards of quality. Bids may be submitted for products of equal quality, provided brand names and stock numbers are specified. Complete product data may be required prior to award.

C. CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT: JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel all or any part if not shipped promptly. No charges will be allowed for parking or cartage unless specified in quotation. The order must not be filled at a higher price than quoted. JEFFERSON PARISH reserves the right to cancel any contract at anytime and for any reason by issuing a THIRTY (30) day written notice to the contractor.

For good cause and as consideration for executing a contract with Jefferson Parish, vendor conveys, sells, assigns and transfers to Jefferson Parish or its assigns 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 Louisiana, relating to the particular good or services purchased or acquired by Jefferson Parish.

D. PRICES: Jefferson Parish is exempt from paying sales tax under LSA-R.S. 47:301 (8)(c). All prices for purchases by Jefferson Parish of supplies and materials shall be quoted in the unit of measure specified and unless otherwise specified, shall be exclusive of state and local taxes. The price quoted for work shall be stated in figures. In the event there is a difference in unit prices and totals, the unit price shall prevail.

Quantities listed are for bidding purposes only. Actual requirements may be more or less than quantities listed.

Bidders are not to exclude from participation in, deny the benefits of, or subject to discrimination under any program or activity, any person in the United States on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex; nor discriminate on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, or with respect to an otherwise qualified handicapped individual as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or on the basis of religion, except that any exemption from such prohibition against discrimination on the basis of religion as provided in the Civil Rights Act of 1964, or Title VI and VII of the Act of April 11, 1968, shall also apply. This assurance includes compliance with the administrative requirements of the Revenue Sharing final handicapped discrimination provisions contained in Section 51.55 (c), (d), (e), and (k)(5) of the Regulations. New construction or renovation projects must comply with Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, as amended, in accordance with the American National Standard Institute's specifications (ANSI A17.1-1961).

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Jefferson Parish and its partners as the recipients of federal funds are fully committed to awarding a contract(s) to firm(s) that will provide high quality services and that are dedicated to diversity and to containing costs. Thus, Jefferson Parish strongly encourages the involvement of minority and/or woman-owned business enterprises (DBE's, including MBE's, WBE's and SBE's) to stimulate participation in procurement and assistance programs.

The purpose and intention of this invitation to bid is to afford all suppliers an equal opportunity to bid on all construction, maintenance, repair, operating supplies and/or equipment listed in this bid proposal. JEFFERSON PARISH WILL ACCEPT ONE BID ONLY FROM EACH VENDOR. Items bid must meet specifications.

Advertised bids will be tabulated and a copy of the tabulation will be forwarded to each responding bidder.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE REGULATIONS JEFFERSON PARISH OFFERS ELECTRONIC PROCUREMENT TO ALL VENDORS

This electronic procurement system allows vendors the convenience of reviewing and submitting bids online. This is a secure site and authorized personnel have limited read access only. Bidders are to submit electronically using this free service; while the website accepts various file types, one single PDF file containing all appropriate and required bid documents is preferred. Bidders submitting uploaded images of bid responses are solely responsible for clarity. If uploaded images/documents are not legible, then bidder's submission will be rejected. Please note all requirements contained in this bid package for electronic bid submission.

Please visit our E-Procurement Page at www.jeffparishbids.net to register and view Jefferson Parish solicitations. For more information, please visit the Purchasing Department page at http://purchasing.jeffparish.net.

The general specifications for construction projects and the purchase of materials, services and/or supplies are those adopted by the JEFFERSON PARISH Council by Resolution No. 136353 or 141125 as amended. The general conditions adopted by this resolution shall be considered as much a part of this document as if they were written wholly herein. A copy may be obtained from the Office of the Parish Clerk, Suite 6700, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053. You may also obtain a copy by visiting the Purchasing Department webpage at http://purchasing.jeffparish.net and clicking on Online Forms.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS BID

PLEASE MATCH THE NUMBERS PRINTED IN THIS BOX WITH THE CORRESPONDING INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

