

Addendum No. 2
Q&A from Pre-Proposal Conference & Other Clarifications
Video Surveillance RFP #2015-02

1. Can you expand on the rebid in terms of how you intend to proceed when it is seen that no cameras are fully made in the USA?

GPMTD response: We have to wait until all the proposals are submitted to know if there are cameras available that are 100% manufactured in the USA. At that point in time, if there are none that are Buy America compliant; we will submit a Buy America waiver to the FTA

2. Under 8-6 “General Requirements”, the second bullet On Page 38 mentions (2) flat panel displays. Can we use existing CPU’s at these locations?
 - a. Do you want us to supply full workstations at these locations or can this be a display available on existing CPU’s by installing the viewing software on those computers or do you want (2) dedicated (static) displaying monitors that are set up by an administrator of the system?

GPMTD response: We want a flat panel display in our Dispatch area and also in our Transit Security Office. Bid this as if you are providing the equipment, the 2 monitors. They would be display only.
Any size requirement? vendor to suggest the optimal size for monitors.

- b. If these are to be dedicated displays, please reply with the make and model number of any CPU’s that are at these locations. (An option may be to set up this display via your network by connecting to an existing CPU and we will need to know the make and model number to verify that those CPU’s are capable of second displays, etc.)

GPMTD response: Dedicated displays primarily, not work stations.
We do not want the workstations that are currently installed at the Transit Center to be dedicated for only viewing the cameras; they are used for other purposes. We want a dedicated display for the cameras. If a computer is required to run software to show the camera views, then it should be included in the bid

3. Under 8-9 “GPMTD Facility...”, there are (3) Locations in the “Downstairs” area that were not on the original RFP. These (3) additions are labelled as “A/C Equipment and power panel”, “Storage room” and “Classroom area.” Please confirm what coverage you want for these areas.
 - a. Do we need to provide coverage inside the rooms or only the entrances of the “A/C Equipment and power panel” and “Storage room”?

GPMTD response: only to the entrances, not the inside of the room

- b. What coverage do you want in the “Classroom area”? *Full coverage in (2) directions or one view of this room?*

GPMTD response: we want the entire room covered; that will be up to the vendor to decide.

4. Is the “Pre-Proposal Conference” a Mandatory meeting?

GPMTD response: No

5. Will a list of bidders be provided?

GPMTD response: Yes, upon request

6. Can you clarify certifications – Section 8-13

The State of Illinois requires person(s) or businesses that engage in the installation, service and repair of: Alarm Systems, Fire Alarm Systems, Camera Systems (CCTV) and Access Control Systems to be licensed by the Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation, Must hold an Alarm Contractor/Agency License.

GPMTD response: Must be licensed by the State of Illinois as a Security/Alarm contractor

(225 ILCS 447/Art. 10 heading)

ARTICLE 10. GENERAL LICENSING PROVISIONS.

(Article scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2024)

(225 ILCS 447/10-5)

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Sec. 10-5. Requirement of license.

(a) It is unlawful for a person to act as or provide the functions of a private detective, private security contractor, private alarm contractor, fingerprint vendor, or locksmith or to advertise or to assume to act as any one of these, or to use these or any other title implying that the person is engaged in any of these activities unless licensed as such by the Department. An individual or sole proprietor who does not employ any employees other than himself or herself may operate under a "doing business as" or assumed name certification without having to obtain an agency license, so long as the assumed name is first registered with the Department.

7. Clarify coverage area for 2 rooms in the Admin Building, lower level:

- a. A/C electrical panel – just the exterior door, not the inside
- b. Storage Room - the back room is our storage room but also houses our servers, we want coverage on the door and also the inside of the server room
- c. Classroom: we want the whole room covered, up to vendor how to cover it and how many views

8. The Proposal due date of November 30th – would you consider moving that back

GPMTD response: we will definitely consider pushing back to mid-December

9. Will you be stating a minimum camera resolution for typical camera locations so the proposals will have equal equipment performance and relative comparable cost from all bidders?

GPMTD response: we will not be stating a minimum resolution for camera locations, only “general coverage” and “areas of high concern” where we need higher resolution. This choice will be up to the vendor as to what resolutions they recommend.

10. Is all exposed cabling to be installed in conduit?

GPMTD Response: only for cables that are exposed to weather conditions or electrical processes

11. Please provide more information in what is required for the VMS software to support Federal Architecture for Centralized Management.

GPMTD Response: Must be NCTIP compliant. Federated Architecture (FA) is a pattern in enterprise architecture that allows interoperability and information sharing between different video management and surveillance systems and software. This requirement is for the proposed solution to be able to integrate with future additions that may also support centralized management.

12. What is the completion schedule of the project?

GPMTD response: Selected contractor will have one year after the award to complete the project

13. Infrastructure between sites; will there be existing fiber that has sufficient capacity? Will we have to integrate it into your existing network or would those fibers be made available to us?

GPMTD response: we have a number of fiber runs. One is being used for network, one of them is planned to be used for network and we have a third one available that’s basically two pieces of fiber, one in and one out that can be used ...

The fiber will be available will be available as a dedicated ... ideally it would be on a separate network subnet so it won’t interfere with our network

Size? Assume single mode

14. Can we reuse existing conduit?

GPMTD response: don’t see a problem with reusing it; however, it would be best to assume that you have to run new conduit for those places you are unsure.

15. Fuel island, is there conduit running to the Maintenance Building?

GPMTD response: I would assume there is conduit running to it, but I don’t know if you can pull wiring through it.

16. No preference as to a manufacturer or brand on any part of the system.
17. When you determine the evaluation of the firm and technical approach will you determine through vendor presentations?

GPMTD response: Yes, we welcome presentations and demos

18. The scoring evaluation criteria, is this some sort of recognized industry standard as far as the percentages?

GPMTD response: The criterion is pretty standard, the percentages are derived from the project manager in conjunction with Procurement, they decide what is important based on the project and what the District's needs are.

19. Do you have any desire to integrate the transit vehicles cameras into the system?

GPMTD response: Right now we are just doing our facilities; we can't bring our buses into it as that would be part of future projects.

20. Does wire management (rings or hooks) exist above the ceiling?

GPMTD Response: we cannot verify if there is or isn't existing rings or hooks

21. There are 3 AXIS IP cameras in place (2 in the money room and 1 in the old garage area) – can these cameras and cabling be reused?

GPMTD Response: No, these cameras cannot be used

22. Reuse explosion proof housing in the paint bay?

GPMTD Response: Yes, the explosion proof housing may be utilized

23. Do you want the video server to have RAID 5 or RAID 6 capability?

GPMTD Response: please provide option pricing for RAID5 with your proposals

24. GPMTD would also like to clarify that we want 24/7 continuous recording capabilities