

**METROPOLITAN ENTERTAINMENT & CONVENTION AUTHORITY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 27006
TRACTION FREIGHT ELEVATOR MODERNIZATION
MAY 18, 2026**

PART I - INTRODUCTION

The Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority (“MECA”) is requesting proposals from qualified organizations interested in providing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to modernize the elevator equipment for the arena traction freight elevator at CHI Health Center Omaha (“CHIHCO”). MECA is responsible for managing the operations of the Facility. The Facility is located in downtown Omaha, NE.

1. Anticipated RFP Schedule

This Request for Proposal (RFP) and the guidelines set forth for responses hereto are intended to provide MECA with significant substantive information early in the negotiating process so that final agreement can be reached quickly. MECA has therefore established the following schedule (times listed are CST):

RFP Issued	Monday, May 18, 2026
* MANDATORY Pre-bid Meeting	Wednesday, May 27, 2026, 11:00 am
Deadline, Final Questions	Tuesday, June 2, 2026, 10:00 am
Due/Public Opening (time)	Wednesday, June 10, 2026, 10:00 am

* This is a mandatory pre-bid meeting. All Bidders who may wish to provide a Proposal must be present at this meeting. Bidders must notify MECA at kshiers@omahameca.com of their intention to attend this meeting no later than 1:00 pm Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

2. Bidder Inquiries

All inquiries regarding this RFP must be made in writing and addressed to kshiers@omahameca.com. Oral explanations or answers shall not be valid. Revisions, clarifications, and/or additional information will be issued to all Bidders in the form of an RFP addendum. All or any RFP addenda issued to the Bidders prior to the bid due date shall become a part of the bidding documents and the cost of such work shall be included in the bids.

3. Delivery of Proposals

Three printed copies and one electronic copy of proposals must be submitted and signed by an officer of the company, and delivered before the time set forth in Section 1 to MECA’s offices:

MECA
RE: Bid on Traction Freight Elevator Modernization 27006
455 North 10th Street
Omaha, NE 68102

All proposals received will be publicly opened at MECA's offices at the time set forth in Section 1. Bidders may attend, however attendance is not required. MECA reserves the right to accept or reject late proposals or to extend the time for response for one or more respondents.

4. Criteria for Evaluation of Proposals

4.1 Evaluation of Compliance with RFP Guidelines

Each proposal received will be evaluated to determine whether it generally supplies the information requested in this RFP. MECA may (at its sole discretion) disqualify any proposal, which it deems incomplete or non-compliant. All proposals shall be valid for acceptance for a period of ninety (90) calendar days.

4.2 Evaluation of Proposals

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria: (a) the company profile, background, experience, and references of the proposing party; (b) service and support; (c) ability to agree to the requested contractual terms and conditions; and (d) financial considerations. Other criteria may be considered by MECA based on the nature of the proposals received.

4.3 Selection of Respondents

Based on the foregoing criteria, MECA will select one or more entities for further negotiations. It is possible that based on the responses, MECA will elect to negotiate with more than one respondent. In such event, all selected entities will be informed that others have also been selected for negotiation, although MECA reserves the right to not disclose the identity of the other selected respondents.

MECA will notify the successful Bidder of the acceptance of its proposal. Such notice will be sent to the name and email address of the bidder as stated in its proposal.

4.4 Reservations

MECA reserves the unqualified right to reject any or all proposals, extend the time for receipt of proposals from all Bidders, waive defects or technicalities, correct discrepancies, advertise for new proposals, or to take any other action that MECA determines, at its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. MECA reserves the right to award the contract to other than the low bidder. Any such determinations or actions may be made without notice. All costs of preparation and submission of a proposal shall be at the risk and expense of the respondent. MECA shall have no liability in connection with a proposal or any respondent.

4.5 Proposals

All bids and proposals submitted by the various Bidders for this work become the property of MECA. Neither MECA nor the Bidders shall disclose the contents of any proposal to the other parties prior to the announcement of the award.

5. Contractual Terms and Conditions

Review and provide a detailed response whether the following contractual terms and conditions are agreeable. The Bidder's Proposal shall specifically note any requested

modifications to this section, which MECA may take into consideration during the review process, at MECA's discretion.