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- All bidders must attend the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and will be required to sign in and out as evidence of attendance. In accordance with LSA R.S. 38:2212(I), all prospective bidders shall be present at the beginning of the MANDATORY pre-bid conference and shall remain in attendance for the duration of the conference. Any prospective bidder who fails to attend the conference or remain for the duration shall be prohibited from submitting a bid for the project.
- 2. Attendance to this pre-bid conference is optional. However, failure to attend the pre-bid conference shall not relieve the bidder of responsibility for information discussed at the conference. Furthermore, failure to attend the pre-bid conference and inspection does not relieve the successful bidder from the necessity of furnishing materials or performing any work that may be required to complete the work in accordance with the specification with no additional cost to the owner.
- 3. Contractor must hold current applicable JEFFERSON PARISH licenses with the Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. Contractor shall obtain any and all permits required by the JEFFERSON PARISH Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement. The contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits. All permits must be obtained prior to the start of the project. Contractor must also hold any and all applicable Federal and State licenses. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of these permits and shall obtain them prior to the start of the project.

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- 4. A LA State Contractor's License will be required in accordance with LSA R.S. 37-2150 et. seq. and such license number will be shown on the outside of the bid electronic envelope. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected. When submitting the bid electronically, the license number must be entered in the appropriate field in the electronic procurement system. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected.
- 5. It is the bidder's responsibility to visit the job site and evaluate the job before submitting a bid.
- 6. Job site must be clean and free of all litter and debris daily and upon completion of the contract. Passageways must be kept clean and free of material, equipment, and debris at all times. Flammable material must be removed from the job site daily because storage will not be permitted on the premises. Precaution must be exercised at all times to safeguard the welfare of JEFFERSON PARISH and the general public.
- 7. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: All awards for public works in excess of \$5,000.00 will be reduced to a formal contract which shall be recorded at the contractor's expense with the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. A price list of recordation costs may be obtained from the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages for the Parish of Jefferson. All awards in excess of \$25,000.00 will require both a performance and a payment bond. Unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications, the performance bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Unless otherwise state in the bid specifications, the payment bond requirements shall be 100% of the contract price. Both bonds shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
- 8. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A performance bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The performance bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
- 9. NON-PUBLIC WORKS BIDS: A payment bond will be required for this bid. The amount of the bond will be 100% of the contract price unless otherwise indicated in the specifications. The payment bond shall be supplied at the signing of the contract.
- 10. All bidders must comply with the requirements stated in the attached "Standard Insurance Requirements" sheet attached to this bid solicitation. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in bid rejection.
- 11. A bid bond will be required with bid submission in the amount of 5% of the total bid, unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications. All sureties must be in original format (no copies) When submitting a bid online, vendors must submit an electronic bid bond through the respective online clearinghouse bond management system(s) as indicated in the electronic bid solicitation on Central Auction House. No scanned paper copies of any bid bond will be accepted as part of the electronic bid submission.
- 12. This is a requirements contract to be provided on an as needed basis. JEFFERSON PARISH makes no representations on warranties with regard to minimum guaranteed quantities unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications.
- 13. Freight charges should be included in total cost when quoting. If not quoted FOB DELIVERED, freight must be quoted as a separate item. Bid may be rejected if not quoted FOB DELIVERED or if freight charges are not indicated on bid form.
- 14. PUBLIC WORKS BIDS Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required; This applies to all solicitations for construction, alteration or demolition of public buildings or projects, in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA-RS 38:2212.9, LSA-RS 38:2212.10, LSA-RS 38:2224, and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Conviction Affidavit, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Campaign Contribution Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and E-Verify Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

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15. NON PUBLIC WORK BIDS - Completed, Signed and Properly Notarized Affidavits Required in conformity with the provisions contained in LSA – RS 38:2224 and Sec 2-923.1 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances. For bidding purposes, all bidders must submit with bid submission COMPLETED, SIGNED and PROPERLY NOTARIZED Affidavits, including: Non-Collusion Affidavit, Debt Disclosures Affidavit and Campaign Contribution Affidavit. For the convenience of vendors, all affidavits have been combined into one form entitled NON PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. This affidavit must be submitted in its original format, and without material alteration, in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid, however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

16. The ensuing contract for this bid solicitation may be eligible for FEMA reimbursement and/or Federal funding/reimbursement. As such, the referenced appendix will be applicable accordingly and shall be considered a part of the bid documents. All applicable certifications must be duly completed, signed and submitted as per the appendix instructions. Failure to submit applicable certifications per the appendix instructions will result in bid rejection.

