

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

## **CITY OF CONROE**

### **2017/ 2018 AUDIO UPGRADES FOR OWEN THEATRE**



**CITY OF CONROE  
P.O. BOX 3066  
CONROE, TEXAS 77305**

**PRE-BID WALK THROUGH MONDAY OCTOBER 23, 2017 @ 10:00  
AT THE OWEN THEATRE**

**BIDS DUE NOVEMBER 9, 2017 @2:00 PM**

**CITY OF CONROE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Conroe will receive sealed bids in duplicate for audio upgrades at the Owen Theater located in Conroe, Texas. The proposals shall be appropriately marked “**Bid 1018-18 Audio Upgrades for the Owen Theatre**” and delivered to the City Secretary 300 West Davis, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Conroe Texas 77301. Proposals will be publicly opened and read on **Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.** in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor conference room at City Hall (300 West Davis).

Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the Purchasing website [www.cityofconroe.org](http://www.cityofconroe.org), purchasing with a link to Vendor Registry.

No proposal may in any way qualify, modify, substitute or change any part of the specifications contained herein.

Pursuant to *Texas Local Government Code Section 252.043*, the City of Conroe may enter into a contract with the offeror meeting all the qualifications and specifications that submits the bid that offers the best value to the City considering the selection criteria and weighted value set forth in the request for bids and the ranking evaluation of the bids received. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, award parts of bids and to waive informalities in submission of bids.

CC 10/21/17 & 10/25/18

**CITY OF CONROE, TEXAS**



**CITY OF CONROE  
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
REQUEST FOR SEALED RFPS**

Sealed Bids, **in duplicate**, shall be clearly marked **DO NOT OPEN, BID FOR “2017/2018 Audio Upgrades at the Owen Theatre”** and mailed to the attention of the City Secretary, Soco Gorjon, City of Conroe, P. O. Box 3066, Conroe, Texas 77305 or Physical Address 300 W. Davis St. Conroe, Texas 77301.

Date: October 17, 2017

Bids will be received until: 2:00 P.M. on November 9, 2017

For: Owen Theatre

**On a separate sheet, provide a total item and cost breakdown of all items included in the Total Cost.**

<b><u>DESCRIPTION</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Lump Sum Price for Total Upgrade to the Audio Equipment at the Owen Theatre</b>	\$

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Company Name**

**CITY OF CONROE  
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSER - - - - -PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

1. The City of Conroe, Tax No. 74-6000-555 is exempt from all Federal Excise Taxes. Do not include tax in your bid price or invoice. Taxable items must be so designated, and the City will supply contractor with Tax Exemption Certificate, properly executed. Prices should be itemized.
2. The City of Conroe will pay for articles or services purchased under this bid within thirty (30) days after due and proper delivery or performance of service is made and accompanied by an invoice.
3. This purchasing contract is subject to the attached **Purchasing Terms and General Conditions**.
4. In case of discrepancy between the unit price and the extension price, the unit price will be taken.
5. **ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SIGNED BY HAND.**

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The undersigned hereby offers to furnish and deliver the articles or services as specified above at the prices and terms there stated and in strict accordance with the specifications and general conditions of bidding, all of which are made a part of this offer. This offer is not subject to withdrawal.

Delivery can be made: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash Discounts \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_ Days

Names of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AUDIO UPGRADES

## **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit proposals for Audio Upgrades for the Owen Theatre.

If you are interested in your organization / business being considered for this project, please submit three copies of your proposal to:

**USPS:** City of Conroe  
Soco Gorjon, City Secretary  
P.O. Box 3066  
Conroe, TX. 77305

**Physical:** City of Conroe  
Soco Gorjon, City Secretary  
300 W. Davis St.  
Conroe, TX. 77301  
(City Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

**Pre-Proposal Walk Through Meeting: October 23, 2017 @ 10:00 am.**

**Due Date: On or before 2:00 pm on November 9, 2017**

All proposals shall be in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**RFP #1018-18 Audio Upgrades for the Owen Theatre**”

## **QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES**

Any person with questions regarding this RFP should contact Kristina Colville, Purchasing Manager, [kcolville@cityofconroe.org](mailto:kcolville@cityofconroe.org)

Answers will be provided to all Candidates receiving RFP's as a written addendum. Candidates should not rely on any oral communication concerning this RFP and oral responses will have no binding effect.

