
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that Johnson County Public Safety Communications, a department under the control of the Board of Commissioners of Johnson County, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the County, will receive sealed bids for purchase of a VHF radio system as described herein.

Bid packets are available at the Johnson County Auditor's Office, 86 West Court Street, Franklin, Indiana 46131, or are available on the Johnson County website, co.johnson.in.us.

Sealed bids must be received by the Johnson County Auditor, 86 West Court Street, Franklin, Indiana 46131 no later than 3:00 p.m. (Local Time) on December 4, 2017. Bids received after such hour will be returned unopened. Bids received prior to this time shall be opened and publicly read at the public meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Johnson County West Annex, 86 West Court Street, Franklin, Indiana 46131. All interested citizens are invited to attend and should any citizens require special provisions, such as handicapped modifications or non-English translation personnel, the County will provide such provisions as long as the request is made by November 30, 2017.

A pre-bid meeting will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Local Time) on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at the Johnson County Public Safety Communications Center, 1081 Hospital Drive, Franklin, Indiana. Please RSVP to Ryan Rather at rrather@co.johnson.in.us.

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I. Purchase Description

The County is accepting bids for a VHF radio system to use as a backup communications system for all law enforcement and fire agencies inside Johnson County. All bids must be satisfactorily explained as to the operation of equipment.

A. Quantities

The County is seeking bids for a two channel, single site repeater system, approximately 350 mobile radios, and approximately 40 handheld radios, along with any necessary accessories, including but not limited to, antennas, antenna mounts, remote speakers, batteries, and battery chargers. Johnson County reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of units under this contract at any time.

B. Minimum Vendor Qualifications

Vendor must be an authorized dealer and repair shop for the equipment that is proposed, to give the customer the highest level of service and rapid response to requests and issues. Vendor shall state the availability and cost of a maintenance contract within its bid, although the County is under no obligation to proceed under a maintenance contract.

The vendor shall only bid equipment that has been properly registered and certified under the Federal Communication Commission Rules and Regulations, as applicable. The vendor must submit, with the bid, the applicable FCC ID numbers for all proposed equipment.

Vendor shall supply a minimum of three references for which the vendor has provided equipment and services similar to those being proposed. Vendor must provide the name, title, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of a contact person and a description of the system.

C. Hardware Requirements

The repeater system shall be a Digital VHF system, with two channels independent of one another. The system must meet or exceed current and foreseeable FCC narrow banding requirements. The system shall be compatible with integrating into the current Motorola MCC7500 radio consoles located at the Public Safety Communications Center. The system should have the ability to transmit an emergency alert and have the capability of identifying the end user in emergency status without verbal communication.

The mobile and handheld radios shall have an alphanumeric display capable of labeling each individual channel. The Vendor shall provide all necessary hardware to allow the mobile radios to turn on and off when the vehicle's engine is started and stopped. Mobile and handheld radios shall be capable of operating both digital and analog.

D. Programming

The Vendor shall include all initial programming of the repeaters, mobile radios, and handheld radios. The Vendor shall provide programming software and hardware to the customer for the mobile and handheld radios being proposed for future programming needs.

E. Existing Infrastructure and Equipment

Johnson County currently has two VHF systems and one UHF system in place. The two VHF systems are under FCC ID KSA914 and the UHF is not currently being used and is not licensed. All equipment is less than three years old. The proposed system will be used to replace the current systems. Any compatible equipment should be used by the Vendor to lessen the cost of the project.

F. Evidence of Financial Responsibility

Pursuant to Johnson County Ordinance § 5-1-3-4(c), the Vendor must provide evidence of financial responsibility in the form of a bond or certified check not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the estimated cost of the project.

II. Evaluation Criteria

The following evaluation criteria will be used to determine which bid is selected:

1. Capabilities, assets, and resources available to perform the contract work
2. Successful history of providing mission-critical radio systems to public safety agencies
3. Coverage area of system
4. Compatibility with other digital and analog VHF systems used inside Johnson County
5. Ability to conform with contract terms and conditions
6. Cost

Each Vendor shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the County that the Vendor has sufficient qualifications to perform the work under this contract within ninety (90) days of execution of the contract. The burden to demonstrate such qualifications shall be on the Vendor.

Each Vendor shall be skilled and regularly engaged in the general type of work called for under the contract. The County shall award this contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

III. Additional Requirements for Submission of Bids by Trusts

A bid submitted by a trust must comply with the provisions of Indiana Code § 5-22-3-5.

IV. Applicable Contract Terms and Conditions

A. E-Verify Program

The Vendor shall provide documentation to the County evidencing that the Vendor has enrolled in and is participating in the E-Verify program regarding the eligibility status of all newly hired employees of the Vendor pursuant to Indiana Code § 22-5-1.7. The Vendor is not required to verify the work eligibility status of all newly hired employees of the Vendor through the E-Verify program if the E-Verify program no longer exists. Further, the Vendor shall sign an affidavit affirming that it has enrolled in and is participating in the E-Verify program and that the Vendor does not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien.

B. No Investment in Iran

The Vendor must certify that the Vendor is not engaged in investment activities in Iran, as defined by Indiana Code § 5-22-16.5-1, *et seq.* Providing false certification may result in the consequences listed in Indiana Code § 5-22-16.5-14, including termination of this Contract and denial of future Johnson County contracts, as well as imposition of a civil penalty.

V. Conditions under which a bid may be cancelled or rejected

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled time for opening bids without the written consent of the Board of County Commissioners for a period of ninety (90) days after the bid date. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all irregularities in any or all bids.

BID SUMMARY FORM

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE ON TOP OF YOUR SUBMITTED BID,
SUCH THAT IT IS READILY ACCESSIBLE FOR VIEWING AND READING
AT THE COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING**

Bid Name: VHF Radio System

Bid Recipient: Johnson County Public Safety Communications, Johnson County, Indiana

Vendor Name: _____

Vendor Address: _____

Vendor City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Base Bid: \$ _____

Non-Collusion Affirmation

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
_____ COUNTY)

The undersigned vendor or agent, duly swears, under penalties for perjury, that s/he has not, nor has any other member, representative, or agent of the firm, company, corporation or partnership represented by him/her, entered into any combination, collusion or agreement with any person relative to the price to be offered by any person nor to prevent any person from making an offer nor to induce anyone to refrain from making an offer and that this offer is made without reference to any other offer.

Vendor (Firm)

Signature of Vendor or Agent