17. For this project, the Contractor shall not pay any state or local sales or use taxes on materials and equipment which are affixed and made part of the immovable property of the project or which is permanently incorporated in the project (hereinafter referred to as "applicable materials and equipment."). All purchases of applicable materials or equipment shall be made by the contractor on behalf of and as the agent of Jefferson Parish (Owner), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. No state and local sales and use taxes are owed on applicable materials and equipment under the provisions of Act 1029 of the 1991 Regular Session - Louisiana Revised Statute 47:301(8)(c). Owner will furnish to contractor a certificate form which certifies that Owner is not required to pay such state or local sales and use taxes, and contractor shall furnish a copy of such certificate to all vendors or suppliers of the applicable materials and equipment, and report to Owner the amount of taxes not incurred.

It shall be the duty of every parish officer, employee, department, agency, special district, board, and commission: and the duty of every contractor, subcontractor, and licensee of the parish, and the duty of every applicant for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation, audit, inspection, performance review, or hearing pursuant to JPCO 2-155.10(19). By signing this document, every corporation, partnership, or person contracting with PARISH, whether by cooperative endeavor, intergovernmental agreement, bid, proposal, application or solicitation for a parish contract, and every application for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, attests that it understands and will abide by all provisions of JPCO 2-155.10.

All Public Work Projects are required to use the Louisiana Uniform Public Work Bid Form

All prices must be held firm unless an escalation provision is requested in this bid. Jefferson Parish will allow one escalation during the term of the contract, which may not exceed the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics National Index for all Urban Consumers, unadjusted 12 month figure. The most recently published figure issued at the time an adjustment is requested will be used. A request must be made in writing by the vendor, and the escalation will only be applied to purchases made after the request is made.

Are you requesting an escalation provision?

| YES NO |
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MAXIMUM ESCALATION PERCENTAGE REQUESTED _____%

INITIAL BID PRICES WILL REMAIN FIRM THROUGH THE DATE OF ______.

For the purposes of comparison of bids when an escalation provision is requested, Jefferson Parish will apply the maximum escalation percentage quoted by the bidder to the period to which it is applied in the bid. The initial price and the escalation will be used to calculate the total bid price. It will be assumed, for comparison of prices only, that an equal amount of material or labor is purchased each month throughout the entire contract.

DELIVERY: FOB JEFFERSON PARISH

INDICATE DELIVERY DATE ON EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NO.: (if applicable)

THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:

| FIRM NAME: | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|---|
| ADDRESS: | | | | | |
| CITY, STATE: | ZIP: | | | | |
| TELEPHONE: () | FAX: | (| (|) | |
| EMAIL ADDRESS: | | | | | |
| In the event that addenda are issued with this bid, bidders MUST acknow acknowledge receipt of an addendum on the bid form by placing the ad any addendum on the bid form will result in bid rejection. | wledg dendi | e a um | II ad num | dend Iber a | a on the bid form.Bidder must as indicated. Failure to acknowledge |
| Acknowledge Receipt of Addenda: NUMBER: | | _ | | | |
| NUMBER: | | | | | |
| NUMBER: | | _ | | | |
| NUMBER: | | _ | | | |
| TOTAL PRICE OF ALL BID ITEMS: \$ | | | | | |
| AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: | | | | | |
| | | | | | Printed Name |

SIGNING INDICATES YOU HAVE READ AND COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS.

NOTE: All bids should be returned with the BID NUMBER and BID OPENING DATE indicated on the outside of the envelope submitted to the Purchasing Department.

