



## **VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES**

### **Department of Public Works**

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#### **BID DOCUMENTS**

**for:**

#### **NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT**

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**BID OPENING DATE:**        **JANUARY 30, 2026**

**BID OPENING TIME:**        **10:00 a.m.**

**BID DEPOSIT:**                Cashier's/Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of 10%  
of proposed cost (required)

**PERFORMANCE BOND:**    100% of total bid award (upon award of contract)

**PRE-BID MEETING:**        January 08, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. (mandatory)

*PREPARED BY*  
*Village of Hoffman Estates*  
*Department of Public Works*  
*2305 Pembroke Avenue, Hoffman Estates IL. 60169*  
*847.490.6800*

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# HOFFMAN ESTATES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Prospective Bidder,

The Village of Hoffman Estates is now soliciting bids for the upgrade of the Monument Sign at the NOW Arena located at 5333 Prairie Stone Pkwy, Hoffman Estates, IL 60192. On behalf of our residents, I appreciate your interest in participating in the bid process. I call your special attention to the Instructions to Bidders section of the attached bid documents. Please be sure that you read thoroughly and fully understand these instructions prior to the preparation of your bid. Note that instructions call for no deviation from the bid specifications except for those deviations which are listed as such on the vendor's bid detail sheet, and which are expressly approved as part of the Village's acceptance of the bid.

All of the equipment described in the bid notice and specified herewith must meet the performance required for heavy duty municipal, utility, or construction type usage. Unless denoted "No Substitution", the Village minimum required specifications may be exceeded. This is an attempt to ensure the non-exclusion of any manufacturer's product from the bid effort. Remember, however, to list all deviations and provide a description of the upgraded item in the proper space provided. Minimum specification requirements must be met or exceeded.

**Please note the following:**

- a) A Cashier's/Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of 10% of proposed cost is required.
- b) A performance bond is required from the successful bidder using the performance bond template in this document. (See special provisions)

The Village reserves the right to reject and/or award any and all bids or parts thereof and to waive formalities and technicalities according to the best interests of the Village.

If you have any questions with regards to these bid documents, please contact William Lynch, Superintendent of Facilities and Arena Maintenance, [William.Lynch@vohe.org](mailto:William.Lynch@vohe.org) or 847.490.6800.

Sincerely,

Bryan Ackerlund  
Assistant Director of Public Works

VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
**NOTICE TO BID**

The Village of Hoffman Estates Department of Public Works is soliciting bids, as described in these documents, for:

**NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT**

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Hoffman Estates (1900 Hassell Road) Cook County, Illinois, until **January 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** All bids will be publicly opened immediately thereafter.

It is the responsibility of the bidder to meet the specified opening time; and any bid not so received will be returned unopened. Bids must be identified as such on the outside of the sealed envelope. This can be done by marking the envelope "SEALED BID" and with the following information:

Company's Name

Company Address

Name of Bid                    **"NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT"**

Date and Time of Bid Opening                    **January 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

Specifications and complete bid documents may be obtained from the Office of the Village Clerk or website. Further information regarding this bid may be obtained by contacting William Lynch, Superintendent of Facilities and Arena Maintenance, at [William.Lynch@vohe.org](mailto:William.Lynch@vohe.org).

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the job site located at the NOW Arena, 5333 Prairie Stone Pkwy, Hoffman Estates, IL 60192 on January 08, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

The Village of Hoffman Estates strongly encourages minority firms and women's business enterprises to apply. If subcontracts are to be let, the primary contractor shall take these same affirmative steps to solicit bids from minority and women's firms.

The Village reserves the right to reject and/or award any and all bids, or parts thereof, and to waive formalities and technicalities according to the best interest of the Village.

By the Order of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoffman Estates.

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patty Richter, Village Clerk

TO BE PUBLISHED ON \_\_\_\_\_ PADDOCK PUBLICATIONS  
(DATE)

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED**

**RETURN WITH BID**

**VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
BID CERTIFICATE FORM**

RE: Certification of bidder, compliance with the Illinois Criminal Code

I/We hereby certify that, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of bidding firm) by bidding on this contract, no action has occurred that would result in a violation of 720 ILCS 5/33E, Public Contracts of the Illinois Criminal Code.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ (Notary Public)

Commission Expiry: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SEAL)

**THIS FORM IS MANDATORY.**

**PLEASE INCLUDE THREE COPIES OF THIS FORM WITH YOUR BID DOCUMENTS.**

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM CERTIFICATE**  
**RETURN WITH BID**

The undersigned, upon being first duly sworn, hereby certifies to the Village of Hoffman Estates that the undersigned has in place a written Substance Abuse Prevention Program that meets or exceeds the requirements of the State of Illinois P.A. 095-0635, or has a collective bargaining agreement in effect dealing with the subject matter of P.A. 095-0635. The Contractor and Subcontractors will file a copy of the Substance Abuse Prevention Program, or collective bargaining agreement, with the Client prior to any work being conducted on the project.

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(Name of Contractor)

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(Title)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Notary Public)

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(SEAL)

**THIS FORM IS MANDATORY.**

**PLEASE INCLUDE THREE COPIES OF THIS FORM WITH YOUR BID DOCUMENTS.**



# HOFFMAN ESTATES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

## CONTRACT

1. THIS AGREEMENT, made and concluded the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ (month, year) between the Village of Hoffman Estates, acting by and through its Mayor and Board of Trustees, known as the party of the first part, and \_\_\_\_\_ (name of firm), their executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, known as the party of the second part.
2. Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of the payments and agreements mentioned in the Bid/Proposal Documents hereto attached, to be made and performed by the party of the first part, and according to the terms expressed in the Bond referring to these presents, the party of the second part agrees with said party of the first part at his/their own proper cost and expense to do all the work, furnish all materials and all labor necessary to complete the work in accordance with the plans and specifications hereinafter described, and in full compliance with all of the terms of this agreement and the requirements of the Village Representative under it.
3. The party of the second part agrees to abide by all OSHA, IDOL, and MUTCD safety requirements and all laws and statutes of the State of Illinois including but not limited to the Prevailing Wage Act (if applicable). Prevailing rates of wages are revised by the Illinois Department of Labor and are available on the Department's official website.
4. And it is also understood and agreed that the Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Specifications, Scope of Services, Site Maps, and Contract Proposal hereto attached are essential documents of this contract and are a part hereof.
5. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have executed these presents on the date above mentioned.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk  
(Seal Below)

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

The Village of Hoffman Estates

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Party of the First Part  
*(If a corporation)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Corporate Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
President, Party of the Second Part  
*(If a Co-Partnership)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Partner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Partner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Doing business under the firm name,  
Party of the Second Part  
*(If an individual)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Party of the Second Part

**THIS CONTRACT FORM IS MANDATORY.**

**PLEASE INCLUDE THREE SIGNED COPIES WITH YOUR BID DOCUMENTS.**

**VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
PERFORMANCE SURETY BOND FORM**

<b>BOND NO.</b>	<b>DATE BOND EXECUTED:</b>
<b>PRINCIPAL:</b>	<b>BOND AMOUNT: (written out &amp; numerically)</b>
<b>CO-PRINCIPAL(S):</b>	<b>CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:</b>
<b>SURETY(IES):</b>	<b>PROJECT:</b>



KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the Principal(s) and Surety(ies) hereto, recite and declare that:

1. We are held and firmly bound to the obligee Village of Hoffman Estates, Illinois (hereinafter called "Village"), in the sum written above in lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid to the Village, its successors or assigns, for the payment whereof Principal(s), Co-Principals and Surety(ies) bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by this Bond.

