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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS TESTING and INSPECTION  
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY  
15 JANUARY 2020**

You are hereby invited to submit a proposal to perform testing, inspection and repairs on the sprinkler systems, fire hydrants and fire pump as specified in the attachments of the Request for Proposal.

The information necessary to complete the proposal is listed below and in the attachment of this invitation.

Questions on bidding procedures can be directed to the Commissioner's Office at (603) 679-9350. Questions on the technical specifications of the Request for Proposal may be addressed to Jude Gates, Director of Facilities, Planning & IT at (603) 679-9375 [jgates@co.rockingham.nh.us](mailto:jgates@co.rockingham.nh.us)

**Proposal Instructions:**

Two (2) copies (or one copy and one thumb drive) of the Proposal should be submitted in a **sealed envelope** marked "RFP – Fire Sprinkler Testing" to:

Rockingham County Commissioners  
119 North Road  
Brentwood, NH 03833

Proposals must be submitted to the above address **no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, 07 February 2020**, to be eligible for consideration.

If proposals are being sent via FedEx, UPS, or other mail carrier, please ensure that the mailing envelope/package is clearly marked "RFP – Fire Sprinkler Testing". Envelopes/packages not marked the name of the proposal may be misidentified and will be rejected. Other forms of submission (fax or email) will be rejected. Proposals received after the deadline will be rejected.

An electronic version of your proposal, via CD or flash drive, included inside your sealed bid is welcomed.

**Mandatory Site Visit:**

Vendors submitting proposals are required to attend a mandatory site visit on **Tuesday, 28 January 2020**, at 9:30am, at the Engineering & Maintenance Services office, 116 North Road, Brentwood, NH. Proposals from vendors who have not made a site visit will be considered invalid.

**Proposal Opening:**

Proposals will be opened publicly at a regular scheduled Meeting of the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Rockingham County Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 117 North Road, Brentwood, NH., on **Tuesday, 11 February 2020, at 8:30AM**. Proposals will be taken under advisement at that time and will be awarded as soon as a complete review and comparison of the proposals received has been made by the Board of Commissioners.

**Proposal Award:**

The proposal(s) will be formally awarded and announced publicly at a regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners held in the Commissioners' Conference Room located in the Rockingham County Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 117 North Road, Brentwood, NH. Formal notification of award to all proposers will occur immediately thereafter. Information on the award will also be available on the RFP/Bidding section of the County's website at: <http://co.rockingham.nh.us>.

**RFP Prices:**

RFP prices are to remain in effect for a period of ninety (90) days from opening date of the proposals and are to remain firm once proposal is awarded to the successful proposer(s).

**Performance Clause:**

In the event that the successful awarded proposer/Rockingham County should default in the observance of the stipulations set forth in this Request for Proposal and any attachments thereto and such default is not corrected within thirty days of written notice from either party, the successful awarded proposer/Rockingham County shall have the option of canceling the proposal.

The successful awarded provider acknowledges that all work performed on County property will be done so in accordance with the standard safety rules and guidelines of OSHA. Please include with your Proposal a copy of your safety rules and guidelines and/or acknowledgement of your compliance with OSHA.

**Contractual Obligations:**

In the event that contracts for the supply of materials, equipment, or services are required under the bid, the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners reserves the right to review said contracts and amend to comply with County legal requirements prior to signing by the appointed representative of the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners. All contracts entered into by Rockingham County are required to contain Non-Appropriation and Indemnification clauses.

Sample language is provided below.

*Non-Appropriation*

Rockingham County is obligated to pay only such contract amounts that can lawfully be made from funds budgeted and appropriated for that purpose during Rockingham County's then current fiscal year, subject to annual approval by the Rockingham County Delegation. Should Rockingham County fail to budget, appropriate, or otherwise make available funds to make payments under this contract, such contract shall be deemed terminated at the end of the then current term. Rockingham County agrees to deliver prompt notification after any decision to non-appropriation is made, but failure to give such notice will not extend the term beyond such Original or Renewal Term.

### *Indemnification*

To the fullest extent permitted by law, (ORGANIZATION) shall protect, indemnify, save, defend and hold harmless Rockingham County, including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees, ("Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, claims, damages, penalties, causes of action, costs, interest and expenses, including but not limited to reasonable attorney and paralegal fees, which Indemnified Parties may become obligated or suffer by reason of any accident, bodily injury, personal injury, death of person, or loss of or damage to property, arising indirectly or directly under, out of, in connection with, or as a result of this Contract or the activities of (ORGANIZATION) or its agents, employees, contractors or subcontractors, and even if caused in whole or in part by any negligent or intentional act or omission of Indemnified Parties.

In addition, and regardless of respective fault, (ORGANIZATION) shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties for any costs, expenses and liabilities arising out of a claim, charge or determination that (ORGANIZATION) officers, employees, contractors, subcontractors or agents are employees of the Indemnified Parties, including but not limited to claims or charges for benefits, wages, fees, penalties, withholdings, damages or taxes brought in connection with laws governing workers compensation, unemployment compensation, social security, Medicare, state or federal taxation, and/or any other similar obligation associated with an employment relationship.

(ORGANIZATION'S) obligations to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties hereunder shall survive the term of this Contract.

Rockingham County shall not be required to defend or indemnify (ORGANIZATION) or its agents, employees, contractors or subcontractors or any professional service provider.