5.1 Purchase Agreement and Payment

The successful Bidder will be required to execute a MECA Purchase Agreement prior to performing any portion of work required within the specifications of this RFP. A sample MECA Purchase Agreement is available upon request.

Payment terms will be Net 30 days from installation and acceptance by MECA.

5.2 Insurance

The successful Bidder must provide evidence of the following types of insurance during the term of the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, such coverage and limits are minimum requirements and shall not be deemed as a limitation on vendor's liability under any provision of any agreement. Approval of the insurance by MECA shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the vendor hereunder. Note any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits and coverage shall be available to an additional insured.

Commercial General Liability Insurance (including premises operation liability, contractual liability and product/completed operations liability) and Automobile Liability coverage (owned, non-owned and hired coverages) with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit (Auto Liability), and \$1,000,000 Per Occurrence, and \$2,000,000 General Aggregate. Commercial General Liability aggregate limit will apply on a "per location" basis. The insurance must protect the Bidder and MECA from claims for personal injury (including bodily injury and death) and property damage which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the Bidder's services hereunder or from or out of any negligent act or omission of the Bidder, its officers, directors, agents or employees.

Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by applicable law. Policy shall be endorsed to include Waiver of Subrogation against MECA, the City of Omaha, their employees, officers and legal representatives.

Employer's Liability Insurance with minimum limits of:

\$500,000 Each Accident—Bodily Injury by Accident

\$1,000,000 Policy Limit—Bodily Injury by Disease

\$500,000 Each Employee—Bodily Injury by Disease

Umbrella or Excess Liability: additional \$5,000,000. Coverage is to apply to excess of Commercial General, Employer's Liability, and Automobile Liability policies.

All such insurance required above shall be with companies and on forms acceptable to MECA and shall provide that the coverage thereunder may not be reduced or canceled unless thirty (30) days unrestricted prior written notice thereof is furnished to MECA. All insurance shall be primary and not contributory. All insurance shall be written by companies with a Best's Key

Rating Guide (Property-Casualty, United States) rating of A or better and a Best's Financial Size Category of Class VI or better. Within thirty (30) days of the date on which coverage is to be provided hereunder, the Successful Bidder shall furnish to MECA certificates of insurance along with copies of endorsements evidencing compliance to the above requirements.. Such certificates and insurance policies shall name MECA and the City of Omaha as additional insureds on a primary basis, and contain a waiver of subrogation, in which the insurer waives any claim or right to recover against MECA, the City of Omaha, their officers, agents or employees. The additional insured requirement does not apply to Workers' Compensation.

5.3 Indemnification

Bidder does hereby covenant and agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless MECA, and the City of Omaha, their officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, from and against all claims, demands, losses, suits, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising out of or relating to any claim, demand or judgment for property loss or damage (including loss of use of the Facility), and/or personal injury, including death, arising out of the Products and Services furnished hereunder by Bidder and Bidder's Personnel except to the extent same is caused by the negligence or reckless conduct of MECA or its employees or agents.

MECA is not responsible for any equipment, furnishings, supplies or other property or Products owned by Bidder and used or stored at the Facility, nor is it responsible for damage resulting from power failure, flood, fire, explosion or other similar causes. In no event is MECA responsible for consequential damages.

The provisions requiring the furnishing of personal injury liability or property damage liability insurance shall not be construed to affect or impair the generality of the forgoing.

The successful Bidder shall represent and warrant in the contract that the components of this RFP to be purchased for the Facility shall not violate or infringe upon any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual or proprietary right of any third party. The Bidder shall agree to defend, protect and hold harmless MECA and its related parties from and against any and all liabilities, actions, losses, awards, damages, costs, claims or expenses including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by them as a result of any claim that the components of this RFP to be purchased for the Facility are illegal or infringe upon any third party patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other intellectual or proprietary right.

5.4 RFP and Bidder's Proposal

This RFP and the Bidder's proposal thereto shall become part of any contract that may be entered into as a result of this RFP.

5.5 Warranty

The Bidder shall warrant in the contract that the components of this RFP to be purchased for the Facility shall be new and of good and workmanlike quality and fit for the use intended. The Bidder shall further warrant that during the manufacturer's warranty period that the components will operate in accordance

with the manufacturer's specifications. The manufacturer's warranty period shall be specified on the Bidder's proposal and shall begin on the date of MECA's acceptance of the installation. All other specific promises and warranties made by Bidder in the RFP Response or bid process generally shall also be included in the final contract.