2. The condition of this Bond is that if the Principal shall in every respect perform all of its obligations under the Contract Documents identified above, which Contract Documents are incorporated herein by reference, then this Bond shall be void; otherwise, the Bond shall continuously remain in full force and effect until released by the Village. Contract Documents shall also include any contracts, annexation agreements, development agreements, plats, zoning approvals, engineering plans, site plans or other Village documents associated with the Project, including any laws, ordinances or governmental regulations related to the Project.

3. Surety waives all of its surety defenses including, but not limited to, the following:

a) It shall be the duty of the Principal to notify the Surety of any revision of the plans, profiles and specifications referred to in the Contract Documents. The Surety expressly waives any right to receive notice from the obligee or to review or approve any revisions to the plans, profiles and specifications referred to in the Contract Documents which are required to meet governmental standards. No such revisions of any kind in the work shall in any way affect the obligation of the Surety under this Bond;

b) The addition or reduction in subdivision lots or area to those shown in the original plat of subdivision, site plan or construction plan referred to in the Development Document shall in no way affect the obligation of the Surety under this Bond;

c) Any extension of time beyond the period provided for in the Development Document for completion of its obligations under the Agreement shall in no way affect the obligation of the Surety under this Bond;

d) The failure or refusal of Village to take any action, proceeding, or steps to enforce any remedy or exercise any right under the Development Document, or that taking of any action, proceeding, or step by Village, acting in good faith upon the belief that same is permitted by the provisions of the Contract Documents, shall not in any way release

Principal or Surety, or either of them, or their respective executors, administrators, successors, or assigns, from liability under this Bond. Surety hereby waives notice of any amendment, indulgence made, granted or permitted;

e) The Principal, Co-Principal and Surety intend that each provision of this Bond be valid and binding upon them and expressly agree to abide thereby;

f) In the event of a default of this Bond, the Village may terminate whatever rights Principal, Co-Principal and/or Surety may have to perform further work on the Project.

g) The requirement of any other entity to perform any obligations contained in the Contract Documents shall in no way affect the obligations of the Surety under this Bond.

Default:

A default shall be deemed to have occurred on the part of the Principal if Principal shall fail to complete its obligations under the Contract Documents within the time set forth therein or any extensions thereof; or, prior to the expiration of such period, if in the sole judgment of the Village, the Principal has:

1) abandoned the performance of its obligations under the Contract Documents; or

2) renounced or repudiated its obligations under the Contract Documents; or

3) clearly demonstrated through insolvency, or otherwise, that its obligations under the Contract Documents cannot be completed within the time allotted under the Contract Documents.

b) If the Principal defaults in the performance of all or any part of the obligations specified in the Contract Documents, the Village shall give written notice of the default to the Surety, with a copy to the Principal and Co-Principal, if any. In the event of such default and notice, Surety shall, within 45 days of receipt of the default notice, give written notice to the Village stating whether Surety will assume the Development Document obligations and the obligations of the Principal, and should it elect to assume said obligations, Surety shall be required to complete the obligations specified in the Contract Documents according to its terms and provisions within 180 days of said notice, but not before expiration of the period provided for under the Contract Documents and approved extensions thereof. In the event that Surety elects to assume the obligations of Principal as provided herein and thereafter fails to faithfully perform all or any part of the work, or should it unnecessarily delay all or any part of the work, then the Village may proceed as provided in Paragraph No. 5 of this Bond.

5. Should Surety following notice of default

notify the Village that Surety elects not to assume the obligations of Principal under the Contract Documents, or fails within 45 days of receipt of the default notice as provided in Paragraph No. 4b) above to notify the Village whether Surety elects to assume the obligations of Principal under the Contract Documents, or having elected to assume the obligations of Principal, should it then fail to perform, then in any event the Village may elect any of the following procedures or any combination thereof:

a) Terminate whatever rights the Principal, Co-Principal and/or Surety may have to perform further work on the Project;

b) Take over or relet all or any part of the work under the Contract Documents which is not completed and complete the same for the account and at the expense of the Principal and Surety, who shall be jointly and severally liable to Village for the costs incurred in completion of the obligations under the Contract Documents and/or correction thereof. Such costs as identified in the Contract Documents shall include, but not be limited to, construction, engineering, surveying, maintenance, donations, impact fees, deterioration, administration, supervision, reasonable attorney's fees, and any costs associated or related to any litigation of the Bond agreement and shall be adjusted for inflation. The amount of Village's actual costs for completion and/or correction of the work required under the Contract Documents shall be conclusive of the extent of the liability of Principal and Surety and may exceed the Bond Amount;

c) Require the Surety to pay the Bond Amount to the Village as liquidated damages.

6. Should Surety, following notice of default notify the Village within 45 days of the receipt of the default notice choose to pay the Village for completion of the obligation under the Contract Documents, the Surety shall have the right to demand that the Village state a sum constituting the estimated costs at that time, of completion and/or correction of the work required under the Contract Documents, such as costs as defined in Paragraph No. 5b). Surety shall then immediately pay over to the Village the sum so stated and be released from any further obligations under this Bond. If funds are paid over under this section and the paid over funds are not sufficient to complete the work, the Village's sole remedy shall be to proceed against the Principal(s) and Co-Principals for any deficiency. If there are any paid over funds not necessary for completion of the work, the Village will return the excess to Surety after completion of the work.

7. If any action or proceeding is initiated in connection with this Bond and any and all obligations arising hereunder the venue thereof shall be in State Court in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, it is further understood and agreed that this contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, both as to interpretation and performance.

8. All notices sent to the Principal(s), Co-Principals, and Surety(ies) shall be sent to the address set forth on the signature page unless said Principal(s), Co-Principal(s) and Surety(ies) notify the Village in writing of any change. If the addresses of any of the Principal(s), Co-Principal(s) and Surety(ies) change, the Principal(s), Co-Principal(s) or Surety(ies) shall immediately notify the Village in writing of such change. Failure to notify the Village of any change in address is deemed to be a waiver of any requirement for notice under this Bond to the Principal(s), Co-Principal(s) or Surety(ies). All written notices to the Village required under the Bond shall be sent certified mail to the Village Clerk.

9. If any one or more of the provisions of this Bond are determined to be illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions shall remain effective.

10. No party other than the Village shall have any rights under this Bond as against the Surety.

11. As part of the obligation secured hereby and in addition the Bond Amount specified herein, there shall be included costs, interest and reasonable expenses and fees (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and costs), incurred by the Village in enforcing this agreement, to be awarded by the court.

12. Nonpayment of the premiums associated with this Bond will not invalidate this Bond nor shall Village be obligated for the payment thereof. Surety agrees to deliver written notice of non-payment under this Bond or other actions to the Village.

13. Surety waives its right to trial by jury.

**VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
PERFORMANCE SURETY BOND FORM**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be signed and sealed as of the day and year set forth above.

