



298 W Washington St, Stephenville, TX 76401

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Stephenville, at City Hall, 298 W Washington Street, Stephenville, TX 76401 until 2:00 pm, August 30<sup>th</sup>, at which time bids duly delivered and submitted will be considered for:

### INSPECTION FOR FOOD SERVICE AND RETAIL FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS

Bids should be addressed to Rebecca Crosson, Purchasing Manager, 298 W. Washington, Stephenville, TX 76401.

Any bid received after stated closing time will be returned unopened. If bids are sent by mail to the City, the bidder shall be responsible for actual delivery of the bid to the City Secretary before the advertised date and hour for opening of bids. If mail is delayed either in the postal service or in the internal mail system of the City of Stephenville beyond the date and hour set for the bid opening, bids thus delayed will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

Until the final award by the City of Stephenville, said City reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, to waive technicalities, to re-advertise, to proceed otherwise when the best interest of the City will be realized hereby. Bid award is not solely based on price alone.

**All bids must be submitted on original bid forms.** Any changes to the form or failure to label packaging on the bid, may disqualify it. All packaging on bids (including courier envelope) will be submitted sealed and plainly marked with:

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF BIDDER**  
**FOOD INSPECTION SERVICES**  
**BID NUMBER 3329**

It is not the intent of the City of Stephenville to offer proprietary specifications, or to eliminate any vendor from bidding by the use of brand names. If brand names are used it is for example only and understood the "or equal" will be accepted.

Bids shall be held firm for a period of 60 days unless otherwise stated in the bid specifications, instructions to bidders, or on the bid sheet.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MOST COURIER SERVICES DO NOT OFFER BEFORE  
10:30 AM SERVICE TO STEPHENVILLE**

**ITB 3329**

Bids that contain any omission, erasures, or alterations, or additions of items not called for in the bid documents, or irregularities of any kind, may or may not be considered.

Deviations from specifications and alternate bids must be clearly shown on the bid form with complete information attached to form. They may or may not be considered.

Upon bidders submitting bids they shall not withdraw or cancel such bids and all sums deposited with such bids will be held by the City of Stephenville until all bids submitted shall have been canvassed and award of contract made, signed and if a performance bonds is required furnished and approved. All sums deposited with bids will then be returned to the respective bidders.

The City of Stephenville, Texas is exempt from State of Texas Sales Tax and a Tax Exemption Certificate shall be furnished by the City of Stephenville, Texas to the successful bidder upon request.

No official of the City of Stephenville shall have financial interest, direct or indirect, in any contract with the City, or be financially interested, directly or indirectly, in the sale to the City of any land, material, supplies or services.

Discounts: Show rate, total amount, and latest day any discount will be allowed after receipt of article and correct invoice.

This contract is subject to cancellation upon thirty day written notice by the City of Stephenville without cause.

Liquidated Damages: In the event delivery is not made within the stated time period, (without acceptable reasons for delay and written consent from the City) the City reserves the right to place the order with the next available vendor and the awardee shall be liable for any increase in price as liquidated damages, it being agreed that said sum is a fair and reasonable estimate of actual damages the City will incur. Bidder will not

be held liable for failure to make delivery because of strikes; conscription's of property, governmental regulations, acts of God, or any other causes beyond his control; provided an extension of time is obtained from the Division of Purchasing.

Exceptions: Any catalog or manufacturer's reference in this proposal is descriptive, but not restrictive, and is used only to indicate type and grade. Bids on other items of similar and equal quality will be considered, provided the bidder states on the face of this proposal exactly what he intends to furnish, including any variation to the specifications and literature, otherwise he shall be required to furnish the items as specified on the proposal. Any other exceptions to any portions of these terms and conditions or deviations from written specifications shall be shown in writing on the bid document form or attached to bid form.

Quantities: Quantities shown are estimated, based on projected use. It is specifically understood and agreed that these quantities are approximate and any additional quantities will be paid for at the quoted price. It is further understood that the supplier shall not have any claim against the City of Stephenville for quantities less than the estimated amount.

Prices: The bidder should show in the bid document both the unit price and total amount, where required, of each item listed. In the event of error or discrepancy in the mathematics, the unit price shall prevail.

Delivery Date: Bidders shall state delivery date on all order.

F.O.B Point: All prices of item(s) shall be quoted FOB City of Stephenville destination.