## **RESERVATIONS**

The City, through its duly authorized officials, reserves the right to reject any, part of, or all proposals and to waive any formality pertaining to any proposal, without the imposition of any form of liability. The Owner also reserves the right to award this proposal to the most qualified proposer or to the proposer that offers the best value to the City taking into consideration the evaluation criteria contained herein. The companies whose proposals are not accepted will be notified after a binding agreement between the successful Candidate and the Owner is executed, or upon the Owner's rejection of all proposals.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS**

Where materials or equipment are specified by a trade or brand name, it is not the intention of the City to discriminate against an equal product of another manufacturer, but to set a definite standard of quality or performance and to establish an equal basis for the evaluation of bids. In preparing this bid, each bidder is expected to include in his base bid the cost of the items so specified.

## **SCOPE OF WORK**

**The Scope of Services shall include, but not be limited to:**

Provide, Install and Program the following Yamaha equipment or Manufacturer's equal. The following is not a complete list but is provided as an example of what is needed.

CL 5 Digital Mixing Console, RIO3224-D Digital Stage Box, RIO1608-D Digital Storage Box, R18 Digital Storage Box, 24 GB Switches for Dante Networking, Quad Digital Wireless Receivers 16 channel, Digital Wireless Bodypack transmitters, rechargable batteries, Under cabinet laminated rack, Active Directional Antenna, cabling and pathways, installation, certifications and warranties, all testing to manufacturers standards.

**Each proposer must attend a pre-proposal walk-thru of the Owen Theatre to get a better understanding of what is needed. The proposer shall compile a list of equipment and pricing for each item and include in Tab A of the Response format. The proposer shall describe in detail exactly what they will provide to make the improvements at the Owen Theatre regarding the audio technology, include in Tab A.**

## **COMMUNICATION**

The City of Conroe shall not be responsible for any verbal communication between any representative of the City and any potential firm. All modifications to this solicitation must be made in writing. A proposer's failure to examine relevant documents or specifications will not relieve offer or from any obligation with regard to their response to this invitation.

## **CONDITIONS OF CONDUCT**

At all times any agent, officer, or employee of Proposer shall be present upon property owned by the City of Conroe, the terms and conditions of the Drug and Alcohol Policy currently adopted by the City of Conroe, shall be deemed applicable to such persons. Violations of terms and conditions while present on the premises owned by the City of Conroe shall be grounds for termination of any contract between the City and Proposer. A copy of this policy is available for public inspection in the office of the City Secretary and copies may be obtained at a nominal charge.

## **ETHICAL STANDARD**

No City official or employee shall have interest in any contract resulting from this "RFP". Individuals with a possible conflict will enact a public disclosure record by completing a "Conflict of Interest" form.

- ❖ **1295 certificate of Interested Parties and Conflict of Interest Questionnaire:**
- ❖ **Refer to the RFP # 1018-18 on the Ethics Form for the contract number.**

**The two forms stated above MUST be returned as part of your bid response. Failure to include these forms may result in your bid being considered unresponsive and therefor disqualified. Sample copies of these forms are included in the bid. The notarized 1295 with the certificate number must be included with your bid. The web address to the Texas Ethics Commission website with instructions is listed below:**  
(Sample Forms are attached)

[https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\\_info\\_form1295.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm)

**REIMBURSEMENTS**

There is no expressed or implied obligation for the City of Conroe to reimburse responding firms for any expenses incurred in preparing proposals in response to this request and the City will not reimburse responding firms for these expenses, nor will the City pay any subsequent costs associated with the provision of any additional information or presentation, or to procure a contract for these services.