**PRINCIPAL**

Type of Organization:

Legal Name of Organization:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature(s):

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

(Type name and title)

\_\_\_\_\_

(Type name and title)

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL(S)**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_:

COUNTY/CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for the State and County/City  
aforesaid, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ whose name is signed to the foregoing bond, this day personally appeared  
before me in my State and County/City aforesaid and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Surety: \_\_\_\_\_

Bond No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**CO-PRINCIPAL(S)**

Type of Organization:

Legal Name of Organization:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature(s):

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type name and title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type name and title)

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CO-PRINCIPAL(S)**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_:

COUNTY/CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for the State and County/City  
aforesaid, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ whose name is signed to the foregoing bond, this day personally appeared  
before me in my State and County/City aforesaid and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Surety: \_\_\_\_\_

Bond No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**CORPORATE SURETY**

Type of Organization:

Legal Name and Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Liability Limit:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature(s):

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type name and title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type name and title)

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORPORATE SURETY(S)**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_:  
COUNTY/CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Notary Public in and for the State and County/City  
aforesaid, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ whose name is signed to the foregoing bond, this day personally appeared  
before me in my State and County/City aforesaid and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.  
My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY PUBLIC

Surety: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bond No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
BID PROPOSAL FORM**

**“NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT”**

The undersigned, having examined all documents related to this proposal and having become familiar with the extent, nature, and local conditions affecting the cost and performance or the proposed work, hereby proposes to furnish all professional services, supervision, labor, equipment, and materials and to perform the work herein described at the proposal prices as included in this document. It is understood that the Village reserves the right to reject all proposals (including alternate proposals) and to waive any technicalities.

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Name of Bid: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Section	Description	Bid Values
1	Remove and dispose of existing display panels	\$ _____
2	Modifications to existing monument structure and cladding	\$ _____
3	East and West LED Display Panels (Material and Installation)	\$ _____
4	15 years LED parts support and 6% attic stock for LED panels	\$ _____

5	Lifetime software updates and/or upgrades	\$
6	15 years of cellular connection (P2P)	\$
7	Three (3) years of on-site labor warranty	\$
<b>TOTAL BASE BID (Sum all Sections 1 through 7)</b>		<b>\$</b>

Identify any subcontractors required for the execution of the scope of work. Each subcontractor shall complete References pages 15 and 16. Bidder shall include "Subcontractor References" in addition to Bidders References.

Identify any specialty subcontractors Bidder intends to hire in support of the Bid scope of work.

Trade	Sub-Contractor Company (Name, Address, Phone Number, Contact)	Scope Section and Dollar Value

Approximate number of weeks after notice to proceed to start construction: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks.  
Approximate number of weeks to achieve substantial completion of construction: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks.

NOTE: all proposed work under the terms of this bid must be completed on or before May 01, 2026, unless delayed by supply chain constraints.

**Information on this Form (pages 13 and 14) is mandatory.**  
**Please include three copies of this form with your bid documents.**

**NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT**

**REFERENCES**

BIDDER NOTE: List SIX (6) references where services like have been performed of comparable scope. Like-services would include other municipalities, park districts, county and state agencies, major event venues, universities, large companies, etc. **Active references are mandatory.**

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROXIMATE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Information on this Form (pages 15 and 16) is mandatory.**  
**If Bidder intends to hire subcontractors each subcontractor must provide required references.**

## VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

The general rules and conditions which follow apply to all bids requested and accepted by the Village of Hoffman Estates unless otherwise specified. Bidders are expected to fully inform themselves as to the conditions, requirements, and specifications prior to submitting bids. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's own risk. By submitting a bid, it is assumed by the Village that the vendor has familiarized themselves with all conditions and intends to comply with them unless otherwise noted.

### FORMS

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided, complete and intact, properly signed in ink in the appropriate spaces, and submitted in a sealed envelope. All bids must be delivered to the Village Clerk, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL. 60169 prior to the bid opening date and time published on the cover of this bid packet. Bidders should reference the Notice to Bid for instructions on preparing their bid proposal.

### ALTERNATE/MULTIPLE BIDS

The specifications contained within this bid packet are not intended to eliminate or exclude any bidder due to minor deviations, alternates, or changes. Bidders that desire to deviate from these specifications in their proposal are permitted to submit alternate/multiple bids. However, alternate bids must be clearly indicated as such with deviations from the applicable specifications clearly noted. The bid must be accompanied by complete specifications for the items offered. Any questions regarding the specifications, drawings, etc. shall be referred to that individual so referenced in the Specifications section. Vendors wishing to submit a secondary bid must do so as an alternate bid. Only one bid will be accepted per envelope.

The Village shall be the sole and final judge unequivocally as to whether any substitute is of sufficient quality. This decision is final and will not be subject to recourse by any person, firm, or corporation.

### RECEIVING OF BIDS

Bids received prior to the time of opening will be securely kept unopened. The Village Clerk, whose duty it is to open them, will decide when the specified time has arrived. No bid received thereafter will be considered. No responsibility will be assumed by the Village or the Village Clerk for premature or non-opening of bids not properly addressed and identified, except otherwise provided by law.

### LATE BIDS

Bids arriving after the specified time, whether sent by mail, courier, or in person, will not be accepted. These bids will either be refused or returned unopened. It is the Bidder's responsibility for timely delivery of bid proposals. Mailed bids which are delivered after the specified time will not be accepted regardless of post marked time on the envelope.

### BIDS BY FAX

Bids transmitted by fax will not be accepted, nor will the Village transmit bid documents to prospective bidders by way of fax machine.

### ERROR IN BIDS

When an error is made in extending total prices, the unit bid price will govern. Otherwise, the Bidder will not be relieved from errors in bid preparation. Erasures in bids must be explained over signature of Bidder.

## WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

A written request for the withdrawal of a bid, or any part thereof, may be granted if the request is received by the Village Clerk prior to the specified time of opening. After opening, the Bidder cannot withdraw or cancel their bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days or such longer time as stated in the bid documents.

## CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

No bid will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person, firm, or corporation that is in arrears or default to the Village upon any debt or contract, or that is a defaulter upon any obligation to the Village, or had failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with the Village. If requested, the Bidder shall present, within 48 hours, evidence satisfactory to the Village of performance ability and possession of necessary facilities, pecuniary resources, and adequate insurance to comply with the terms of these specifications and contract documents.

## PRICES

Unit prices shall be shown for each unit on which there is a bid and shall include all equipment, fuel charges, packing, crating, freight, and shipping/unloading charges unless otherwise stated in this bid packet. Unit prices shall not include any local, state, or federal taxes. The Village is exempt, by law, from paying State and Village Retailer's Occupation Tax, State Service Occupation Tax, and Federal Excise Tax. The Village will supply the successful bidder with the current tax exempt number.

Cash discounts will not be considered in determining contract price but may be used in the overall evaluation of bids.

## AWARD OR REJECTION OF BIDS

The Village reserves the right to award and/or reject any and all bids, or parts thereof, and to waive formalities and technicalities in the best interest of the Village. Any bid submitted will be binding for sixty (60) days subsequent to the date of the bid opening.

Bidders shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding the supplies and/or services to be furnished in accordance with this bid. No plea of ignorance by the Bidder of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of the Bidder's failure to make the necessary examinations and investigations will be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the Village of the compensation to the Bidder. **Any exceptions not taken by the Bidder shall be assumed by the Village to be included.**

A contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder complying with the conditions of the contract documents only when it is in the best interest of the Village to accept such a bid. The Village shall be the sole judge of compliance with the specifications and reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids or parts thereof.

## PAYMENT

Payment will be made within thirty (30) days after acceptance of the equipment or services by the Village representative and Bidder's compliance with all stipulations relating to the bid/contract.

## REQUIREMENTS OF BIDDER

The successful bidder shall, within ten (10) days after notification of award: enter into a contract, in writing, with the Village covering all matters as are set forth in the specifications of this bid; and carry insurance acceptable to the Village covering public liability, property damage, and workmen's compensation.

## COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS

All work under contract must be executed in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations.

## CONTRACT ALTERATIONS

No amendment of a contract shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the Village Manager or their authorized designee.

## NOTICES

All notices required by the contractor shall be given in writing.

