

Responsible Bidder Policy

The City of Manitowoc is required by state law to let public works contracts in excess of \$25,000 to the lowest responsible bidder.

In determining responsible bidder status, the Department of Public Infrastructure shall consider whether a bidder:

- Is authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin
- Can comply with the City's Standard Specifications, including insurance requirements, equal opportunity laws, wage requirements, and licenses.
- Has unpaid taxes, forfeitures, fees, or utilities owed to the City.
- Is prohibited from bidding on federal, state, or local contractors.
- Has the financial means to complete the project
- Has a financial history showing that projects are completed timely
- Participates in a Class A Registered Apprentice Program, or other apprentice program as may be appropriate
- Maintains a permanent place of business
- Agrees to provide lien waivers
- Has a written and enforced safety program
- Has a written and enforced substance abuse program

The determination of a bidder's status as a responsible bidder shall be at the sole discretion of the Department of Public Infrastructure, who shall use all information available in making this determination.