

CITY OF AURORA
INVITATION TO BID 21-35
Purchase of One Wheel Loader for the Water and Sewer Division

The City of Aurora invites you to bid on the anticipated purchase of One (1) Wheel Loader for the Water and Sewer Division in accordance with the specifications in the bid documents.

Sealed Bid Proposals will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 44 East Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois 60507, until **10:00 am, CST, Wednesday, June 30, 2021** to determine proposals for the anticipated purchase.

A non-mandatory teleconferenced live streamed bid opening will be held regarding this Bid. Information regarding this opening, including the dial-in number and meeting link, will be posted to the city's website at <https://www.aurora-il.org/bids.aspx> 24 to 48 hours in advance of the bid opening.

Inquiries and/or questions pertaining to the provisions and specifications of this bid package, **including requests for equivalent consideration**, shall be directed to the Director of Purchasing, in writing at PurchasingDL@aurora.il.us. Questions will be accepted until **8:00 am, CST, Tuesday, June 22, 2021**. Questions will be answered via addendum and posted to the City's website at <https://www.aurora.il.org/bids.aspx> by 12:00 pm, Thursday, June 24, 2021. NO questions will be accepted or answered verbally. **No questions will be accepted or answered after the June 15, 2021 8:00 am cut-off date/time.** It is the proposer's responsibility to check the website before submitting their proposal.

The City of Aurora encourages minority-owned, women-owned, and disadvantaged business enterprise firms to submit bid proposals and encourages the successful firm to utilize such businesses as applicable.

The City of Aurora has a Local Preference Ordinance that would apply to this contract.

Any Bidder who owes the City money may be disqualified at the City's discretion.

The City of Aurora reserves the right at any time and for any reason to cancel this Invitation to Bid, to accept or reject any or all Bids or portion thereof, or accept an alternate bid. The City reserves the right to waive any immaterial defect in any bid, or technicality, informality or irregularity in the bids received, and to disregard all nonconforming or conditional bids or counter-bids. Unless otherwise specified by the bidder or the City, the City reserves the right to hold the best bids for ninety (90) days from the opening date set forth above. The City may seek clarification from any bidder at any time and failure to respond promptly is cause for rejection. The City further reserves the right to award the Invitation to Bid to the lowest responsible Bidder whose offer best responds in quality, fitness and capacity to the requirements of the proposed work or usage and therefore is in the best interest of the City.

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Jolene Coulter
Director of Purchasing