## NON-ASSIGNABILITY

The contractor shall not assign the contract, or any part thereof, to any other person, firm, or corporation without the previous written consent of the Village Manager or their authorized designee. Such assignment shall not relieve the contractor from their obligations or change the terms of the contract.

## INDEMNITY

The contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the Village, its officers, and its employees from any and all liability, losses, or damages, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, the Village may suffer as a result of claims, demands, suits, actions, or proceedings of any kind of nature, including workers' compensation claims, in any way resulting from or arising out of the operations of the contractor under this contract, including operations of subcontractors; and the contractor shall, at their own expense, appear, defend, and pay all fees of attorneys and all costs and other expenses arising therefrom or incurred in connection therewith; and, if any judgments shall be rendered against the Village in any such action, the contractor shall, at their own expense, satisfy and discharge same. The contractor expressly understands and agrees that any performance bond or insurance protection required by the contract, or otherwise provided by the contractor, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless, and defend the Village as herein provided.

## EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of the contract and/or supplying of materials, equipment, and supplies, the Bidder must be in full compliance with all provisions of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois relating to employment, including equal opportunity requirements.

## REQUIRED INSURANCE

In submission of a bid, the Bidder is certifying that they have all insurance coverages required by law or would normally be expected for Bidder's type of business. In addition, the Bidder is certifying that they have at least the following insurance coverage:

<u>Type of Insurance</u>	<u>Occurrence</u>	<u>Aggregate</u>
GENERAL LIABILITY		
Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000
Property Damage	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000
Contractual Insurance – Broad Form	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000

#### AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

Bodily Injury	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Property Damage	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

This insurance must include non-owned, hired, or rented vehicles, as well as owned vehicles.

#### WORKMEN’S COMPENSATION AND OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES

Statutory for Illinois

Employer’s Liability Coverage	\$1,000,000 per accident
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**NOTE:** the specifications may require higher limits or additional types of insurance coverages than shown above. The contractor will be required to furnish a certificate proof of insurance coverages.

The Bidder further agrees to indemnify the Village and save it harmless against and from all loss, damage, expense, liability, or claim of liability arising out of the performance of the contractor, any subcontractors, or their employees in connection with the contract. Contracts and subcontractors are to grant the Village an “additionally insured” status on all applicable insurance policies and provide the Village with original endorsements affecting coverage required by this clause. Said policies will not be canceled unless the Village is provided a thirty (30) day written notice. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Village or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation, claim administration, and defense expenses. Nothing contained in the insurance requirement shall be construed as limiting the extent of the contractor’s responsibilities for payment of damages resulting from operations under this agreement.

#### BID PERFORMANCE DEPOSIT

When it is required, it will be so stated elsewhere within this bid package along with the amount required. In all cases where a deposit is required, it must accompany the bid. The deposit is to be in the form of a bid bond or certified/cashier’s check. All bid performance deposit checks will be retained by the Village until the bid award is made, at which time the checks will be promptly returned to the unsuccessful bidders. The bid performance deposit check of the successful bidder will be retained until the goods or services have been received or completed/installed and found to be in compliance with the specification or until surety bonding requirements have been satisfied and proof of insurance coverage is provided in accordance with the Special Provisions section of these specifications.

## ACCEPTANCE

After acceptance and award of the bid, and upon receipt of a written purchase order executed by the proper officials of the Village, this instruction to bidders, and all other portions of the bid documents, including specifications, will constitute part of the legal contract between the Village of Hoffman Estates and the successful bidder.

## DEFAULT

The Village may terminate a contract by written notice of default to the contractor if:

- a. The contractor fails to make delivery of the materials or perform the services within the time specified in the proposal.
- b. The contractor fails to make progress so as to endanger performance of the contract.
- c. The contractor fails to provide or maintain, in full force and effect, the liability and indemnification coverages or performance bond as is required.

If the Village terminates the contract, the Village may procure supplies or services similar to those so terminated, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Village for any excess costs for similar supplies and services, unless the Contractor provides acceptable evidence that failure to perform the contract was due to causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Wherever special conditions /requirements are written into the Specifications or Special Provisions which conflict with conditions stated in these instructions to bidders, the conditions stated in the Specifications or Special Provisions/Requirements shall take precedence.

## PERMITS AND LICENSES

The successful bidder shall obtain, at their own expense, all permits and licenses which may be required to complete the contract (where applicable).

## GENERAL GUARANTY

Neither the final certificate of payment nor any provision in the contract nor partial or entire use of the equipment embraced in this contract by the Village or the Public shall constitute an acceptance of work not done in accordance with the contract or relieve the Contractor of liability in respect to any express warranties or responsibility for failure to comply with the terms of those Contract Documents.

It is expressly agreed by the parties hereto that in the event any defects or imperfections in the materials or workmanship to be furnished by the Contractor herein appear within the period of one year from the date of completion of all the work mentioned herein and acceptance thereof by the Village of Hoffman Estates, the Contractor will, upon notice from the said Village (which notice may be given by letter to said Contractor to the business address of the Contractor shown in the Proposal), repair and make good at his own cost any such defects or imperfections and replace any defective or imperfect materials or workmanship with other materials or workmanship satisfactory to said Village, and furnish all such new materials and labor as may be necessary to do so; and in the event of the failure, refusal or delay of said workmanship or materials said Village may do so or have same done by others, and said Contractor and surety or sureties on their bond given for the faithful performance of this contract shall be liable to the Village of Hoffman Estates for all damages and expenses occasioned by such failure, refusal or delay.

## MINIMUM WAGES

All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractors and Subcontractors on construction work for this project shall be paid wages at rates no less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a-276a-5), and shall receive overtime compensation in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333), and the Contractors and Subcontractors shall comply with all regulations issued pursuant to these Acts and with other applicable Federal laws and regulations pertaining to labor standards. The Secretary of Labor has, with respect to the labor standards specified in this Section, the 1950 (5 U.S.C. 133z-15) and Section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276c).

No less than the prevailing wage shall be paid for labor on the work to be done as required by law.

## HIRING OF ILLINOIS WORKERS

The Illinois Department of Labor provided notice that due to the high unemployment rate caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act, 30 ILCS 570/3, will take effect beginning July 1, 2020. The state law requires the workforce on all public works projects to be comprised of a minimum of 90% Illinois residents.

If Illinois' rate of unemployment falls below 5%, this statute will no longer be in effect.

(30 ILCS 570/3) (from Ch. 48, par. 2203)

Sec. 3. Employment of Illinois laborers. Whenever there is a period of excessive unemployment in Illinois, if a person or entity is charged with the duty, either by law or contract, of (1) constructing or building any public works, as defined in this Act, or (2) the clean-up and on-site disposal of hazardous waste for the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State, and that clean-up or on-site disposal is funded or financed in whole or in part with State funds or funds administered by the State of Illinois, then that person or entity shall employ at least 90% Illinois laborers on such project. Any public works project financed in whole or in part by federal funds administered by the State of Illinois is covered under the provisions of this Act, to the extent permitted by any applicable federal law or regulation. Every public works contract let by any such person shall contain a provision requiring that such labor be used: Provided, that other laborers may be used when Illinois laborers as defined in this Act are not available, or are incapable of performing the particular type of work involved, if so certified by the contractor and approved by the contracting officer. (Source: P.A. 96-929, eff. 6-16-10.)

## ILLINOIS WORKS JOBS PROGRAM ACT APPRENTICESHIP INITIATIVE

Pursuant to the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act, 30 ILCS 559/20-1 et seq., for public works projects estimated to cost \$500,000 or more, the goal of the Illinois Works Apprenticeship Initiative is that apprentices will perform either 10% of the total hours worked in each prevailing wage classification or 10% of the estimated labor hours in each prevailing wage classification, whichever is less.

