

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
INTERIM DOWNTOWN TRANSIT HUB PHASE 2**

**INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) #2024-015**

**Project Description:** The Regional Transit Authority of New Orleans invites qualified licensed Contractors to bid on Interim Downtown Transit Hub Phase 2, as per specifications in IFB 2024-015.

**How to obtain a copy of the IFB:** Specifications and further information concerning the IFB may be obtained starting May 10, 2024 from the RTA's ProcureWare website at <https://norta.procurement.com/home>. You will be required to first register on this website. The IFB can also be obtained at Regional Transit Authority's website at <http://www.norta.com>.

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Site Visit** will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 10 AM at 2817 Canal Street, New Orleans LA 70119. Following the pre-bid meeting, site visits will be held at the following addresses:

New Orleans Public Library East New Orleans <b>Address</b> 5641 Read Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70127	New Orleans Public Library Main Library <b>Address</b> 219 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, LA 70112
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**Responding to IFB:** Bids shall be submitted thru the RTA's Procurement website or delivered to the Regional Transit Authority, Procurement Department, 2817 Canal St., New Orleans, LA, 70119 on or before 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 18, 2024. Any questions or further information concerning this IFB may be submitted through <https://norta.procurement.com/home> beginning on Friday, May 10, 2024. Only written questions submitted through <https://procurement.com/home> shall be considered official. All answers to questions shall be by formal addenda posted to the website under IFB 2024-015.

**A Bid Opening** will be held in the RTA Board Room on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 2:00 PM. Any questions or further information concerning the IFB may be submitted via <https://norta.procurement.com/home>, beginning on May 10, 2024.

**This procurement is limited to small businesses only.** Offers/responses will only be accepted from eligible Small Business Enterprises in compliance with the RTA's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program and the US Code of Federal Regulations Title 49 Part 26.39. To be an eligible Small Business Enterprise a business must have at least 51% ownership by a person who is economically disadvantaged. To be considered economically disadvantaged, the individual's Personal Net Worth, not including their primary place of residence or ownership in the business cannot exceed \$1.32 million in compliance with the 49 CFR Part 26.67. Additionally, the business must meet the annual gross receipts cap of \$17.42 million as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 and must meet the size criteria defined by the Small Business Administration. SBE size standards can be accessed at <http://www.sba.gov/content/table-small-business-size-standards>.

The Small Business Enterprise Program is race-neutral and open to all business owners regardless of race, ethnicity or gender. Businesses that are currently Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certified with the Louisiana Unified Certification Program must submit an affidavit of SBE eligibility. Businesses that are not DBE certified must submit a complete SBE Certification application along with all supporting documentation. The SBE eligibility affidavit and the SBE Certification Application can be obtained at the RTA website at [www.NORTA.com](http://www.NORTA.com). SBE affidavits and/or applications must be submitted prior to or with the offer/response to this solicitation. SBE affidavits and/or applications submitted past the due date for this solicitation will be processed for eligibility but will not affect the business' SBE eligibility for this solicitation. For additional information contact the RTA's Small Business Office at 504-827-8362.

The RTA reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals submitted.

**Lona Hankins**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
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