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The following notice is to appear on the City of Warwick's website Friday, February 5, 2021.
The website address is <http://www.warwickri.gov/bids>.

**CITY OF WARWICK
BIDS REQUESTED FOR**

Bid2021-262 Bacteriological Testing for Beaches

Specifications are available in the Purchasing Division, Warwick City Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM on or after Friday, February 5, 2021. **Our office will be closed on February 15, 2021 and will reopen on February 16, 2021 at 8:30am.**

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Division, Warwick City Hall, 3275 Post Road, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886 up until 11:00 AM, Tuesday, February 23, 2021. The bids will be opened publicly commencing at 11:00 AM on the same day in the Lower Level Conference Room, Warwick City Hall. ***Please note due to COVID-19, only one person from each company may attend the bid opening. Employees and visitors must adhere to social distance guidelines. All visitors are advised to wear masks.***

Awards will be made on the basis of the lowest evaluated or responsive bid price.
Please note that no bids can be accepted via email or fax.

The City of Warwick, in addition to soliciting bids in response to this bid, may consult, consider, and make an award for any and all open bid offers for a comparable unit as sought herein at the following websites:

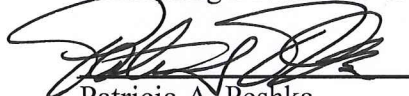
RI State MPA: <https://www.ridop.ri.gov/contract-portal/>

NASPO: <https://www.naspo.org/>

NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance): <https://www.njpacoop.org/cooperative-purchasing>

MHEC (Massachusetts Higher Education Consortium): <https://www.mhec.net/>

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Purchasing Division at 401-738-2013 at least 48 hours in advance of the bid opening date.


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PLEASE COMPLETE THIS PAGE & SUBMIT WITH YOUR BID

Acknowledgement of Addendum (if applicable)

Addendum Number

Signature of Bidder

COMPANY NAME: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

BIDDER'S SIGNATURE: _____

BIDDER'S NAME (PRINT): _____

TITLE: _____ TEL. NO.: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____*

*Please include your email address. Future bids will be emailed, unless otherwise noted.

II. AWARD AND CONTRACT:

The CITY OF WARWICK, acting as duly authorized through its Purchasing Agent/Finance Director/Mayor, accepts the above bid and hereby enters into a contract with the above party to pay the bid price upon completion of the project or receipt of the goods unless another payment schedule is contained in the specifications. All terms of the specifications, both substantive and procedural, are made terms of this contract.

DATE: _____
Bid2021-262

Purchasing Agent

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CERTIFICATION & WARRANT FORM*

**This form must be completed and submitted with sealed bid.
Failure to do so will result in automatic rejection.**

Any and all bids shall contain a certification and warrant that they comply with all relevant and pertinent statues, laws, ordinances and regulations, in particular, but not limited to Chapter 16- Conflicts of Interest, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Warwick. Any proven violation of this warranty and representation by a bidder at the time of the bid or during the course of the contract, included, but not limited to negligent acts, either directly or indirectly through agents and/or sub-contractors, shall render the bidder's contract terminated and the bidder shall be required to reimburse the City for any and all costs incurred by the City, including reasonable attorney fees, to prosecute and/or enforce this provision.

Signature

Date

Company Name

Address

Address

***This form cannot be altered in any way**

**CITY OF WARWICK
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Bid2021-262 Bacteriological Testing for Beaches

If you received this document from our homepage or from a source other than the City of Warwick Purchasing Division, please check with our office prior to submitting your bid to ensure that you have a complete package. The Purchasing Division cannot be responsible to provide addenda if we do not have you on record as a plan holder.

Bids received prior to the time of the opening will be securely kept, unopened. No responsibility will be attached to an officer or person for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified. No bids will be accepted via facsimile or email.

The opening of bids will be in the order established by the posted agenda and the agenda will continue uninterrupted until completion.

Once an item has been reached and any bids on that item has been opened, no other bids on that item will be accepted and any such bid will be deemed late.

The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental handicap for any position for which the employee or applicant is qualified and that in the event of non-compliance the City may declare the contractor in breach and take any necessary legal recourse including termination or cancellation of the contract.

A bidder filing a bid thereby certifies that no officer, agent, or employee of the City has a pecuniary interest in the bid or has participated in contract negotiations on the part of the City, that the bid is made in good faith without fraud, collusion, or connection of any kind with any other bidder for the same call for bids, and that the bidder is competing solely in his own behalf without connection with, or obligation to, any undisclosed person or firm.

All bids should be submitted with one (1) original and one (1) copy in a sealed envelope, which should read: *YOUR COMPANY NAME* plainly marked on the exterior of the envelope as well as "Bid2021-262 Bacteriological Testing for Beaches."

