



Notice is published in Palestine Herald-Press in October 28th & 31st editions. Sealed bids will be accepted until Monday, January 22, 2018. Bids will close on January 22, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Bids will be opened at the Palestine City Hall on January 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Council will meet on February 12, 2018, to award a contract to the winning bidder.

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY

The City of Palestine is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of city-owned real property described below. The receipt of responses does not require the City to accept any bid, enter a contract or to complete a sale or exchange. Should any bid be accepted, payment shall be made by cashier's check or money order payable to the City of Palestine within three days of the award notice. Provisions of any sale shall include: "as is" with no warranties; and buyer to pay all fees, and commissions and costs associated with closing the sale. If approved, sale and conveyance will be through special warranty deed.

1. ACAD Account #: R0046564
Address: 1819 W. Spring Street (Palestine Civic Center).
Legal Description: A0723 Shipley, John Survey. Block 1243 Tract 7 (improved area only including building and parking lot).
Minimum Bid: \$250,000
Bid Deposit/Earnest Money: \$2,500
Other stipulations: City will retain the option to purchase back the property if no action is taken within 2 years to repair/demolish

Bid packages will be available on October 28, 2018, from the City Secretary's Office, 504 North Queen Street, Palestine, Texas 75801.

Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope to:

City of Palestine
Attn: City Secretary
504 North Queen Street
Palestine, TX 75801

with the following words typed on the exterior of the envelope:

**SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE
SEALED BID RFP – 2017-X
SALE OF PALESTINE CIVIC CENTER
TO BE OPENED: January 22, 2018**

Bid Deposit/Earnest Money: **\$2,500.00** to be submitted with the bid and paid in the form of a Cashier's Check or Money Order made payable to the City of Palestine. The Bid Deposit will be returned without interest to any bidder whose proposal is not accepted. The City of Palestine's responsibility to return the deposit shall extend only to depositing the check in the U. S. mail addressed to the unsuccessful bidder at the address provided on or before 30 days from the date the bid is rejected. **The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any minor irregularities and technicalities.**

Bids will remain in effect for 90 days. Bids cannot be altered or amended after the submission deadline. Any interlineations, alterations, or erasures made before opening must be initialed by the signer of the bid, guaranteeing authenticity.

Any questions on the bid must be submitted in writing to:

Any questions relating to this Invitation for Bid must be submitted in writing to:

City of Palestine
Attn: Teresa Herrera, City Secretary
504 North Queen Street
Palestine, TX 75801
Sealed Bid RFP – 2017-X – Sale of Palestine Civic Center

Any interpretation, corrections or changes to this Invitation to Bid will be made by addenda. The sole issuing authority of addenda shall be vested in City of Palestine Purchasing Agent. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of this Invitation to Bid. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda.

To choose the winning bidder for 1819 W. Spring Street (Palestine Civic Center), the City of Palestine City Council will consider the following items: the buyer's ability to bring business to Palestine, the buyer's ability to bring tax revenue into Palestine, the buyer's ability to increase employment in Palestine and the buyer's ability to remodel and maintain upkeep of the buildings. Other items may be discussed before an award will be made, if needed.