

## City of Aurora

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## **Jolene Coulter**Director of Purchasing

DATE: October 25, 2018

TO: Prospective Bidders

FROM: Jolene Coulter, Director of Purchasing

RE: CITY OF AURORA INVITATION TO BID 18-63

**Protective Gear for the Aurora Fire Department** 

This notice forms a part of the Invitation to Bid 18-63: Protective Gear for the Aurora Fire Department. All other information pertaining to this Invitation to Bid shall remain the same.

<u>Please submit an original response and three (3) complete paper</u> copies of your sealed bid proposal. Each shall have provided all requested information, and submitted all appropriate forms, certificates, affidavits and addendum acknowledgements in each copy in order to be considered responsive.

Bid Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 pm, Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at the Office of the City Clerk, 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507.

**Please acknowledge this addendum with your bid proposal.** Failure to do so may subject Bidder to disqualification.

Responses to questions received by 8:00 am, Tuesday, October 23, 2018:

1) Do you have the contract number of the last awarded bid and where to find that information, or could you please furnish the results?

This was previously bid in 2015, bid number 15-52. Bid tabulations for the previous bids can be found on the city's website, https://www.aurora-il.org/1559/2015-Tabulations.

2) Could you tell me who else you sent these bids out to?

We do not maintain plan holder lists.

3) Do you have a local preferred vendor in Aurora currently?

We do not have a "preferred" vendor in Aurora. The city encourages any vendor to provide a competitive bid.

4) The current brand name specification for the coat and pants, have or are soon-to-be phased out of availability, such as the outer shell material: 40% Nomex and 60% Kevlar.

Section 3.0, Page 2, Appendix A allows for vendors to bid an alternative product to those specified. Please follow the instructions if you would like to bid on an alternative product.

In Appendix B, the vendor is to state if the proposed bid meets all aspects of this section, and if they exceed please state as such.

5) Regarding the Fire Helmet, page 22, Appendix B. Will Bullard with Cairns 880 be accepted as an approved equal?

Yes, the city will accept Bullard with Cairns 880 as an accepted equal.

**End of Addendum**