All proposals submitted become the property of the City and will not be returned. If the company intends to submit **confidential or proprietary information** as part of the proposal, **any limits on the use or distribution of that material should be clearly delineated in writing. This information should be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly labeled confidential** and where it should be submitted in the response. Please be advised of the Freedom of Information Act as it may pertain to your submittal.

Should you have any questions, please contact Beverly Wiley, Parks & Recreation Director, 885 Sandy Lane, Warwick, RI at 401-921-9623.

All bids should be written in ink or typed. If there is a correction with whiteout, the bidder should initial the change.

Negligence on the part of the bidder in preparing the bid confers no rights for the withdrawal of the bid after it is open.

Any deviation from the specifications must be noted in writing and attached as part of the bid proposal. The bidder will indicate the item or part with the deviation and indicate how the bid will deviate from specifications.

The IRS Form W-9 available on www.warwickri.gov should be completed and submitted with the bid if the bidder falls under IRS requirements to file this form.

For a bid to be awarded to a corporation, limited liability company or other legal entity, prior to commencing work under the awarded bid, that corporation, company or legal entity may be required to provide to the Purchasing Agent a **Certificate of Good Standing** dated no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date upon which the bid approval was made.

The successful bidder will provide said **Certificate of Good Standing** (if required) within ten (10) calendar days after notification or the City reserves the right to rescind said award.

Prices to be held firm one (1) year from date of award. Term contracts may be extended for one (1) additional term upon mutual agreement unless otherwise stated.

The contractor must carry sufficient liability insurance and agree to indemnify the city against all claims of any nature, which might arise as a result of his operations or conduct of work.

The City is exempt from the payment of the Rhode Island Sales Tax under the 1956 General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 44-18-30, Paragraph I, as amended.

The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any minor deviations or informalities in the bids received, and to accept the bid deemed most favorable to the interest of the City.

The successful bidder must comply with all Rhode Island Laws applicable the public works projects, including, but not limited to provisions of Chapter 13 of Title 37 of the Rhode Island General Laws, pertaining to prevailing wage rates, and all other applicable local, state and federal laws.

The City reserves the right to terminate the contract or any part of the contract in the best interests of the City, upon 30-day notice to the contractor. The City will incur no liability for materials or services not yet ordered if it terminates in the best interests of the City. If the City terminates in the interests of the City after an order for materials or services have been placed, the contractor will be entitled to compensation upon submission of invoices and proper proof of claim, in that proportion which its services and products were satisfactorily rendered or provided, as well as expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of work up to time of termination.

No extra charges for delivery, handling or other services will be honored. All claims for damage in transit will be the responsibility of the successful bidder. Deliveries must be made during normal working hours unless otherwise agreed upon.

All costs directly or indirectly related to the preparation of a response to this solicitation, or any presentation or communication to supplement and/or clarify any response to this solicitation which may be required or requested by the City of Warwick will be the sole responsibility of and will be borne by the respondent.

If the respondent is awarded a contract in accordance with this solicitation and if the respondent fails or refuses to satisfy fully all of the respondents obligations thereunder, the City of Warwick will be entitled to recover from the respondent any losses, damages or costs incurred by the City as a result of such failure or refusal.

The City reserves the right to award in part or full and to increase or decrease quantities in the best interest of the City.

Any quantity reference in the bid specifications are estimates only, and do not represent a commitment on the part of the City of Warwick to any level of billing activity. It is understood and agreed that the agreement will cover the actual quantities ordered during the contract period.

The City reserves the right to rescind award for non-compliance to bid specifications.

The successful bidder must adhere to all City, State and Federal Laws, where applicable.

SPECIFICATIONS BATHING AREA TESTING REQUIREMENTS

Owners/operators of bathing areas (public and private) are required under Rhode Island state law to ensure that bathing beach water meets bacteriological and safety standards set by the RI Department of Health (RI DOH) or the RI Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM).

SPECIFICATIONS

1. All bathing areas open the third Saturday in June and must be sampled the first week of June for enterococci bacteria. Initial test results must be received by the Recreation Department at 925 Sandy Lane, Warwick, RI, 02886 no later than June 19, 2021. All beaches will close for the season on Labor Day.
2. If any saltwater sample exceeds a single sample of 104 enterococci per 100 ml, the result must be called in IMMEDIATELY upon receipt to the Department of Health – Beach Monitoring at 401-222-7727.

Similarly, for freshwater, if any sample result exceeds 61 enterococci per 100 ml, the result must be called in IMMEDIATELY upon receipt to the Department of Health – Beach Monitoring at 401-222-7727.