DATE: 3/27/2024

INVITATION TO BID FROM JEFFERSON PARISH - continued

BID NO.: 50-00144690

SEALED BID

| ITEM NUMBER | QUANTITY | U/M | DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES | UNIT PRICE QUOTED | TOTALS |
|----------------|----------|-----|--|----------------------|--------|
| | | | Three (3) Year Contract to Provide Serials Periodicals for the Jefferson Parish Library Department | | |
| 1 | 3.00 | YR | 0010 - DISCOUNT AMOUNT | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | % | | |
| 2 | 1.00 | EA | 0020 - SERVICE FEE | \$ | \$\$ |
| 3 | 3.00 | YR | 0030 - DISCOUNT FOR NEWSPAPERS | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | % | | |
| 4 | 3.00 | YR | 0040 - DISCOUNT FOR SCHOLARY JOURNALS | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | % | | |
| 5 | 3.00 | YR | 0050 - DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR MEMBERSHIPS NECESSARY TO RECIEVE AN | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | ORGANAZATIONS' PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS | | |
| | | | % | | |
| 6 | 3.00 | YR | 0060 - DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR REFERENCE SERIALS | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | % | | |
| 7 | 1.00 | EA | 0070 - LIST PRICE OVER WHICH BIDDER DOES NOT APPLY A DISCOUNT | \$ | \$\$ |
| 8 | 3.00 | YR | 0080 - ANNUAL PLATFORM FEE FOR DIGITAL NEWSSTAND | \$ | \$\$ |
| 9 | 3.00 | YR | 0090 - DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR DIGITAL NEWSSTAND TITLES | \$ | \$\$ |
| | | | % | | |
| | | | ***PER SUBMITTED SPECIFICATIONS*** | | |
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CORPORATE RESOLUTION

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF

INCORPORATED.

AT THE MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF __________, INCORPORATED, DULY NOTICED AND HELD ON _______, A QUORUM BEING THERE PRESENT, ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED. IT WAS:

RESOLVED THAT _______, BE AND IS HEREBY APPOINTED, CONSTITUTED AND DESIGNATED AS AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT OF THE CORPORATION WITH FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THIS CORPORATION IN ALL NEGOTIATIONS, BIDDING, CONCERNS AND TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PARISH OF JEFFERSON OR ANY OF ITS AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE EXECUTION OF ALL BIDS, PAPERS, DOCUMENTS, AFFIDAVITS, BONDS, SURETIES, CONTRACTS AND ACTS AND TO RECEIVE ALL PURCHASE ORDERS AND NOTICES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ANY SUCH BID OR CONTRACT, THIS CORPORATION HEREBY RATIFYING, APPROVING, CONFIRMING, AND ACCEPTING EACH AND EVERY SUCH ACT PERFORMED BY SAID AGENT AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

> I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE DATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID CORPORATION, AND THE SAME HAS NOT BEEN REVOKED OR RESCINDED.

SECRETARY-TREASURER

DATE

Non-Public Works Bid Affidavit Instructions

- Affidavit is supplied as a courtesy to Affiants, but it is the responsibility of the affiant to insure the affidavit they submit to Jefferson Parish complies, in both form and content, with federal, state and parish laws.
- Affidavit must be signed by an authorized representative of the entity or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit must be notarized or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Notary must sign name, print name, and include bar/notary number, or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiant MUST select either A or B when required or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiants who select choice A must include an attachment or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- If both choice A and B are selected, the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit marked N/A will not be accepted.
- It is the responsibility of the Affiant to submit a new affidavit if any additional campaign contributions are made after the affidavit is executed but prior to the time the council acts on the matter.

Instruction sheet may be omitted when submitting the affidavit

Non-Public Works Bid

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF _____

PARISH/COUNTY OF _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared:

_____, (Affiant) who after being by me duly sworn, deposed and said that

he/she is the fully authorized ______ of _____ (Entity),

the party who submitted a bid in response to Bid Number _____, to the Parish of

Jefferson.

