



REQUEST FOR BIDS

Bus Route Signs

DULUTH TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Addendum #2

June 22, 2022

Please note, the Bid due date HAS BEEN CHANGED to 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2022.

Clarifications to date:

1. The DTA is upgrading its route system and is replacing route signs on all routes with new ones. This procurement is a one-time purchase, but ongoing purchases of replacement signs may be issued in future procurements as needed.
2. The signs requested herein are to be delivered before September 30, 2022. Completed signs may be shipped in increments as they are completed.
3. The DTA will be reviewing the estimated cost of shipping in conjunction with the cost of the signs using a sample shipment of 500 signs from the vendor point of origination to the DTA Operations Center.
4. Signs may be painted, screen printed and coated, or digitally printed. A protective overlay film applied after printing is required to prevent fading.
5. All signs provided must be warranted for a minimum of 10 years. Engineer grade is not acceptable.
6. The HIP High Intensity Prismatic Sheeting from 3M is accepted as an approved equal. Bidder shall demonstrate that their proposed product meets or exceeds this standard for reflectivity and performance, and inks and protective coatings do not void any warranties.
7. The DTA requires 0.100-gauge signs so they are interchangeable throughout the transit system and are compatible with existing mounting brackets.
8. No border painted around the edge is preferred, however, a 1/8-inch white edge border is acceptable to prevent bleed printing where required.
9. An EPS vector art file will be provided to the selected vendor at the time the DTA submits an order form.
10. The 12-inch by 6-inch blank signs must be either galvanized aluminum or treated with a white anti-corrosion coating. 3M's anti-corrosion coating is accepted as an approved equal. The DTA will be placing preprinted stickers on the blanks with customized information.
11. The selected vendor will be required to submit two samples of each sign type to the DTA project manager before the signs go into final production to verify quality, color and compliance with specifications. DTA will respond within three days of receipt of the samples with any comments or concerns. Upon acceptance of the samples, the DTA project manager will provide a written notice to proceed with fabrication.
12. Further questions will be accepted until July 6, 2022. Answers will be provided on July 7, 2022.