

INVITATION TO BID



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

P. O. BOX 1125

216 E. CENTRAL AVENUE

SECOND FLOOR

VALDOSTA, GEORGIA 31601

BID # 36-26

FOR: City of Valdosta Filter Press for Withlacoochee Water Plant

BID OPENING DATE: 03/24/2026

TIME: 10:00A.M. EST

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(229) 259-3521

Timeline

City of Valdosta Filter Press for Withlacoochee Water Plant Bid#36-26

Task	Date	Time
Post Bid	February 10,2026	C.O.B
Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Visit Contacts & Location Below	Anyone that is submitting a proposal must do a site visit to qualify.	
Questions Due Date	March 3,2026	5:00 P.M.
Answers to Questions Posted	March 6,2026	5:00P.M.
Bid Opening	March 24, 2026	10:00 A.M.
Notice of Award	Pending Council Approval	TBD

Pre- Bid Mandatory Visit Contacts:

Superintendent Ricky Cornelius-229-292-0842

Asst. Superintendent Mike Duval -229-232-9332

Pre-Bid Site Visit Address:

3108 Wetherington Lane, Valdosta Ga.31601

NOTICE TO DEALERS/VENDORS

1. Any prices bid by dealer/vendor on any items offered to the City of Valdosta shall be the price effective at the date of delivery.
2. No delivery date of “ASAP” (As Soon As Possible) shall be considered acceptable on items that have a maximum delivery date listed in the specifications.
3. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to accept alternate bids on any or all items where maximum delivery date, as listed in the specifications, is not met by dealer/vendor.
4. Signature below of authorized agent for dealer/vendor shall constitute recognition and acceptance of all conditions of the sale as listed above.
5. All shipping is to be FOB Valdosta, GA 31601 and included in total price unless otherwise stated in the bid document.
6. Please be aware that private and public mail carriers are not always reliable on next-day delivery in our area. Please assure your response is sent in plenty of time to reach us. As you know, late responses are not acceptable. If you utilize the US Postal Service and mail your response to the physical address, the chances are high it will be diverted to our post office box so allow extra time for delivery. Private carriers will deliver to the physical address but include “Purchasing, 2nd Floor” in your delivery address and be aware that although you pay overnight fees, overnight delivery is not always successful although you are told the delivery time will be met.

Dealer/Vendor

Authorized Agent

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

It is the intent of these specifications to furnish the City of Valdosta with the following requisitioned equipment, according to the attached. It is clearly understood that the following are minimum specifications and are made in order to show the exact quality through specifications of the equipment proposed.

The City of Valdosta reserves the right to accept any or all bids or to choose the bid considered to be in their best interest.

The final decision of purchase will be made upon the award of the City of Valdosta Mayor and Council if the item or items total are greater than \$25,000.

Cooperative Procurement

By signing this bid package, Vendor agrees it will permit piggyback purchases to this bid/contract for other government entities where governmental discounts apply such as city, county, local authorities, agencies, non-profits, boards of education, or other governmental agencies not listed offering the same prices, terms, and conditions offered to the City of Valdosta. Piggybacking shall only be available where competition was used to secure the contract and only for a period of 12-months following award date, or during renewals or extension periods of the contract. Also, the piggybacking will only be for the item(s) in the original bid/quote as they are specified with the exception of very minor changes. Changes such as engine size, pump size, different body style, etc. will not be allowed. This provision shall not apply to any contract where otherwise prohibited or mandated by state law.

**NO BID WILL BE CONSIDERED IF RECEIVED AFTER THE DATE AND TIME
SPECIFIED.**

**Be sure to put the Bid Number on the outside of your
return envelope.**

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Proposals must be made upon the form of the proposal attached hereto. They must be enclosed in a sealed plain envelope, **with the bid number written on the outside of envelope or sealed box** and endorsed with the title of the proposal including bid number and must be filed with the Purchasing Agent of the City of Valdosta, located at 216 E. Central Ave 2nd floor. In the event you choose to mail your proposal, it should be mailed to Teresa Davis, P.A., P.O. Box 1125, Valdosta, Ga. 31603. Failure to follow these instructions will result in an automatic disqualification.
2. No bidder will be allowed to withdraw his proposal for any reason whatsoever after the bids have been opened.
3. The specifications represent the minimum general size, weight, capacity, and performance characteristics desired in the equipment to be purchased. These requirements are not intended to prevent obtaining fair prices or to eliminate competition, but to insure, if possible, that all bids submitted shall not be subject to correction or alteration after the bid has been filed, opened, and publicly read. In view of an unusual wide disparity in details of design and manufacture, complete descriptive literature and manufacturer's specifications must be submitted on each type of equipment offered. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to evaluate any or all bids, particularly where there is a range in specifications. Special consideration will be given to the ready availability of repair parts and service.
4. Federal or State taxes are not applicable to Georgia Municipalities under the United States Code Title 26 and Georgia Exemption Certificate Number 3-465-686-300-1.
5. It is expressly understood by the bidder that written notice of the award or purchase order by the City of Valdosta will constitute an agreement and consummate the transaction and will serve together with the proposal, the advertisement, these instructions, and the detailed specifications, as the entire form of contract between the parties.
6. The bidder agrees that the City of Valdosta reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to accept the part of the bid considered to be in the best interest of the City.
7. Specifications referred to minimum, therefore unless otherwise indicated by the bidder, the city will assume proposals meet or exceed all specifications.
8. The names of a certain brand, make or definite specifications are to denote quality standard of the article desired, but do not restrict bidders to be specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it is to set forth and convey to prospective bidders the general style, type, character and quality of the article desired.
9. The award of the contract will be made to the lowest responsible bidder taking into consideration quality performance and the time specified in the proposals for the performance of the contract. The City of Valdosta reserves the right to reject all bids as appears in its own best interest and to waive technicalities. In cases of a tie, the bid in the best interest of the city will be awarded.