Affiant further said:

Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A or B, if option A is indicated please include the required

attachment):

| Choice A | Attached hereto is a list of all campaign contributions, including the date and amount of each contribution, made to current or former elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson by Entity, Affiant, and/or officers, directors and owners, including employees, owning 25% or more of the Entity during the two-year period immediately preceding the date of this affidavit or the current term of the elected official, whichever is greater. Further, Entity, Affiant, and/or Entity Owners have not made any contributions to or in support of current or former members of the Jefferson Parish Council or the Jefferson Parish President through or in the name of another person or legal entity, either directly or indirectly. |
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| Choice B | there are <u>NO</u> campaign contributions made which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section. |

<u>Debt Disclosures</u> (Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required

attachment):

| Choice A | Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant. |
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| Choice B | There are NO debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section. |

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

[The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank.]

That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name of Affiant

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME

ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20___.

Notary Public

Printed Name of Notary

Notary/Bar Roll Number

My commission expires ______.

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDDING PURPOSES

All required insurance under this bid shall conform to Jefferson Parish Resolution No. 113646 or No. 113647, as applicable. Contractors may not commence any work under any ensuing contract unless and until all required insurance and associated evidentiary requirements thereto have been met, along with any additional specifications contained in the **Invitation to Bid**. Except as where otherwise precluded by law, the Parish Attorney or his designee, with the concurrence of the Director of Risk Management or his designee, may agree on a case-bycase basis, to deviate from Jefferson Parish's standard insurance requirements, as provided in this Section. Vendors requesting deviation therefrom shall submit such requests in writing, along with compelling substantiation, to the Purchasing Department prior to the bid's due date. Any changes to the insurance requirements will be reflected in the bid specifications and addenda. Prior to contract execution and at all times thereafter during the term of such contract, contractors must provide and continuously maintain all coverages as required by the foregoing Resolutions, and the contract documents. Failure to do so shall be grounds for suspension, discontinuation or termination of the contract.

For bidding purposes, bidders must submit with bid submission a current (valid) insurance certificate evidencing the required coverages. Failure to comply will cause bid to be rejected. The current insurance certificate will be used for proof of insurance at time of evaluation. Thereafter, and prior to contract execution, the low bidder will be required to provide final insurance certificates to the Parish which shall name **the Jefferson Parish**, **its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council** as additional insureds regarding negligence by the contractor for the Commercial General Liability and the Comprehensive Automobile Liability policies. Additionally, said certificates should reflect the name of the Parish Department receiving goods and services and reference the respective Jefferson Parish bid number.

JEFFERSON PARISH REQUIRED STANDARD INSURANCE

WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

As required by Louisiana State Statute, exception; Employer's Liability, Section B shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence when Work is to be over water and involves maritime exposures to cover all employees not covered under the State Worker's Compensation Act, otherwise this limit shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

Note: If your company is not required by law to carry workmen's compensation insurance, i.e. not a Louisiana company, sole employee of the company, then bidders must request a workmen's compensation insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

Shall provide limits not less than the following: \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

Bodily injury liability \$1,000,000.00 each person; \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence. Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

Note: This category may be omitted if bidders do not/will not utilize company vehicles for the project or do not possess company vehicles. Bidder must request an automobile insurance declaration affidavit prior to the bid opening date. This insurance declaration affidavit must be fully completed, signed, properly notarized and submitted with the bid. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration upon contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

DEDUCTIBLES - The Parish Attorney with concurrence of the Director of Risk Management have waived the deductible section of the Terms and Conditions for all Invitations to Bid, until further notice.

UMBRELLA LIABILITY COVERAGE

An umbrella policy or excess may be used to meet minimum requirements.

FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS:

The following are required if selected below. Such insurance is due upon contract execution.

OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY

To be for the same limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage liability established for commercial general liability.

BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE

The contractor shall maintain Builder's Risk Insurance at his own expense to insure both the owner (Parish of Jefferson) and contractor as their interest may appear.