**DISCLOSURE**

There will be no disclosure of the contents to competing firms until the contract is awarded. All proposals will be kept confidential during the negotiation process. Once the contract has been awarded, all proposals will be open for public inspection, except for trade secrets and confidential information, which the firm identifies as proprietary.

**DEFAULT**

The City reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately for failure to meet delivery or completion schedules, or otherwise perform in accordance with the requirements of this proposal.

**SELECTION PROCESS**

The City will select the proposal that offers the best combination of required specifications and best value for the City based upon the selection criteria below.

If negotiations with the most qualified Proposer are unsuccessful for any reason, the City will terminate negotiations formally and in writing with such firm and proceed in order to negotiate with the next most qualified firm until an agreement is reached.

Proposals will be assessed against evaluation criteria and a decision made by the Evaluation Committee. Notification of proposal acceptance will be written formal confirmation.

***Best Value Selection Criteria:***

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|--|---------|
| a) Proposed cost of services.                                    | 30 Pts. |
| b) Meets all qualifications and specifications described herein. | 30 Pts. |
| c) Bidder's principle place of business (§271.905).              | 20 Pts. |
| d) References of current customers.                              | 10 Pts. |
| e) History and past work experience with the City                | 10 Pts. |

**INDEMNIFICATION**

The Proposer shall, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Conroe, their officers, and agents from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, orders, decrees, or judgments for injury, death, damage to person or property, loss, damage, or liability of any kind (including without limitation liability under any federal, state, or local environmental law, Compensation and Liability Act; fees and costs (including all costs or settlements and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in defending any claim, demand, or cause of action) occasioned by, growing out of, or arising from (a) the performance of any product or service to be supplied by the Proposer, or (b) by any act, error or omission on the part of the Proposer, its agents, employees, or subcontractors, and or (c) any failure to fully comply with all applicable laws and regulations by the Proposer, its agents, employees, or subcontractors.

## **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The Proposer shall procure and maintain, at its expense, during the term of this proposal, at least the following insurance, covering work performed.

COVERAGE	LIMITS
A. Worker's Compensation	- As required by Texas Law
B. Employer's Liability	- \$ 500,000 each occurrence
C. Public Liability (Bodily injury)	- \$1,000,000 combined single limit
D. Public Liability (Property damage)	- \$1,000,000 combined single limit
E. Automobile Liability (Bodily injury)	- \$ 200,000 each person
F. Automobile Liability (Property damage)	- \$ 50,000 each occurrence

The Proposer agrees to furnish insurance certificates, showing the Proposer's compliance with this section.

## **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP**

The Proposer is and shall perform these services as an independent contractor, and as such, shall have and maintain complete control over all of its employees, agents, and operations. Neither the Proposer nor anyone employed by it shall be, represent, act, purport to act or be deemed to be the agent, representative, employee or servant of the City of Conroe.

The Proposer selected by this Request for Proposal will be working as an independent contractor and will be required to take out and keep in force all permits, licenses, certifications, other approvals, and or insurance that may be required by the City of Conroe, any local or regional governmental agency, the State of Texas, or the federal government. Failure to comply with any of these items would be grounds for immediate cancellation of the contract.

## **CONDITIONS OF WORK**

Proposers are expected to be fully informed of buildings, locations and working conditions under which the service will be performed, and to have thoroughly reviewed this RFP and specifications. Failure to do so will not relieve the successful proposer of any obligations to furnish the services as specified herein.

## **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Attention is called to the requirements for ensuring that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their age, race, color, creed, sex or national origin.

## **INTERVIEWS**

After written proposals are received and initially evaluated, the Owner may or may not require one or more of the Candidates to provide an oral presentation as a supplement to their proposals. Any Candidate required to interview should be prepared to discuss and substantiate any area of their proposal. The Owner is under no obligation to grant interviews to any Candidate receiving a copy of this RFP and/or submitting a written proposal in response to this RFP.

