



Finance & Accountability Purchasing Division

# ADDENDUM NO. I

DATE: June 22, 2021

TO: All Potential Proposers

**FROM:** James McKeehan, Assistant Purchasing Agent, City of Knoxville

**SUBJECT:** Addendum No. I to RFP - Holiday Ice Rink

This addendum is being published to provide clarification regarding the above referenced RFP. This addendum becomes a part of the contract documents and modifies the original specifications as follows:

#### Items for Clarification:

1. Size of the Rink - Is the City open to a different size, as an example, 50x80?

#### Due to the size of the space available we cannot accept a different size rink.

2. The proposal states that the city provides a custom sandbox. This is an antiquated way to build an ice rink. Is the city open to other options, such as a wood deck?

In the space allowed to build the Ice Rink there is approximately 16" of fall in the 80 ft. length making sand the easiest aggregate to level.

3. Double Blade Skates - We ordered these for our other ice rinks, and due to COVID, new Double Blades are unfortunately not currently available. How this should be handled in the proposal.

## Please state in your proposal that due to COVID Double Bladed Skates are not available.

4. Proposals need to be submitted by July 12, 2021. When will the proposals be reviewed and a vendor chosen. This date will affect submission of lease / purchase option. If a decision is not made quickly, the purchase option may not be a viable one due to shortages in the industry and long lead times for acquisition of equipment.

There is no timeline to award, however our intent is to award as soon as possible after each proposal is evaluated.

5. Does the city have its own ice resurfacing equipment or does that need to be added into the RFP?

## The City utilizes its own ice resurfacing equipment.

6. Section 6.11 A - We typically have GL of \$3,000,000 and indemnify and hold harmless our clients from injury...etc. If the City is operating the ice rink, how can the vendor be held responsible for the maintenance of the ice, operations of the rink, which could cause an accident / death? Or does the insurance relate to the construction of the rink only?

# In this instance the insurance requirement is only related to the construction and dismantlement of the ice rink and associated ice making equipment.



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7. Would Higher Quality Jackson Skates be acceptable? Or a comparable brand such as Riedell?

Please indicate the skates to be provided in your proposal. The City reserves the right to determine whether the proposed skates are equivalent-to or exceed the skates specified in the RFP.

8. How are the skates sharpened during the season? Does the city have a skate sharpener? This goes back to the insurance question. You need proper maintenance on skates during the ice rink season.

The City does not have a sharpener for the skates. The contractor has taken care of that in the past. Please include your solution in your proposal.

9. How far was the chiller from the rink last season? Important to know so the correct flow can be calculated and the correct amount of glycol can be introduced into the system.

The chiller is located eight feet from the end of the rink.

10. City Skate Requirements sizes seem inconsistent to what we normally provide our clients. For Men, the chart shows a large amount of skates in skate sizes 10, 11. We have found that these sizes are less used at the ice rink, and more are needed in sizes 7-9. Are these requirements flexible based on vendors experience and recommendations?

If proposers believe a different mix of sizing would be in the best interest to the City their suggested size mix should be included as part of their proposal.

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