For projects with an estimated total project cost of \$500,000 or more and for which 50% or more of the project is being funded by appropriated capital funds, the 10% apprenticeship goal applies to all prevailing wage eligible work on the project. For projects receiving \$500,000 or more of appropriated capital funds but for which the appropriated capital funds are less than half of the total project costs, the 10% apprenticeship goal only applies to prevailing wage eligible work being funded by the appropriated capital funds. The 10% apprenticeship goal does not apply to projects with an estimated total project cost of less

than \$500,000 or to projects with an estimated total project cost of \$500,000 or more but for which the appropriated capital funds for the project are both less than \$500,000 and less than 50% of the estimated total project costs.

## BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

All bidders must submit the following information on or before the time at which the proposal is required to be submitted:

- a. The location and description of the Bidder's permanent place of business.
- b. Evidence of ability to provide an efficient and adequate plan for executing the work.
- c. A list of similar projects carried out by the Bidder.
- d. A list of projects the Bidder presently has under contract.
- e. Any additional evidence tending to show that the Bidder is adequately prepared to fulfill the contract.

## BID CERTIFICATION FORM

All bid submittals must include a signed Bid Certification Form (copy included within this document) certifying that Bidder is in compliance with Section 33E-3 or 33E-4 of the Illinois Criminal Code of 1961 regarding bid rigging/rotating.

Illinois State Law Article 33E-3 and 33E-4 states that it is unlawful to participate in bid rigging and/or rotating. State law further states that it is unlawful to award a contract to any individual or entity that is delinquent in the payment of any tax administered by the Department of Revenue unless the individual or entity is contesting the amount and/or liability through proper procedures. Therefore, all bidders must certify that they are not barred from bidding on the contract as a result of a violation of State Law 33E-3 and 33E-4, prohibiting bid rigging and/or rotation, and that the bidder is not delinquent in the payment of any tax, unless it is contests in accordance with the procedures established by the appropriate revenue act. It is necessary that this be done under oath; therefore, **the form included with bid submittals must be notarized.**

## DEVIATIONS

Unless denoted "no substitution", the Village's minimum required specifications may be exceeded. However, **vendors must list all specification deviations and provide a description and/or catalog sheet that fully describes that which they propose to furnish in lieu of the specification.** Final bid acceptance shall be based upon that bid deemed most favorable to the interests of the Village after all bids have been examined and canvassed.

## INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

Updating the database of the Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS) is an ongoing process. Recent laws may not yet be included in the ILCS database, but they are found on this site as Public Acts soon after they become law.

For information concerning the relationship between statutes and Public Acts, refer to the Guide.

Because the statute database is maintained primarily for legislative drafting purposes, statutory changes are sometimes included in the statute database before they take effect. If the source note at the end of a Section of the statutes includes a Public Act that has not yet taken effect, the version of the law that is currently in



effect may have already been removed from the database and you should refer to that Public Act to see the changes made to the current law.

## ARTICLE 33E. PUBLIC CONTRACTS (720 ILCS 5/Art. 33E heading)

### Sec. 33E-1. Interference with public contracting

It is the finding of the General Assembly that the cost to the public is increased and the quality of goods, services, and construction paid for by public monies is decreased when contracts for such goods, services, or construction are obtained by any means other than through independent non-collusive submission of bids or offers by individual contractors or suppliers, and the evaluation of those bids or offers by the governmental unit pursuant only to criteria as publicly announced in advance. (Source: P.A. 85-1295.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-1).

### Sec. 33E-2. Definitions

In this Act:

- a. "Public contract" means any contract for goods, services, or construction let to any person with or without bid by any unit of State or local government.
- b. "Unit of State or local government" means the State, any unit of state government or agency thereof, any county or municipal government or committee or agency thereof, or any other entity which is funded by or expends tax dollars or the proceeds of publicly guaranteed bonds.
- c. "Change order" means a change in a contract term other than as specifically provided for in the contract which authorizes or necessitates any increase or decrease in the cost of the contract or the time to completion.
- d. "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, joint venture or other entity, but does not include a unit of State or local government.
- e. "Person employed by any unit of State or local government" means any employee of a unit of State or local government and any person defined in subsection (d) who is authorized by such unit of State or local government to act on its behalf in relation to any public contract.
- f. "Sheltered market" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 8b of the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act; except that, with respect to State contracts set aside for award to service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses pursuant to Section 45-57 of the Illinois Procurement Code, "sheltered market" means procurements pursuant to that Section.
- g. "Kickback" means any money, fee, commission, credit, gift, gratuity, thing of value, or compensation of any kind which is provided, directly or indirectly, to any prime contractor, prime contractor employee, subcontractor, or subcontractor employee for the purpose of improperly obtaining or rewarding favorable treatment in connection with a prime contract or in connection with a subcontract relating to a prime contract.
- h. "Prime contractor" means any person who has entered into a public contract.
- i. "Prime contractor employee" means any officer, partner, employee, or agent of a prime contractor.
- j. "Stringing" means knowingly structuring a contract or job order to avoid the contract or job order being subject to competitive bidding requirements.
- k. "Subcontract" means a contract or contractual action entered into by a prime contractor or subcontractor for the purpose of obtaining goods or services of any kind under a prime contract.
- l. "Subcontractor" (1) means any person, other than the prime contractor, who offers to furnish or furnishes any goods or services of any kind under a prime contract or a subcontract entered into in connection with such prime contract; and (2) includes any person who offers to furnish or furnishes goods or services to the prime contractor or a higher tier subcontractor.

m. "Subcontractor employee" means any officer, partner, employee, or agent of a subcontractor.

(Source: P.A. 100-391, eff. 8-25-17.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-2) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-2)

#### Sec. 33E-3. Bid-rigging

A person commits the offense of bid-rigging when he knowingly agrees with any person who is, or but for such agreement would be, a competitor of such person concerning any bid submitted or not submitted by such person or another to a unit of State or local government when with the intent that the bid submitted or not submitted will result in the award of a contract to such person or another and he either (1) provides such person or receives from another information concerning the price or other material term or terms of the bid which would otherwise not be disclosed to a competitor in an independent non-collusive submission of bids or (2) submits a bid that is of such a price or other material term or terms that he does not intend the bid to be accepted.

Bid-rigging is a Class 3 felony. Any person convicted of this offense or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as this offense shall be barred for 5 years from the date of conviction from contracting with any unit of State or local government. No corporation shall be barred from contracting with any unit of State or local government as a result of a conviction under this Section of any employee or agent of such corporation if the employee so convicted is no longer employed by the corporation and: (1) it has been finally adjudicated not guilty; or (2) if it demonstrates to the governmental entity with which it seeks to contract and that entity finds that the commission of the offense was neither authorized, requested, commanded, nor performed by a director, officer, or a high managerial agent on behalf of the corporation as provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 5-4 of this Code. (Source: P.A. 86-150.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-3) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-3)

#### Sec. 33E-4. Bid rotating

A person commits the offense of bid rotating when, pursuant to any collusive scheme or agreement with another, he engages in a pattern over time (which, for the purposes of this Section, shall include at least 3 contract bids within a period of 10 years, the most recent of which occurs after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1988) of submitting sealed bids to units of State or local government with the intent that the award of such bids rotates, or is distributed among, persons or business entities which submit bids on a substantial number of the same contracts. Bid rotating is a Class 2 felony. Any person convicted of this offense or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as this offense shall be permanently barred from contracting with any unit of State or local government. No corporation shall be barred from contracting with any unit of State or local government as a result of a conviction under this Section of any employee or agent of such corporation if the employee so convicted is no longer employed by the corporation and: (1) it has been finally adjudicated not guilty or (2) if it demonstrates to the governmental entity with which it seeks to contract and that entity finds that the commission of the offense was neither authorized, requested, commanded, nor performed by a director, officer, or a high managerial agent on behalf of the corporation as provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 5-4 of this Code. (Source: P.A. 86-150.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-4) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-4)

#### Sec. 33E-5. Acquisition or disclosure of bidding information by public official

- a. Any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government who knowingly opens a sealed bid at a time or place other than as specified in the invitation to bid or as otherwise designated by the State or unit of local government, or outside the presence of witnesses required by the applicable statute or ordinance, commits a Class 4 felony.

