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# City of Somersworth, New Hampshire

## OFFICE OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

### **REQUEST FOR BID**

### **CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL PROPOSALS**

The City of Somersworth, New Hampshire is seeking qualified vendors to provide construction equipment rentals as needed. Prospective respondents are advised to read this information over carefully prior to submitting a proposal.

*All Bids must be submitted with the attached bid certificate, in a **sealed envelope, plainly marked, "Construction Equipment Rental and Emergency Excavation Services," addressed as follows:***


Somersworth City Hall  
Attn: Scott A. Smith, Director of Finance  
One Government Way  
Somersworth, NH 03878

All proposals/bids must be received by **April 11, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. EST** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Somersworth City Hall.

***\*IMPORTANT:*** If you are not interested in submitting a quotation on this particular bid request, but wish to remain on our active bid list, please sign and return the attached form with a **NO BID** indication. Failure to respond in this manner will result in deletion from our bid list.

*Vendors wishing to respond to a bid request with alternates to specifications must notify the Finance Office no less than five (5) days prior to the bid request opening date. If the proposed changes are acceptable, the City will advise other potential respondents, thereby maintaining equality in the bid process. Failure to advise the City could result either in rejection of the alternate proposal or in an untimely extension of the sealed bid process.*

*Vendors may be asked, as part of the bid evaluation process, to supply company financial information. This data will be held in the strictest confidence and be utilized only to help assess the stability of a responding firm. The records will be returned to you after identifying the successful respondent to the bid request.*

			
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## **INTRODUCTION**

The City of Somersworth, New Hampshire is seeking qualified vendors to provide construction equipment rentals, as needed. General information and specifications are as follows.


## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. Contractor shall calculate rates to include an equipment operator.
2. All construction equipment being offered must come with industry standard built-in safety devices where it is available; i.e. audible alarm when backing up, etc.
3. Prices quoted must hold for approximately one year starting April 15, 2024 through April 15, 2025.
4. The contractor needs to be available for emergencies and provide City staff with 24/7 emergency contact numbers.
5. In addition to equipment rental rates, separate proposals to provide excavation services to supplement City personnel for emergency water and sewer line breaks is requested as well.

Questions on this request should be directed to Scott A. Smith, Deputy City Manager / Director of Finance and Administration at (603) 692-9504 or [sasmith@somersworthnh.gov](mailto:sasmith@somersworthnh.gov).


## **SPECIFICATIONS**

1. Provide the cost on the attached bid sheet.
2. Each bidder must submit a detailed listing of equipment owned by the bidder that will be used to meet the scope of services as described.
3. Each bidder must submit at least three (3) commercial customer accounts to serve as references, including the name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and contact person.
4. Each bidder must provide a description of their business, including size of the business, the number of employees, and the services provided.
5. The successful vendor will be required to submit a certificate of insurance, naming the City of Somersworth as additional insured, showing the following limits:
  - a. Workmen's Compensation Insurance
  - b. Commercial General Liability  
Limits of Liability  
Bodily Injury: \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate  
Property Damage: \$500,000 per occurrence \$500,000 aggregate
  - c. Combined Single Limit, Bodily Injury and Property Damage:  
\$1,500,000 per occurrence - \$1,500,000 aggregate
6. By submitting a proposal, each bidder is indicating they understand and have the ability to supply all labor, materials, supplies, tools, and equipment necessary to perform the services as detailed. In addition, any contract award is made on an as needed basis with the understanding that the City of Somersworth reserves the right to provide equipment and labor from its own workforce. Furthermore, each bidder is indicating they agree that it is their responsibility to understand and will comply with all O.S.H.A. regulations.

			
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7. Selected contractors to be placed on an eligibility list for possible use, contractors may not use subcontractors without the written approval of the City of Somersworth, City Manager.
8. Sealed bids are due by **April 11, 2024 at 2:00PM** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids must be delivered before that time plainly marked "Construction Equipment Rental and Emergency Excavation Services" to the following address:

Somersworth City Hall  
 Attn: Scott A. Smith, Director of Finance  
 One Government Way  
 Somersworth, NH 03878

			
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**BID CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned represents that they are authorized to bind the bidder to the bid amount specified and hereby offers to provide to the City of Somersworth the commodities and services as contained in the attached competitive sealed bid specifications at the price stated in complete accordance with all conditions of the bid specifications. Furthermore,

*The undersigned certifies that this bid is in all respects bona fide, fair, and made without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this section the word "person" means any natural person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other business or legal entity*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature/Title


\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

Check here if appropriate: \_\_\_\_\_(X) NO BID

*Any deviations from the above stated specifications must be so noted and any bid prices must be reflective o/these deviations*

