

City of Spartanburg

Procurement and Property Division

Post Office Drawer 1749, SC 29304-1749 P (864)-596-2049 F (864) 596-2365

Legal Notice

Request for Proposal

Two (2) Dual Purpose and Trained Malinois Canines

February 27, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN – the City of Spartanburg Public Safety Department is seeking proposals from firms to provide and train Two (2) Dual Purpose and Trained Malinois Canines

Proposal Number Canine 1718-03-20-02

The City of Spartanburg, hereby, notifies all proposers that it will affirmatively ensure that all disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of gender, race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The City of Spartanburg reserves the right to reject any or all proposals should they be deemed unsatisfactory or to conclude that there are no satisfactory proposals and discontinue evaluations. The vendor that is awarded the proposal will be required to obtain a City of Spartanburg Business License and supply the City of Spartanburg with certificates of insurance for general, auto and workers' compensation liability.

Sealed proposals will be received in the Procurement office on the lower level of City Hall, which is located at 145 W. Broad Street, Spartanburg, SC 29304, until 3:00 p.m. **March 20, 2018**, at which time they will be publicly opened at the same location. No bids will be accepted after this time.

[Interested parties should contact the Procurement Office at \(864\) 596-2049 to request a complete proposal package.](#) Proposal details can also be obtained through the City's Procurement web page located at www.cityofspartanburg.org, and follow the link for Invitation for Bids.

Please address mailed proposals to:

City of Spartanburg
Post Office Box 5107
Spartanburg, SC 29304

Also, please show the following bid number on the lower left corner of the outer sealed envelope:

Proposal Number Canine 1718-03-20-02

Spartanburg Police Department

Two (2) Dual Purpose and Trained Malinois Canines

The City of Spartanburg's Police Department is seeking proposals from firms to provide and train two (2) dual purpose and trained Malinois Canine.

Canine Specifications

1. The canine must be physically sound and in good condition to meet strenuous working conditions.
2. Any gait defect or impairment of mobility which affect the dog's ability to perform strenuous duty is disqualifying.
3. Medical records and x-rays are required to assure that the canine is in good health and has no genetic defects.
4. Any defect in hearing, vision, or the sense of smell shall be disqualifying.

The canine will be conditioned and trained in the following areas.

1. Detect and indicate on the following narcotic odors: Marijuana, Hashish, Cocaine, Crack, Heroin, and Methamphetamine.
 - a. Canine must be trained in realistic settings such as impound vehicle lots, open fields, wooded areas, variety of building sizes, trains, bus, and air terminals, furniture, luggage, packages (sealed and unsealed) and vehicles.
 - b. The canine must have a strong drive and stamina to conduct lengthy searches outside and inside.
 - c. The canine must be trained to search in pattern, on and off lead; within a secure area to allow free movement of canine to detect odor at will. The canine should be able to search from floor to a ceiling height of twelve feet. Should be able to search congested areas (furniture, freight, parking lot, etc.) without being distracted.
 - d. Canine must be a passive alert dog.
2. Police Patrol Functions: Suspect tracking & apprehension, officer protection, building searches, and article searches.

Patrol Training Requirements:

- a. Heal, sit, down, sit stay, long sit (two minutes) and long down (three minutes). Handler out of sight on long sit and down.
- b. Canine should be familiar with an agility course and able to do low hurdles, tunnel crawl and a six foot jump.
- c. Canine shall tolerate being around numerous non-threatening people while at the handler's side in a heel position.

- d. Canine shall tolerate the handler and other people walking around and stepping over the downed canine.
- e. Canine shall tolerate other working canines and not be distracted from the assigned task.
- f. Canine needs to be exposed to realistic work conditions such as vehicle impound lots, fields, wooded areas, small and large buildings, large crowds, dark areas, train, bus, and air terminals, moving vehicles and other animals.
- g. Canine shall tolerate working/training in and around bodies of water; i.e., lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, etc.

