



TOWN OF COLUMBIA

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR MARINE PATROL BOAT

~ *RESPONSES DUE BY NOON (EST) ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2012* ~

OVERVIEW: The Town of Columbia, Connecticut (hereinafter “the Town” or “Town”) seeks proposals for a Marine Patrol Boat. Columbia is located approximately twenty miles east of Hartford. The town has a population of approximately six thousand residents. The town’s part-time marine patrol staff seasonally patrols Columbia Lake – which covers 281 acres.

IDEAL BOAT SPECIFICATIONS: The town’s analysis had identified the 2012 Zodiac Pro 500 Touring model as an ideal boat. However, the town will consider proposals for boats that may be similar to or better than the Zodiac. The Respondent is expected to explain why their proposal is similar to or better than. Below are specifications of the Zodiac.

- Length of 15’ 5” and Beam of 6’ 9”;
- Fiberglass console with steering and forward seat with vinyl seat cushion;
- Double bench Helm , fiberglass seat with (vinyl seat) cushions;
- (2012) Yamaha 50 HP fuel injected 4-stroke, remote steering, 20” shaft, electric start, power trim & tilt, 247 lbs;
- Yamaha command link tachometer with low oil alarm;
- Propeller, 3-Blade aluminum, 10-5/8”D X 12”P;
- 6.6 Gallon fuel tank with approved EPA fuel hose assembly;
- Battery Group 27 12 V battery with battery box and (tie down) strap;
- Battery Guest switch;
- Aluminum bow rail for bayrunner 500;
- Bow seat cushion, pro 500, white;
- Navigation lights, mast mount, bow and stern;
- Courtesy deck light;
- Automatic bilge pump kit, wired to rocker switch;
- 3 bow “Sunbrella” bimini top (color to be determined), aluminum tubing, SS fittings, to include boot;
- Dealer prep, installations and testing

REQUESTED INFORMATION:

- A. Company background
- B. Description of insurance coverage including carriers, limits and exemptions
- C. Description of company’s boat maintenance and repair resources in the area
- D. List of municipalities or companies that the company has recently sold boats to
- E. Proposed boat specifications
 1. Base specifications
 2. Optional specifications
- F. Cost of boat
 1. Cost for base specifications
 2. Cost for each optional specification
- G. Delivery timeframe
- H. Warranty Information

EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS: Town will carefully weigh the factors listed below.

- A. Track record of providing goods and services to customers;
- B. Quality of boat;
- C. Ease of using the boat;
- D. Cost of boat, including options;
- E. Warranty information; and
- F. Other qualifications/ criteria as deemed appropriate by the Town.

GENERAL RFP INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS:

Proposal Submittals: Proposals should be delivered to the following address: Columbia Town Administrator, Attention: Boat RFP, 223 Route 87, Columbia, CT 06237. Delivery in compact disc format is preferred.

Proposal Package Form: All proposals not submitted in electronic format shall be clearly typed.

Exceptions to RFP: Any and all exceptions of the Respondent to the terms of this RFP shall be made in writing and submitted in full with the proposal. Otherwise, submission of a proposal constitutes acceptance of the RFP terms.

Acceptance of Proposals: The Town reserves the right to accept and reject any and all proposals and to waive informality, technical defect, or clerical error in any proposal. The Town reserves the right to negotiate with one or more respondents. All costs incurred in the preparation of the RFP shall be borne entirely by the individual/ firm submitter.

Ownership of Proposals: All proposal submissions become property of the Town and shall not be returned. Proposals shall subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act.

Questions about the RFP: contact Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz at jl Luiz@columbiact.org or 860-228-0110.

Period Commitment: Proposals shall be binding on the Respondent for acceptance by the Town for thirty (30) days from the RFP closing date and time. Respondents may amend or withdraw their Proposal prior to this RFP's closing date and time by submitting a clear and detailed written notice to the Town.

Conflict of Interest: A Respondent filing a proposal thereby certifies that no officer, agent or employee of the Town who has a pecuniary interest in this request for proposal neither has nor shall participate in the contract negotiations on the part of the Town, that the proposal is made in good faith without fraud, collusion or connection of any kind with any other Respondent of the same call for proposals, and that the Respondent is competing solely in its own behalf without connection with or obligation to, any undisclosed person or firm. Respondents must fully disclose, in writing to the Town on or before the closing date of this RFP, the circumstances of any possible conflict of interest or what could be perceived as a possible conflict of interest if the Respondent were to become a contracting party pursuant to this RFP. The Town shall review any submissions by Respondents under this provision and may reject any Proposals where, in the opinion of the Town, the Respondent could be in a conflict of interest or could be perceived to be in a possible conflict of interest position if the Respondent were to become a contracting party pursuant to this RFP.

Assignment and Subcontractors: Assignment by successful Respondent(s) to third party of any contract based on the Request for Proposal or any monies due is prohibited unless approved by the Town in writing.

Collusion: Any act or acts of misrepresentation or collusion shall be a basis for disqualification of any proposal or proposals submitted by such person guilty of said misrepresentation or collusion. In the event that the Town enters into a contract with any Respondent who is guilty of misrepresentation or collusion and such conduct is discovered after the execution of said contract, the Town may cancel said contract without incurring liability, penalty, or damages.