- b. Any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government who knowingly discloses to any interested person any information related to the terms of a sealed bid whether that information is acquired through a violation of subsection (a) or by any other means except as provided by law or necessary to the performance of such official's or employee's responsibilities relating to the bid, commits a Class 3 felony.
- c. It shall not constitute a violation of subsection (b) of this Section for any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government to make any disclosure to any interested person where such disclosure is also made generally available to the public.
- d. This Section only applies to contracts let by sealed bid.

(Source: P.A. 86-150.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-5) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-5)

#### Sec. 33E-6. Interference with contract submission and award by public official

- a. Any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government who knowingly conveys, either directly or indirectly, outside of the publicly available official invitation to bid, pre-bid conference, solicitation for contracts procedure or such procedure used in any sheltered market procurement adopted pursuant to law or ordinance by that unit of government, to any person any information concerning the specifications for such contract or the identity of any particular potential subcontractors, when inclusion of such information concerning the specifications or contractors in the bid or offer would influence the likelihood of acceptance of such bid or offer, commits a Class 4 felony. It shall not constitute a violation of this subsection to convey information intended to clarify plans or specifications regarding a public contract where such disclosure of information is also made generally available to the public.
- b. Any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government who, either directly or indirectly, knowingly informs a bidder or offerer that the bid or offer will be accepted or executed only if specified individuals are included as subcontractors commits a Class 3 felony.
- c. It shall not constitute a violation of subsection (a) of this Section where any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government follows procedures established (i) by federal, State or local minority or female owned business enterprise programs or (ii) pursuant to Section 45-57 of the Illinois Procurement Code.
- d. Any bidder or offerer who is the recipient of communications from the unit of government which he reasonably believes to be proscribed by subsections (a) or (b), and fails to inform either the Attorney General or the State's Attorney for the county in which the unit of government is located, commits a Class A misdemeanor.
- e. Any public official who knowingly awards a contract based on criteria which were not publicly disseminated via the invitation to bid, when such invitation to bid is required by law or ordinance, the pre-bid conference, or any solicitation for contracts procedure or such procedure used in any sheltered market procurement procedure adopted pursuant to statute or ordinance, commits a Class 3 felony.
- f. It shall not constitute a violation of subsection (a) for any person who is an official of or employed by any unit of State or local government to provide to any person a copy of the transcript or other summary of any pre-bid conference where such transcript or summary is also made generally available to the public.

(Source: P.A. 97-260, eff. 8-5-11.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-6) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-6)

#### Sec. 33E-7. Kickbacks

- a. A person violates this Section when he knowingly either:
  - i. provides, attempts to provide or offers to provide any kickback;

- ii. solicits, accepts or attempts to accept any kickback; or
  - iii. includes, directly or indirectly, the amount of any kickback prohibited by paragraphs (1) or (2) of this subsection (a) in the contract price charged by a subcontractor to a prime contractor or a higher tier subcontractor or in the contract price charged by a prime contractor to any unit of State or local government for a public contract.
- b. Any person violates this Section when he has received an offer of a kickback, or has been solicited to make a kickback, and fails to report it to law enforcement officials, including but not limited to the Attorney General or the State's Attorney for the county in which the contract is to be performed.
- c. A violation of subsection (a) is a Class 3 felony. A violation of subsection (b) is a Class 4 felony.
- d. Any unit of State or local government may, in a civil action, recover a civil penalty from any person who knowingly engages in conduct which violates paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of this Section in twice the amount of each kickback involved in the violation. This subsection (d) shall in no way limit the ability of any unit of State or local government to recover monies or damages regarding public contracts under any other law or ordinance. A civil action shall be barred unless the action is commenced within 6 years after the later of (1) the date on which the conduct establishing the cause of action occurred or (2) the date on which the unit of State or local government knew or should have known that the conduct establishing the cause of action occurred.

(Source: P.A. 85-1295.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-7) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-7)

#### Sec. 33E-8. Bribery of inspector employed by contractor

- a. A person commits bribery of an inspector when he offers to any person employed by a contractor or subcontractor on any public project contracted for by any unit of State or local government any property or other thing of value with the intent that such offer is for the purpose of obtaining wrongful certification or approval of the quality or completion of any goods or services supplied or performed in the course of work on such project. Violation of this subsection is a Class 4 felony.
- b. Any person employed by a contractor or subcontractor on any public project contracted for by any unit of State or local government who accepts any property or other thing of value knowing that such was intentionally offered for the purpose of influencing the certification or approval of the quality or completion of any goods or services supplied or performed under subcontract to that contractor, and either before or afterwards issues such wrongful certification, commits a Class 3 felony. Failure to report such offer to law enforcement officials, including but not limited to the Attorney General or the State's Attorney for the county in which the contract is performed, constitutes a Class 4 felony.

(Source: P.A. 85-1295.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-8) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-8)

#### Sec. 33E-9. Change orders

Any change order authorized under this Section shall be made in writing. Any person employed by and authorized by any unit of State or local government to approve a change order to any public contract who knowingly grants that approval without first obtaining from the unit of State or local government on whose behalf the contract was signed, or from a designee authorized by that unit of State or local government, a determination in writing that (1) the circumstances said to necessitate the change in performance were not reasonably foreseeable at the time the contract was signed, or (2) the change is germane to the original contract as signed, or (3) the change order is in the best interest of the unit of State or local government and authorized by law, commits a Class 4 felony. The written determination and the written change order resulting from that determination shall be preserved in the contract's file which shall be open to the public for inspection. This Section shall only apply to a change order or series of change orders which authorize or necessitate an increase or decrease in either the cost of a public contract by a total of \$10,000 or more or

the time of completion by a total of 30 days or more. (Source: P.A. 86-150; 87-618.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-9) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-9)

#### Sec. 33E-10. Rules of evidence

- a. The certified bid is prima facie evidence of the bid.
- b. It shall be presumed that in the absence of practices proscribed by this Article 33E, all persons who submit bids in response to an invitation to bid by any unit of State or local government submit their bids independent of all other bidders, without information obtained from the governmental entity outside the invitation to bid, and in a good faith effort to obtain the contract.

(Source: P.A. 85-1295.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-10) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-10)

#### Sec. 33E-11

- a. Every bid submitted to and public contract executed pursuant to such bid by the State or a unit of local government shall contain a certification by the prime contractor that the prime contractor is not barred from contracting with any unit of State or local government as a result of a violation of either Section 33E-3 or 33E-4 of this Article. The State and units of local government shall provide the appropriate forms for such certification.
- b. A contractor who knowingly makes a false statement, material to the certification, commits a Class 3 felony.