			
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**BID SHEET 1**

**REFERENCES:**

At least three (3) references of other companies for whom similar services have been provided shall be included with the bid response:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**BID SHEET 2-Heavy Equipment**

**PRICING: May use separate sheet if needed, but include headings. All Equipment is priced to include the operator of the equipment and all overhead.**

Equipment	Unit Description	Make, Model & Year	Price/Hour	Tracks	Rubber	Mobilization fee
Backhoe (specify size)						
Backhoe (specify size)						
Backhoe w/ram						
Mini Excavator (specify size)						
Mini Excavator (specify size)						
Excavator (specify size)						
Excavator (specify size)						
Excavator (specify size)						
Skid Steer, list attachments						
Planer attachment						
Dozer (specify size)						
6-wheel Dump Truck						
10-wheel Dump Truck						
Triaxle Dump Truck						
Grader						
Road Reclaimer						
Asphalt Hot Box						
Roller-Compactor						
Bucket Truck/Lift Truck						



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**BID SHEET 3 Specialty Equipment-Construction Items**

**PRICING: May use separate sheet if needed, but include headings. List equipment smallest to largest**

Equipment	Unit Description	Make, Model & Year	Price/Hour	Tracks	Rubber	Mobilization fee
Trench Box-Small						
Trench Box-Large						
Road Plates						
Electronic Message Board signage						
Brush Hog -small						
Brush Hog-large						
Pump/ By pass pump						
Vacuum Truck						
Sewer/Storm Camera Truck						
Combo Sewer/Storm Camera and Vactor Truck/crew						
Septage Hauler						
Certified Flagger						
Other						

**All Equipment is priced to include the operator of the equipment and all overhead.**



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## **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **Preparation of Bids/Proposals**

Bids shall be submitted on the forms provided and must be signed by the bidder or the bidder's authorized representative. The person signing the bid shall initial any corrections to entries made on the proposal form.

Unless otherwise stated in the Request for Bid/Proposal, the bidder agrees that the bid shall be open for acceptance for sixty (60) calendar days from the date of submittal to the City of Somersworth.

### **Acceptance or Rejection of Bids/Proposals**

The City of Somersworth reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technical or legal deficiencies, and to accept any bid that is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

The City of Somersworth also reserves the right to reject the bid of a bidder that has failed to perform properly or complete on time contracts of a similar nature.

### **Delivery of Bids/Proposals**

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope, and shall be addressed to the City at the address and to the attention of the official as outlined in the bid documents. All bids must be submitted prior to the specified date and time. Any bids received after the specified date and time will not be considered and will not be opened. Bids delivered via facsimile, e-mail, or any format other than within a sealed envelope shall not be considered.

### **Withdrawal of Bids/Proposals**

A bidder will be permitted to withdraw their bid unopened after it has been deposited if such request is received in writing prior to the time specified for opening the bid.

### **Public Opening of Bid/Proposals**

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time and place as indicated in the bid documents. Any bidder, authorized agent, or other interested party may be present.

### **Bid/Proposal Ownership and Costs**

Upon submission, bids become the property of the City of Somersworth. The cost of preparing and submitting a bid is the sole responsibility of the bidder and shall not be chargeable in any manner to the City. The City will not reimburse any bidder for any costs associated with the preparation and submission of a bid.





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### Examination of Proposed Materials

The submission of a bid shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the bidder that it has investigated all aspects of the RFP, that it is aware of the applicable facts pertaining to the RFP process and its procedures and requirements, and that it has read and understands the RFP. No requests for modification in the provisions of the bid shall be considered after its submission on the grounds that the bidder was not fully informed as to any fact or condition. Statistical information, which is contained within a RFP or any addendum thereto, is for informational purposes only. The City disclaims any responsibility for this information that may subsequently be determined to be incomplete or inaccurate

### Insurance Requirements

The successful bidder shall procure and maintain insurance, in the amounts and coverage detailed by the proposal documents at the bidder's sole expense. The successful bidder shall be required to present to the City of Somersworth a certificate of insurance in the amounts required naming the City of Somersworth as an additional insured.

### Bid Results

After the bids are opened and read, the bid results will be available for the public. Bidders that desire a comprehensive list of the bid results may do so by attending the bid opening, or requesting such, in writing, to the Director of Finance and Administration.

The award of a bid shall not be considered official until such time that a Purchase Order, fully executed contract, or an award letter has been issued by the City of Somersworth. No presumption of award shall be made by any bidder until such documents have been executed and are in hand. Verbal notification of award is not considered official. Any action by the bidder to assume otherwise is done so at their own risk and the City will not be held liable for any expense incurred by a bidder that has not received an official award.