

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

### CONTRACT #2078

#### Purchase of 5 Cubic Yard Stationary Compactor

Questions about this RFP should be directed to Dwight Ryniewicz, Director of Public Works Department, by email only to [dryniewicz@vernon-ct.gov](mailto:dryniewicz@vernon-ct.gov), no later than Monday, June 28, 2021 at 3:30 pm. Answers to questions received will be posted by Wednesday, June 30, 2021 on the Town's website at [www.vernon-ct.gov/legal-notices](http://www.vernon-ct.gov/legal-notices) and at the Connecticut State Department of Administrative Services (DAS) at <https://portal.ct.gov/DAS/CTSource/CTSource> by referencing Contract #2078. It is the sole responsibility of the respondent to review any or all addendum or question responses related to this RFP.

	QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1	Can you confirm you are looking for a 5 Cubic Yard Pre-Crusher Stationary Compactor with an Option for a 6 Yard with the same set-up/inclusions? We ask this as your Bid Invitation, Specifications, and Proposal pages state 5 but your Special Instructions to Bidders pages and #2 (Option) of your Proposal pages states 6?	We are looking for bids on a 5-cu yd compactor with pre-crusher the option is for a 6-cu yd compactor with pre-crusher same setup and inclusions.
2	Remote Power Unit with weather cover- Your current unit is a power unit mounted on the back of the compactor with weather cover, so do you want the same layout?	We would like the Remote power unit mounted similar to the unit that is in place
3	You have nothing in the specs about platform and access platform that the current compactor has. Is this required for the new compactor?	The bid is for a compactor. The current compactor has a ramp, this ramp extends to where the new unit will be placed, we would like to mirror the compactor that's in place including side feed hopper with any OSHA required protection
4	Maintenance and servicing- Are you asking for the daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly recommended service requirements? If so, this will be presented in the manual of the machine.	DPW (Owner) will perform preventative maintenance. However, when repair is needed for the unit such as welding, part replacement, hydraulic failures, please quote travel cost and hourly any and all discounts for local government
5	Who is responsible to install the new electrical service and disconnect for the new machine (208 Volt, 3 Phase, 100 amp service minimum), as this is normally the responsibility of the owner?	Town provided (Owner)
6	You are calling out a 6 cu yd option with a 97" hopper opening, but there are some concerns with this option <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Most 6 cu yd units have at least 113,000 lbs. of force and may be too much force for the receiver cans you have</li> <li>b. Many 6 cu yd units go to a super-wide discharge (73") and require wider opening receiver cans</li> <li>c. Will you entertain an all electrical auger as an option for this?</li> <li>d. Augers are all electric (no hydraulic to worry about?)</li> <li>e. Augers are packers and pre-crushers all in 1</li> </ol>	We are looking for 6 Cu Yd compactor with per-crusher as an <u>option</u> , so if the vender can provide pricing on this option everything needed should be included. Please quote separately. We also would like to stay with a hydraulic system unless unavailable from your company, please quote the auger system
7	Will you accept progressive payment terms (ex. 30% down, 60% prior to shipment, Balance at Successful install)?	NO
8	How soon will a decision be made on the bid? With the current steel climate, most vendors aren't holding their prices for over 1 week.	Bid decisions can take up to three weeks from when they are opened to when they are awarded
9	If your decision is over a week there may be price increases out of our control; so how can we handle this?	Bidders should anticipate component and steel increases, bids should be good for at least 30 days.