Results will be immediately evaluated by RI DOH and facilities will be advised as to appropriate action. We ask that arrangements be made with laboratories to send all sample results directly to RI DOH via fax and/or e-mail.

3. Owners/operators of high risk bathing areas, as determined by RI DOH may be required to conduct additional testing throughout the summer. These requirements will be determined following a review of characteristics of the bathing area including previous water quality testing results, the number of bathers using the facility, proximity of polluting sources, etc.
4. Requirements for additional testing, if any, will be communicated to the facility owner/operator after review of available information by RI DOH. All facilities will be advised if additional testing is required.
5. Testing must be performed by laboratories that are licensed by RI DOH for bacteriological testing of water. A list of licensed laboratories is attached and is available from RI DOH by calling 401-222-2749.
6. Because samples must be collected in sterile bottles (provided by the laboratory) and because the laboratory may have special requirements for submission of samples, be sure to contact the laboratory that will be conducting the testing prior to collection of samples.
7. The City will be responsible for collecting and delivering the samples to the laboratory as per RI DOH requirements.
8. Results will be sent via fax to 401-732-5208 unless results exceed RI DOH limits in which case the City will be notified by phone and fax as well as RI DOH notification.

MINIMUM TESTING REQUIREMENTS

Saltwater testing	12 samples weekly
Freshwater testing	2 samples weekly

*Plus additional testing as required by the State of Rhode Island.

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(PRICING SHEET MAY NOT BE CONFIDENTIAL)

CITY OF WARWICK

BID AND CONTRACT FORM

TITLE OF SPECIFICATION: 2021-262 Bacteriological Testing for Beaches

I. BID:

WHEREAS, the CITY OF WARWICK has duly asked for bids for performance of services and/or supply of goods in accordance with the above-indicated specifications.

The person or entity does irrevocably offer to perform the services and/or furnish the goods in accordance with the specifications, which are hereby incorporated by reference in exchange for the bid price.

This offer will remain open and irrevocable until the CITY OF WARWICK has accepted this bid or another bid on the specifications or abandoned the project.

The bidder agrees that acceptance by the CITY OF WARWICK will transform the bid into a contract. This bid and contract will be secured by Bonds, if required by the specifications.

Cost per Test: \$ _____



State Health Laboratories

50 Orms Street
Providence, RI 02904-2222

401.222.5600
401.222.6985 fax
TTY: 711
www.health.ri.gov

**2015 In-State Listing of Laboratories Certified by Rhode Island
For Microbiological Testing (Enterococci) in Beach Water***

<p>Biological Analytical Laboratories (BAL) Darlene Capuano 185 Frances Avenue Cranston, RI 02910 Certification # LAI00036 Phone: 401-785-0241 Fax: 401-785-2374</p>	<p>RI Analytical Laboratories (RIAL) Kristen Mayo 41 Illinois Avenue Warwick, RI 02888 Certification # LAI00033 Phone: 401-737-8500 Fax: 401-738-1970</p>
<p>Northeast Environmental Testing Lab., Inc. Raymond Spinella, Director 472 Smith Street Providence, RI 02908 Certification # LAI00119 Phone: 401-454-3400 Fax: 401-454-3410</p>	<p>Rhode Island State Health Laboratories Henry Leibovitz 50 Orms Street Providence, RI 02904 Certification # LAI00121 Phone: 401-222-5600 Fax: 401-222-6985</p>
<p>New England Testing Lab, Inc. Mark Bishop, Director 1254 Douglas Avenue North Providence, RI 02904 Certification # LAI00004 Phone: 401-353-3420 Fax: 401-354-8951</p>	<p>University of Rhode Island Watershed Watch Laboratory Linda Green, Director URI Cooperative Extension Water Quality Program College of the Environment and Life Sciences Coastal Institute Kingston 1 Greenhouse Road Kingston, RI 02881 Certification # LAI00295 Phone: 401-874-2905 Fax: 401-874-4561</p>
<p>Premier Laboratory Inc. Brad Gauthier 61 Louisa Viens Drive PO Box 700 Dayville, CT 06241 Certification # LAO00300 Phone: 860-774-6814 Fax: 860-774-2689</p>	<p>Bristol Water Pollution Control Facility Laboratory William Rabideau, Lab Director Plant Avenue Bristol, RI 02809 Certification # LAI00082 Phone: 401-253-8877</p>

*Please note: the State of Rhode Island now requires laboratories to be certified for analysis of Enterococci. Please contact your laboratory to ensure they now meet this requirement. The Beach Program will not accept any beach samples collected or analyzed by a laboratory, which is not certified for Enterococci.