Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island Request for Proposal (RFP)

Handicapped Accessible Walkway and Door Replacement with Lighting and Heated Walkway at Tiverton, RI Town Hall.

I. Introduction

The Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to design, fabricate, and install a handicapped accessible walkway, replacement doors, lighting, and heated walkway for the Tiverton Town Hall. The goal of this project is to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) while maintaining the building's historic character. The selected contractor will be responsible for the removal of existing structures, installation of new components, and completion of the necessary electrical and heating systems.

II. Project Background

The Tiverton Town Hall building serves as the center of local government, community activities, and voting privileges for our citizens. The current walkway and entrance are not fully compliant with ADA standards, and the doors need replacement to improve accessibility and energy efficiency. The project will create a safe, functional, and aesthetically appropriate entrance for individuals with disabilities.

III. Project Scope of Work

The contractor will be responsible for the following tasks:

- 1. Handicapped Accessible Walkway:
 - Design and construction of a new walkway that is fully ADA-compliant, ensuring proper slope, width, and surface.
 - Walkway materials should be chosen to blend with the historic look of the building while being durable, non-slip, and easy to maintain.
- 2. Door Replacement:
 - Removal of existing entrance doors and installation of new automatic or power-assisted doors that comply with ADA standards.
 - Doors should be designed to preserve the historic character of the Town Hall and provide adequate weather resistance and energy efficiency.
- 3. Lighting:
 - Installation of energy-efficient LED lighting along the walkway and near the entrance to ensure proper illumination for safety.

- Lighting fixtures should complement the building's aesthetic and be vandal resistant.
- 4. Heated Walkway:
 - Installation of an electric or hydronic heated system within the walkway to prevent snow and ice accumulation during winter months.
 - Ensure that the heating system is energy-efficient and controlled through a thermostat or automated system.
- 5. Site Preparation:
 - Removal of existing paving, concrete, and other materials as necessary.
 - Excavation, grading, and proper drainage considerations to ensure the longevity of the walkway.
- 6. Additional Requirements:
 - Provide all necessary permits and inspections for construction, electrical, and heating work.
- IV. Proposal Submission Requirements

Proposals should include, but are not limited to, the following information:

- 1. Company Information:
 - Name of the company, contact person, address, and phone number.
 - Brief company history, including experience with similar projects.
- 2. Project Approach:
 - A detailed description of how the contractor plans to approach the project, including design, materials, and construction methods.
 - A timeline for completing the project, from initial design to final inspection.
- 3. Qualifications:
 - Proof of licensure, bonding, and insurance.
 - Examples of previous projects similar in scope and complexity, particularly those involving historic properties and ADA compliance.
- 4. Cost Proposal:
 - A detailed breakdown of the costs for each component of the project (walkway, doors, lighting, heated system, site preparation, etc.).
 - A total cost estimate, including labor, materials, equipment, permits, and any other applicable fees.
- 5. Timeline:
 - Estimated start and completion dates for the project.
 - Phases of the project and expected completion for each phase.
- 6. References:
 - At least three references from previous clients, ideally from similar projects.

V. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Compliance with ADA.
- Experience with similar projects.
- Appropriateness and quality of materials and design.
- Cost-effectiveness and value for money.
- Proposed timeline and ability to meet deadlines.
- References and past performance.

VI. Submission Instructions

Bids shall be filed in a sealed envelope bearing the title "Handicapped Accessible Walkway and Door Replacement" on the outside of the envelope to the Office of the Town Clerk of Tiverton on or before 2:00 PM on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at which time they will be publicly opened and read in the Town Council Chambers. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered. A duly authorized representative must sign bids in the name of the bidding company.

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VII. Terms and Conditions

- The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
- The contractor will be responsible for all required permits and inspections.
- All work must comply with applicable local, state, and federal laws, including ADA requirements and historic preservation guidelines.

Thank you for your interest in this project. We look forward to receiving your proposal.