(Source: P.A. 97-1108, eff. 1-1-13.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-11) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-11)

#### Sec. 33E-12

It shall not constitute a violation of any provisions of this Article for any person who is an official of or employed by a unit of State or local government to (1) disclose the name of any person who has submitted a bid in response to or requested plans or specifications regarding an invitation to bid or who has been awarded a public contract to any person or, (2) to convey information concerning acceptable alternatives or substitute to plans or specifications if such information is also made generally available to the public and mailed to any person who has submitted a bid in response to or requested plans or specifications regarding an invitation to bid on a public contract or, (3) to negotiate with the lowest responsible bidder a reduction in only the price term of the bid. (Source: P.A. 86-150.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-12) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-12)

#### Sec. 33E-13

Contract negotiations under the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act shall not be subject to the provisions of this Article. (Source: P.A. 87-855.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-13) (from Ch. 38, par. 33E-13)

#### Sec. 33E-14. False statements on vendor applications

- a. A person commits false statements on vendor applications when he or she knowingly makes any false statement or report with the intent to influence in any way the action of any unit of local government or school district in considering a vendor application.
- b. Sentence. False statements on vendor applications is a Class 3 felony.

(Source: P.A. 99-78, eff. 7-20-15.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-14)

Sec. 33E-15. False entries

- a. An officer, agent, or employee of, or anyone who is affiliated in any capacity with any unit of local government or school district commits false entries when he or she makes a false entry in any book, report, or statement of any unit of local government or school district with the intent to defraud the unit of local government or school district.
- b. Sentence. False entries is a Class 3 felony.

(Source: P.A. 97-1108, eff. 1-1-13.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-15)

Sec. 33E-16. Misapplication of funds

- a. An officer, director, agent, or employee of, or affiliated in any capacity with any unit of local government or school district commits misapplication of funds when he or she knowingly misapplies any of the moneys, funds, or credits of the unit of local government or school district.
- b. Sentence. Misapplication of funds is a Class 3 felony.

(Source: P.A. 97-1108, eff. 1-1-13.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-16)

Sec. 33E-17. Unlawful participation

Whoever, being an officer, director, agent, or employee of, or affiliated in any capacity with any unit of local government or school district participates, shares in, or receiving directly or indirectly any money, profit, property, or benefit through any contract with the unit of local government or school district, with the intent to defraud the unit of local government or school district is guilty of a Class 3 felony. (Source: P.A. 90-800, eff. 1-1-99.) (720 ILCS 5/33E-17)

Sec. 33E-18. Unlawful stringing of bids

- a. A person commits unlawful stringing of bids when he, or she, with the intent to evade the bidding requirements of any unit of local government or school district, knowingly strings or assists in stringing or attempts to string any contract or job order with the unit of local government or school district.
- b. Sentence. Unlawful stringing of bids is a Class 4 felony.

(Source: P.A. 97-1108, eff. 1-1-13; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.) (720 ILCS 5/33E)

## NOW ARENA MONUMENT SIGN DISPLAY PANEL REPLACEMENT

### SCOPE OF WORK

#### General Instruction to Bidder(s):

1. This project is Turn-Key Design Build. The contractor shall be responsible for all aspects described in the scope of work. The LED Display Panel specification outlined will be the basis of the design. The final LED Display Panels will be integrated into the existing monument sign. The contractor shall include all required accessories; labor shall include any services including and not limited to design, engineering, field verification, modifications, installation, programming, and training. Upon project close-out the new LED Display Panels shall be fully integrated and operational.
  - a. The Contractor shall be responsible to properly remove and dispose of the existing digital display panels.
  - b. The Contractor shall be responsible for all modifications required to the existing monument sign structure and exterior cladding to enclosed and protect the new display panels. The integration of the proposed LED Display Panels into the existing sign cabinet must be a warrantable condition satisfactory to the LED Panel Manufacturer.
  - c. All utility and communication integration required is the sole responsibility of the contractor.
  - d. Basis-of-Design for the LED Displays is outlined in the specification requirements.
2. Contractor will conduct all work during business hours of M-F from 8:00am until 5:00PM.
3. Permits are the responsibility of the contractor. Village permit fees will be waived by the Village.
4. The Village is tax exempt and will furnish the awarded contractor with the exemption tax letter for the purchase of project materials.
5. Submittals are required for owner review and acceptance prior to procuring major feature(s) of the work. The following shall be submitted:
  - a. Product Data Sheets for the proposed LED Display Panels and any specialty equipment identified.
  - b. As-built drawings for the existing structure denoting any modification required for the replacement LED Displays
6. Contractor shall perform integration and commissioning in advance of project close-out and substantial completion. All equipment and systems shall be fully operational prior to substantial completion and owner training.
7. **Closeout Documentation** shall include the following items in order:
  - a. Fully operational Monument Sign with Display Panel Control and attic stock.
  - b. As-Built documentation and Project Submittals, (2) hard copies in binders; and (2) PDF's copies on thumb drives
    - i. All Equipment Packages with Manufacture Data (Product Data Sheets, Specifications, Owner Operation and Maintenance Manuals
  - c. Onsite Owner and Operator Training (minimum of 4 people for 8 hrs.)
  - d. Lifetime software license including routine updating or upgrades
  - e. Warranty Submittals
    - i. Manufacturer warranties for all equipment and supplied features of the work.
    - ii. Minimum of 5 Year Parts warranty

- iii. Three (3) Year of on-site labor warranty shall be included in the base bid.  
Warranty coverage must include the provision of bucket trucks for reaching sign assets and LED panel manufacturer certified repair technicians to perform all required service work. All service and repair dispatches shall occur during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays and weekends. Minimum of 48-hour onsite response time.
- f. Letter of Substantial Completion
- g. Final Invoice

#### Sign Contractor Qualifications and Requirements

1. The sign contractor must be a manufacturer approved installer of the specified display panel. The contractor must have a minimum of 15 years in the industry and 10 years' experience with LED display panel installations, service, maintenance, and troubleshooting.
2. The sign contractor must own and operate their own service vehicles with proper bucket truck reach and maintain a certified, fully staffed service facility capable of dispatching qualified technicians for ongoing repair and maintenance of the provided digital products. This facility must be located within a 50-mile radius of Hoffman Estates, Illinois, to ensure timely and reliable service support.
3. Sign contractor shall self-perform all aspects of the LED Display Panel installation and integration. Any specialty subcontractor required for execution of the scope of work shall be listed on the "Bid Proposal Form".
4. This is a prevailing wage project. Certified payroll documentation shall be submitted with final application for payment at completion of the project.

#### Specification Requirements for Outdoor LED Display Panels

1. Scope and Intent  
This specification outlines the minimum requirements for a full-color, outdoor-rated LED video display panel intended to be integration into an existing monument sign structure. The primary objective is to ensure high visibility, superior image quality, and robust performance in extreme outdoor conditions, while meeting specific dimensional and pixel density targets. The project will require the replacement and integration of both the east and west facing display panels.
2. General Performance Requirements
  - a. Viewable Area  
Nominally shall be 14' - 0" High x 28' - 0" Wide. The final dimension shall be within +/- 2 inches of nominal but must fit within the prescriptive monument sign box.
  - b. Maximum Power Consumption  
To be calculated based on pitch, but not to exceed 120W/sq. ft. (typical). Vendor to provide comprehensive electrical load calculations.
  - c. Operating Lifespan  
100,000 hours minimum. After which luminous output degrades to 50% of initial level.
  - d. Service Access  
Front or Rear Serviceable is required for ease of maintenance and minimized sign disruption.



