

SECTION 00100 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Snow Removal Acquisition
Independence Municipal Airport
Independence, Iowa

Receipt and Opening of Sealed Proposals. Sealed proposals for the work comprising the repair and improvement as stated below must be filed before 2:00 P.M. local time on May 27, 2026, in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 331 1st Street East, Independence, Iowa, 50644. Sealed proposals will be opened and publicly read with bids being tabulated at that time or thereafter. The results will be reported to the City of Independence at its council meeting at 5:30 P.M. local time on June 8, 2026, at which time the City Council may take action on the proposals submitted or at such time as may then be fixed.

Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered. Sealed proposals will be opened and proposals tabulated at 2:00 P.M. local time on May 27, 2026, in the office of the City Clerk by the City Clerk, at City Hall, 331 1st Street East, Independence, Iowa, 50644 for consideration by the City of Independence at its council meeting at 5:30 P.M. local time on June 8, 2026, City Hall, 331 1st Street East, Independence, Iowa 50644. The City of Independence reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities or technicalities in any bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City of Independence.

Time for Commencement and Completion of Work. Work on the improvement shall commence upon approval of the contract by the City Council and as stated in the Notice to Proceed. All work under the Contract must be substantially complete in one hundred eighty (180) calendar days. Liquidated damages as set forth in Section 00500 – Contract.

Bid Security. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security, as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon. The bidder's security shall be in an amount equal to 5% percent of the total amount of the bid. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

If the bidder fails to execute the contract and to furnish an acceptable performance and payment bond or provide a Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) days after acceptance of the bid by the City of Independence, the bid security may be forfeited or cashed by the City of Independence as liquidated damages.

Contract Documents. Copies of the project documents are available for a price of \$25.00 per set. This fee is refundable, provided the plans and specifications are returned complete and in good usable condition, and they are returned within fourteen (14) calendar days after the award of the project. Please contact Bolton & Menk, Inc., at cedarrapids@bolton-menk.com to obtain a hard set of project documents. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.bolton-menk.com or www.questcdn.com. You may view the digital plan documents for free by entering **Quest project # 10189490** on the website's Project Search page. Documents may be downloaded for \$0.00. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, viewing, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

Preference of Products and Labor. By virtue of statutory authority, further preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes. **Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.**

Sales Tax Exemption Certificates. The bidder shall not include sales tax in the bid. The City of Independence will distribute tax exemption certificates and authorization letters to the Contractor and all subcontractors who are identified. The Contractor and subcontractor may make copies of the tax exemption certificates and provide a copy to each supplier providing construction materials. These tax exemption certificates and authorization letters are applicable only for this specific project under the Contract.

Award of Contract. All proposals submitted in accordance with the instructions presented herein will be subject to evaluation. Bids may be held by the City of Independence for a period not to exceed **Ninety (90) days or September 1, 2026, whichever is later**, from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of conducting the bid evaluation.

The Owner will base the award of contract upon the lowest aggregate sum proposal submitted from those bidders the Owner confirms as being responsive and responsible. The right is reserved, as the City of Independence may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bids received.

Prospective Bidders are hereby advised that award of contract is contingent upon the owner receiving Federal funding assistance under the Airport Improvement Program.

Federal Provisions

This project is subject to the following Federal provisions, statutes, and regulations:

Equal Employment Opportunity - 41 CFR Part 60: The successful Bidder shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that

Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities – 41 CFR Part 60: A certification of Non-segregated Facilities must be submitted prior to the award of a federally-assisted construction contract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause.

Contractors receiving federally assisted construction contract awards exceeding \$10,000, which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause will be required to provide for the forwarding of the notice to prospective subcontractors for supplies and construction contracts where the subcontracts exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause. The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – 49 CFR Part 29: The bidder certifies, by submission of a proposal or acceptance of a contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Individuals or companies listed in the General Services Administration's "Excluded Parties Listing System" will not be considered for award of contract.

Foreign Trade Restriction – 49 CFR Part 30

The Bidder and Bidder's subcontractors, by submission of an offer and/or execution of a contract, is required to certify that it:

- a. Is not owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

- b. Has not knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract for this project with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country on said list or is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on said list.
- c. Has not procured any product nor subcontracted for the supply of any product for use on the project that is produced in a foreign country on said list.

Buy American Certificate – Aviation Safety and Capacity Act of 1990:

This contract is subject to the “Buy American Preferences” of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Act of 1990. Per Title 49 U.S.C. Section 50101, all steel and manufactured products installed under an AIP assisted project must be produce in the United States unless the Federal Aviation Administration has granted a formal waiver.

As a condition of bid responsiveness, Bidders must complete and submit as part of their proposal the enclosed Buy American certification. The bidder must indicate whether it intends to meet Buy American preferences by only installing steel and manufactured products produced with the United State of America; or if it intends to seek a permissible waiver to the Buy American requirements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Snow Removal Equipment Including Carrier Vehicle and Supporting Attachments

This Notice is given by the authority of the City of Independence

Susi Lampe
City Clerk