Bite Work and Control Requirements:

- a. Bite and hold on command and recall from a running decoy.
- b. Mandatory call off on first command.
- c. Distance recall and call offs. The ability to bring the canine back to the handler or release a bite from a distance.
- d. The canine must have the ability to not flee during gunfire or be aggressive towards handler during gunfire.
- e. Canine should be able to be called by a still or passive decoy.
- f. Two or three suspect handler protection. Canine should release one decoy on command and immediately apprehend another decoy either by command or if the handler is being attacked by the decoy.
- g. Canine must tolerate stick and whip work without releasing the hold.
- h. Canine must be able to work in a muzzle and should be able to work with a bite suit with emphasis on leg, shoulder, and arm bites. Canine should release sleeve with verbal command from handler only.

Building Searches (Non-Narcotic)

- a. Canine must be able to search residential and commercial buildings.
- b. Canine must be trained in civil (no equipment) searching with minimal force necessary to affect the search or apprehension.
- c. Canine must be able to locate, by scent, any person inside the building from the floor to ceiling height up to thirty feet.
- d. Canine must be trained to locate more than one decoy/suspect hiding in different locations.
- e. Canine must back up on indication of decoy.
- f. Canine must have no aversion to slick floors, stairways or dark rooms.
- g. Canine must have stamina to complete extensive searches through large buildings.

Field Searches (Non-Narcotic)

- a. Canine must search with low and high finds, in relationship to terrain, vegetation and weather.
- b. Canine must be proofed from chasing or tracking animals.
- c. Canine must be able to complete a minimum 400 yard track.
- d. Canine must be trained to article search and identify foreign objects discarded/lost in natural vegetation.
- e. Canine must be able to search on or off the lead.

Above all requirements, control is the most important. The canine must be under complete control at all times by the handler. This includes obedience, protection, and all search work, as well as off duty activities.

3. Provide a one year canine guarantee against pre-existing health/social conditions that could render the canine unusable as a law enforcement tool. This guarantee will provide a free replacement of the problem canine.

The canine handlers will receive the following:

1. In-depth canine handler's course for law enforcement officers.
 - a. A course curriculum outline must be submitted with bid.
 - b. Minimum handler training course of no less than four (4) weeks and a maximum of eight (8) weeks.
 - c. Number of hours per day, days per week, and totals weeks required for training must be submitted with bid.
2. Provide basic canine handler's equipment.
 - a. A detailed list of canine care, training, and handling equipment to be included with bid.
3. The training facility should be within a 400 mile driving distant from the City of Spartanburg.

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Spartanburg Public Safety Department

Price page

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(Show this number on envelope and all correspondence)

_____ submits herewith our proposal in response to the proposal request _____ (Company Name)
 number shown above in compliance with the description(s) and specifications (s) for the following:

Quantities	Description	Unit Price	Total Price
2	Three (2) dual purpose and trained Malinois canines		
		Total	

In compliance with the proposal invitation and subject to all conditions thereof, the undersigned agrees:

- A. This proposals is stated, is open for acceptance for a period of 60 calendar days from day of pending.
- B. To furnish any and all items at the prices set forth the items unless otherwise specified, within _____ Calendar days after receipt of purchase order; contract and/or notice proceed.
 Discounts will be allowed as follows: __%, If paid within _ days. __%, If paid within __ days.

Company Name _____ **Tel. No** _____ **Cell No.** _____
Post Office Box _____ **Fax Number** _____
Street _____ **Federal ID No. or SS** _____
City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____ **Email Address** _____

 SIGNATURE OF PROPOSALERS REPRESENTATIVE

_____ DATE

Protest Procedures
 Any potential bidder believing that bid documents or drawings contain restrictive specifications or any other improprieties regarding the solicitation for bids may file a protest with City of Spartanburg of Spartanburg, which shall be received by City of Spartanburg of Spartanburg not later than ten (10) working days prior to, or after the bid opening,. The protest shall contain all reasons for the protest.

Right of Rejection and Clarification: The City of Spartanburg reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to request clarification of information from any proposer. The City of Spartanburg is not obligated to enter into a contract on the basis of any proposal submitted in response to this document.

Request for Additional Information: Prior to the final selection, proposers may be required to submit additional information which the City may deem necessary to further evaluate the proposer's qualifications.