### **Insurance Requirements**

The provider shall maintain at all times during the life of this contract the following insurance coverage. The provider must also require its subcontractors to maintain such coverage. Any request for modification of the coverage requirements must be submitted in writing with the proposal, and will be evaluated accordingly.

**Workers Compensation Insurance:** The provider shall carry workers compensation insurance as required by the State of New Hampshire.

**Comprehensive General Liability Insurance:** The provider shall maintain comprehensive general liability insurance policy, which includes coverage for contractual liability, in an amount of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

**Motor Vehicle Insurance:** The provider shall carry motor vehicle insurance to include bodily injury, property damage, and uninsured motorist, coverage in an amount of no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident.

Provider shall provide an insurance certificate confirming the above insurance coverage. The insurance certificate and the underlying insurance coverage shall be issued by a carrier authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire and having A.M. Best Company rating of "A" or better.

The provider shall have professional insurance/errors and omissions insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence.

The provider shall file certificates with Rockingham County showing that the above insurance has been purchased. The insurance certificate submitted ***must*** show the certificate holder as;

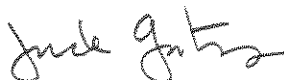
The Rockingham County  
119 North Road  
Brentwood, NH 03833

A 30-day notice is required for cancellation and /or material change of coverage, sent directly to the Rockingham County Commissioners Office at 119 North Road, Brentwood, N.H. 03833.

**NOTE:**

**The Board of Rockingham County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals or parts thereof, to accept the proposal which they deem to be in the best interest of Rockingham County and to waive any bid formality.**

Sincerely,



Jude Gates, Director of Facilities, Planning and IT  
Engineering & Maintenance Services

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## ATTACHMENT A

### I. General Requirement for Proposing and Instructions to Providers

#### A. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Rockingham County Complex (Rockingham) is a public entity composed of general administrative offices, a nursing home and a correctional facility.

Rockingham is seeking written proposals from qualified vendors to enter into a contract for a period of one (1) year with the purpose of supplying services as noted in section B. Contract to begin 01 April 2020.

#### B. SCOPE OF WORK

Provide all labor, materials and equipment necessary to perform annual/quarterly testing and inspection of the following;

. Ten (10) wet sprinkler systems – quarterly (starting with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, 2020)

- . Blaisdell Building, Blaisdell Elevator
- . Fernald Building, Fernald Elevator
- . Mitchell
- . Driscoll Building, Driscoll Elevator
- . Underhill Building, Underhill Elevator
- . Fernald Annex
- . Water Treatment
- . Jail – F-Block, G-Block, Boiler Room (total 3)

. Five (5) dry sprinkler systems – quarterly (starting with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, 2020)

- . Driscoll East & West Penthouses / Mitchell Attic
- . Underhill Attic
- . Carlisle Building
- . Horse Barn
- . Biomass

. Two (2) fire pumps, one (1) diesel, the other electric – due 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, 2020

- . Flow and tamper switches – due 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, 2020
- . Thirteen (13) fire hydrants – due 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, 2020
- . Post indicator valves (3) – Carlisle Building, Jail - 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2020
- . Fire Hose Valves – 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2020

- All testing, inspections and reporting shall be performed in accordance with “NFPA 25” and all other applicable Codes.
- All testing shall be done in the presence of a county employee.
- Verify that all devices are in proper working condition and that all alarms are properly announced at the fire panel(s).
- **All deficiencies are to be reported at the time of inspection to the Engineering & Maintenance Office.**
- Provide copies of all service/testing reports within 24 hours.

**C. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

1. Please include as part of your Proposal references from work performed of a similar scope.
2. Please include as part of your proposal hourly labor rates and associated costs to be charged for any repairs, service or emergency calls above and beyond the services outlined in the annual testing and inspection agreement.
3. All materials needed to perform any repairs above and beyond those specified in the annual testing and inspection agreement will be at the Rockingham's expense; a written quotation will be required and prior authorization received before commencing with repairs.
4. The work to be performed is in an occupied facility. Scheduling to be coordinated with the Engineering & Maintenance Services.
5. Service technicians shall check in at the office of Engineering & Maintenance Services, located at 116 North Road, (across the street from the Nursing Home) before starting.
6. All service slips must be signed by an employee in the office of the Engineering & Maintenance Services Department.
7. Payment is subject to the County's standard accounts payable process.
8. Invoicing should be quarterly per building/system and for services rendered.

**D. NOTICE**

Information provided in these specifications is to be used only for the purposes of preparing a proposal detailing costs and services to be provided to Rockingham County. It is expected that each provider will read these specifications with care. Failure to meet certain conditions may invalidate proposals.

The information contained herein is believed to be accurate, but should not be considered as warranted in any way. Questions or requests for additional information should be directed to Jude Gates, Director of Facilities, Planning & IT at (603) 679-9375.

**E. PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS**

Following the review and screening of all proposals, firms may be invited to participate in the final selection process, which may include the submission of additional information regarding cost or other issues, as requested by Rockingham.

**F. DELIVERY OF PROPOSALS**

Rockingham County must receive your written proposal no later than 3:00 p.m, Friday, 07 February 2020, **addressed and delivered to the attention:**

Board of Rockingham County Commissioners  
119 North Road  
Brentwood, NH 03833

"RFP – Fire Sprinkler System Testing"

**G. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. Rockingham County may buy from multiple vendors.
2. Any changes to the above Specifications shall meet the approval of the Board of Rockingham County Commissioners.
3. Should you have any variations (discounts and/or penalty clauses) which would affect the price, please specify in your proposal.