- e. Color Depth  
16-bit processing minimum. Required for smooth color transitions and video performance.
  - f. Refresh Rate  
3,840 Hz minimum. Required to prevent flicker on camera and for superior motion handling.
  - g. Display Panel manufacture must have 15 years in the LED industry producing display panels. Panel manufacture shall be capable of sourcing replacement LED modules for a period of 10 years following the final completion date of this installation.
3. Display and Pixel Specifications
- a. Resolution and Pixel Pitch are critical for content ratio and viewing distance. The physical size and target pixel count are vital requirements.
    - i. Pixel Resolution (Height) 250 Pixels is the minimum requirement
    - ii. Pixel Resolution (Width) 865 Pixels is the maximum requirement
    - iii. Overall Pixel Count Height  $\geq 250$  and Width  $\leq 865$ . Final count depends on vendor's selected resolution and module configuration.
    - iv. Effective Pixel Pitch Range 12mm to 16mm (Square). Vendor must select a standard square pitch (12mm, 15mm, 16mm) that meets the required resolution within the specified physical dimensions. (Note: Achieving 865W in 28' requires an effective pitch of approximately 9.85mm. The Vendor shall detail how the W resolution is achieved if a 12mm + pitch is used.)
    - v. Minimum Horizontal Viewing Angle 140 degree. Off-axis uniformity is critical.
  - b. Brightness (Luminance)
    - i. Required Luminance Range (Outdoor) for readability in direct sunlight 10,000 to 12,000 NITS
    - ii. Luminance Control is required for ambient light adjustment and energy savings. Should be automatic 256-level sensor control
  - c. Components
    - i. LED Type should be DIP or SMD (Preference for high-brightness, high-reliability Black-Body SMD). Must be fully encapsulated in front and back of the module. Includes protective coating (conformal coating/gasket) against environmental ingress.
    - ii. LED Manufacturers: Nichia, Cree, or equivalent Tier 1 manufacturer. Required for consistency and lifespan.
    - iii. Contrast Ratio should be 3000:1 minimum. Required for clear visibility of dark content during daytime.
4. Environmental and Physical Requirements
- The display must be engineered to withstand continuous outdoor exposure, including harsh weather, temperature fluctuations, and UV exposure.
- a. Ingress Protection (Front/Display Face) IP65 minimum for protection against dust and high-pressure water jets.
  - b. Ingress Protection (Rear/Cabinet) IP54 minimum for protection against dust and low-pressure water jets.
  - c. Operating Temperature shall range between -40 degree C to +55degree C. Required for year-round operation in extreme climates.

- d. UV Protection High-grade, anti-UV treated components. Required to prevent deterioration of masks and encapsulation over time.
  - e. Wind Load Rating certified to withstand local building code wind loads (min. 90 mph exposure). Vendor to provide documentation/stamped engineered drawings.
5. Control System and Processing
- a. Hardware and Connectivity
 

The system must include a dedicated Video Processor and Sender Card to manage video scaling, windowing, and display correction.

    - i. Video Input: Must accept standard industry inputs (HDMI, DVI, DisplayPort).
    - ii. Networking: Gigabit Ethernet connectivity with redundant data path support (e.g., fiber option for long runs).
    - iii. Monitoring: Remote, real-time cabinet temperature, humidity, and component status monitoring capability.
  - b. Software and Content Management System (CMS)
 

The system must include a robust, user-friendly Content Management System (CMS).

    - i. Scheduling: Advanced scheduling capabilities (daily, weekly, date-based, immediate play).
    - ii. Media Formats: Support for all common video (MPEG, MP4, MOV) and image (JPG, PNG) formats.
    - iii. Resolution Scaling: Automatic and manual scaling of content to the native display resolution without distortion.
    - iv. Remote Diagnostics: Capability to remotely power-cycle, diagnose, and update the system firmware.
6. Documentation and Warranty
- a. Warranty: Minimum five (5) years parts and three (3) years on-site labor warranty covering all components, including LED modules, power supplies, controller cards, and cooling systems.
  - b. Ten (10) year parts availability guarantee
  - c. Documentation: Complete set of manuals including installation, operation, troubleshooting, and maintenance guides must be provided.
  - d. Certification: LED modules and cabinets must be UL listed and FCC compliant.
  - e. Training: On-site training for operations and maintenance staff is required.
7. Basis of Design Outdoor LED Display Panel Manufactures
- a. Watchfire Signs : 1015 Maple St, Danville, IL 61832; 800-637-2645
  - b. Daktronics : 201 Daktronics Dr, Brookings, SD 57006; 800-325-8766
  - c. Ledmen LED (Digital Entertainment Distribution LLC) : Las Vegas, NV

## **END SCOPE OF WORK**

VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES  
**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

**All Inclusive Bid Sums**

The bid sums shall include everything specified and/or otherwise required and/or described in the scope of work in order to complete the project in its entirety. No claim for additionally required materials and/or labor shall be honored by the Village what-so-ever.

**Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting and Walk-Through**

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the NOW Arena located at 5333 Prairie Stone Pkwy, Hoffman Estates, IL 60192 on January 08, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. This will give all Bidders an opportunity to see the site conditions and to ask questions in group about specifications and bid requirements. Contact the Village representative, William Lynch, Superintendent of Facilities, [William.Lynch@vohe.org](mailto:William.Lynch@vohe.org) or 847.490.6800 if there are any questions about this meeting.

**Bid Security Deposit Requirements**

Cashier's/Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of 10% of proposed cost (required)

**Performance Bond Requirements**

100% of Total Bid Award (Upon Award of Contract only using the performance bond template included in this document. No AIA bond documents will be accepted.

## NOW ARENA Monument Sign Display Panel Replacement (Existing Sign)



Sign and Display Panel East Façade. Electrical meter and service pedestal Southeast of sign.

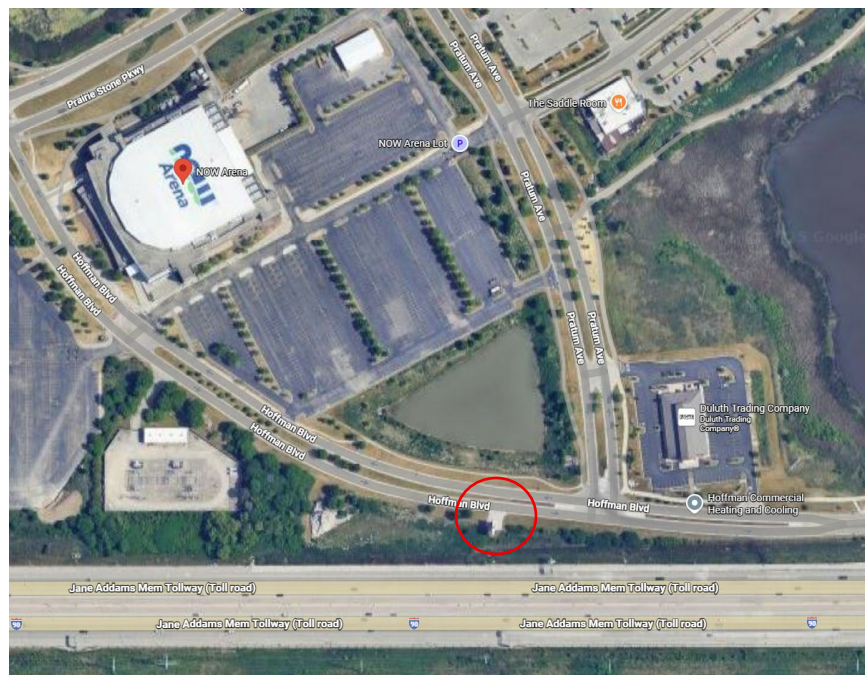


Sign and Display Panel West Façade.





North Façade showing sign cabinet access points.



Location of Monument Sign along Hoffman Blvd. Southeast of arena