The City of Stephenville reserves the right to award this bid in whole or in part.

It is desirable that bids are accompanied by two sets of specifications to support items bid. The City of Stephenville reserves the right to determine specification requirements on all items bid.

**Eligible Bidder:** Bidders are limited to those persons or firms qualified and engaged in a full time business and can assume liabilities for any performance or warranty service required.

**Nonresident-Reciprocal Bid Act:** You are advised the City of Stephenville, Texas is bound by House Bill 620. The law provides that in order to be awarded a contract as low bidder, non-resident bidders (out-of-state contractors whose corporate office or principal place of business is outside the State of Texas) bid projects in Texas at an amount lower than the lowest Texas resident bidder by the same amount that a Texas resident bidder would be required to underbid a non-resident bidder in order to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the non-resident's principal place of business is located. After making that determination you are instructed to advise the Purchasing Department in writing of that fact with a copy of the applicable state statute.

Based on local government code 252.043, the contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder **OR** to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the municipality. Therefore price is not the only consideration in the bid award.

By signing this bid, Vendor hereby certifies that it is not a company identified on the Texas Comptroller's list of companies known to have contracts with, or provide supplies or services to, a foreign organization designated as a Foreign Terrorist Organization by the U.S. Secretary of State. Vendor further certifies and verifies that neither Vendor, nor any affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of Vendor, if any (the "Vendor Companies"), boycotts Israel, and Vendor agrees that the Vendor and Vendor Companies will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "boycott" shall mean and include terminating business activities or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli controlled territory.

Please be advised that Stephenville does not receive courier services before 10:30 a.m.

**INVITATION TO BID**  
**FOOD SERVICE AND RETAIL FOOD SERVICE INSPECTION**

1. The City of Stephenville is seeking to enter into a contract with a qualified inspector/inspection firm for the purpose of inspecting food service and retail food service establishments. This contract shall run from October 1, 2024, until September 30, 2025. The City of Stephenville reserves the right to renew the contract for an additional one (1) year.

- I. Scope of Work

The inspector will provide a pre-opening inspections, semi-annually – unannounced inspections and complaint investigations of all food service establishments, retail food service establishments, mobile food service and temporary food service establishments in the corporate limits of the City of Stephenville. Approximately 180 establishments will be inspected in accordance with applicable State statutes and city ordinances.

Inspections must be completed electronically utilizing electronic inspection forms. The inspections should adhere to the Texas Food Establishment Rules and inspection forms should closely resemble the templates of the TFER and those of the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Inspections shall be submitted electronically to Development Services as conducted. Invoicing shall occur monthly.

- II. Statement of Qualifications

The City of Stephenville is seeking to contract with an individual or firm\* that is qualified to conduct said inspections in accordance with Texas Administrative Code, Title 25 Health Services, Part 1 Department of Health Services; Chapter 228 Retail Food; Subchapter I Compliance; Rule §228.250 Competency of Inspectors and Access. Individuals must be a Registered Professional Sanitarian in Texas and will be required to supply a copy of their license upon award of bid.

\*Please provide with your bid, resumes of all personnel who will be performing inspection services. Failure to comply will void the bid.

- III. Evaluation Criteria

The bids received will be evaluated according to experience, availability to perform inspections in a timely manner, and inspection fee.

- IV. Submission of Bids and Questions

Please submit your bids to the following:

Rebecca Crosson, Purchasing Manager, 298 W. Washington, Stephenville, TX 76401.

All questions regarding this Invitation to Bid should be directed to:

Steve Killen, Director of Development Services, 298 W. Washington, Stephenville, Texas 76401 at 254-918-1222.

**CITY OF STEPHENVILLE  
BID SHEET – ITB 3329**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
1	Routine Inspections (each)	\$ _____
2	Pre-Opening Inspections (each)	\$ _____
3	Complaint Inspections (each)	\$ _____
4	Mobile Food Service Inspections (each)	\$ _____
5	Temporary Food Service Inspections (each)	\$ _____
6	Re-Inspections (each)	\$ _____

Name of Company:



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Address:

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City, State:

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Phone Number:

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Fax Number:

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Authorized Representative: Printed Name

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Authorized Representative: Signature

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Date

**This bid must be manually signed by a person having the authority to bind the company in a contract. Failure to sign this bid will result in a disqualification.**