## **RESPONSE FORMAT**

The items listed below shall be submitted with each proposal and should be submitted in the order shown. Each section should be clearly labeled, with pages numbered and separated by tabs. Failure by a Proposer to include all listed items will result in their proposal being rejected.



❖ **Tab 1 – Cover Letter**

Provide a cover letter indicating your firm's understanding of the requirements relating to this proposal. The letter must be brief and formal from the proposer that provides information regarding the firm's interest in and ability to perform the requirements of this RFP. A person who is authorized by the organization to enter into an agreement with the City of Conroe will sign the letter.

Please include all contact information.

❖ **Tab 2 – Acceptance of Conditions**

Indicate any exceptions to the specifications, terms and conditions of this RFP, including the Scope of Services.

❖ **Tab 3 – Company Background**

1. Years in business under present name.
2. Name and address of company.

❖ **Tab 4 – Cost of Project**

Provide a complete list of equipment with a cost per each item.

❖ **Tab 5 – Documents to include with your response**

- Insurance Form
- 1295 Ethics Form
- HB 89 Form
- SB 252 Form
- Conflict of Interest Form
- Detailed Scope of work
- Detailed Pricing Page

**PROPOSAL AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION**

**The Undersigned Agrees That:**

The individual signing this proposal certifies that he/she is a legal agent of the Proposer, authorized to represent the Proposer and is legally responsible for the offer with regard to supporting documentation and prices provided.

- A. No Federal, State, County or Municipal taxes have been included in the quoted prices and none will be added.
- B. Prices in this proposal have not knowingly been disclosed with any other provider and will not be prior to award.
- C. Prices in this proposal have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition.
- D. No attempt has been made nor will be to induce any other person or firm to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- E. The individual signing this proposal certifies that he/she is a legal agent of the proposer, authorized to represent the proposer and is legally responsible for the offer with regard to supporting documentation and prices provided.
- F. Agent shall **initial** each applicable item below to certify acknowledgement.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial to indicate the required proposal submittals are enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial to acknowledge receipt of addendum and/or amendment (if applicable).

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Company Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Authorized Agent – Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address / P.O. Box)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Authorized Agent Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City / State / Zip Code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Email)

# CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

## FORM CIQ

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

**1** Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

**2**  Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

**3** Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Officer

**4** Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

Yes       No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes       No

**5** Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.

**6**  Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

**7**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**

### **For vendor doing business with local governmental entity**

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm>. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

**Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a):** "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

**Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):**

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

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(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

- (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;
- or
- (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

- (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
- (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

**Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)**

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

- (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
- (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
- (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(1) the date that the vendor:

- (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
- (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

- (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
- (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
- (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

# FORM 1295

## OFFICE USE ONLY

Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.  
 Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

**1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.**

**2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.**

**3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the goods or services to be provided under the contract.**

4 Name of Interested Party	City, State, Country (place of business)	Nature of Interest (check applicable)	
		Controlling	Intermediary

**5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.**

**6 AFFIDAVIT** I swear, or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the above disclosure is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said \_\_\_\_\_, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of officer administering oath      Printed name of officer administering oath      Title of officer administering oath

**ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY**

\_\_\_\_\_ (“Company or Business Name”)  
**House Bill 89 Verification**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Person name), the undersigned representative of \_\_\_\_\_(Company or Business Name) hereafter referred to as “Company”; being an adult over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, after being duly sworn by the undersigned notary, do hereby depose and verify under oath that the company named-above, under the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270:

1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and
2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

*Pursuant to Section 2270.001, Texas Government Code:*

1. *“Boycott Israel” means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes; and*
2. *“Company” means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or any limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exist to make a profit.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

On this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, the above-named person, who after by me being duly sworn, did swear and confirm that the above is true and correct.

NOTARY SEAL

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date