5.6 Scope, Quality of Work Guarantee

The successful Bidder shall furnish all equipment, labor, and personnel necessary to perform and complete the work.

5.7 Conduct of Personnel

No business, other than that specifically outlined in the RFP, may be conducted by personnel of the Bidder while on the premises of the Facility.

The Bidder shall be responsible for all actions of its employees, while they are assigned to the Facility. The employees shall at all times comply with applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations of local, state, and federal agencies, along with all regulations, policies, and procedures of MECA.

Bidder certifies and agrees that, with respect to its staff and employees who will participate in the performance of this Agreement, the Bidder shall maintain a workplace free of drugs and alcohol during the term of this contract.

If, for whatever reason, MECA determines that personnel assigned to the Facility are unsatisfactory, the Bidder shall replace the individual immediately, or as mutually agreed upon.

5.8 Sales Tax

All federal, state and local taxes, including without limitation sales, use, excise, privilege, transactional, gross receipts, ad valorem or any other transactional tax or customs and duties ("Tax" or "Taxes") paid or payable by Bidder, however designated, levied or based on amounts payable to Bidder under or in connection with the RFP have been included in the pricing set forth on Attachment A – Proposal Form as required by the relative taxing authorities.

MECA is a sales taxable entity and as such, Bidder warrants that sales tax is included in the price provided on Attachment A – Proposal Form. Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, the successful Bidder shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless, MECA for any sales tax audit assessment against MECA relating to the amount of Nebraska sales tax charged under this Agreement.

As a Vendor of CHICO, any sales tax collected must be reported to the State of Nebraska monthly. A Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act Sales and Use Tax Information Form must be completed and filed on or before the 20th day of the month following the month of sale. Forms are available by contacting MECA's Finance Department. Vendor must also supply MECA with the Vendor's Nebraska Sales Tax Permit number on Attachment A – Proposal Form upon execution of the Agreement.

PART II - SCOPE OF PROJECT

The successful Bidder is responsible for providing all labor, materials, equipment, and supplies to upgrade equipment on the arena freight elevator due to the existing equipment becoming obsolete. Bidders shall disclose all pricing for a full and complete installation including but not limited to ordering, receiving, unloading, project tracking, permits, installation, inspections, testing and any other items necessary for a turnkey solution.

The arena freight elevator (2410-EVG1 ARENA FRT) is a traction elevator. Bidders will be shown the elevator during the mandatory pre-bid meeting and walk-through.

Qualifications:

- The successful Bidder must employ certified elevator service technicians to complete this work.

Arena Traction Freight Elevator Details:

Description: Geared Traction Freight
Manufacturer: Thyssenkrupp
Weight Limit: 10000
Speed: 200 fpm
Floor Levels: 6
Doors: 2 speed side slides
Machine: GD-300
Controller: Tac 50

Components to replace:

***As TKE is our current elevator service provider, items listed below may be proprietary. However, we will accept alternates that meet or exceed all listed specifications, compatibility requirements, and performance standards. If proposing alternates, Bidders must provide a detailed list, including specifications and evidence of compatibility, with their bid.*

Controller

- TAC 32T Controller (Includes Options listed below)
 - 24 VDC Signal Voltage
 - Electronic Door Detector Interface
- eMax Monitoring Device Provisions
- Machine Room Wiring Package
- tkE Green Drive 400E (2109CD006) VVVF AC Drive / Regenerative 60R
- Emergency Power (10-D-4A)
- Card Reader override switch (for Tenant Security 3-1)
- Tenant Security 3-1 (Card Reader)
- THY Board / CE Driver Board
- Position Indicator
- Fire Service
- Hall Lanterns
- Hoistway Access
- Loadweigher Controls
- User Interface Tool

- Hoistway Enable/Inspection Operation

Hoistway Door Equipment

- Interlock / Pick up Assemblies for existing Dover Operators. Includes closers. (Front)

Hoistway Equipment

- Base Wiring Package
- TAC 32T Field Friendly Wiring Package:
 - Includes single flat traveling cable with coax
 - hoistway wiring
 - interlock wiring
 - interlock connectors
 - serial wiring
- APS (Absolute Positioning System) for TAC32T with Final Limit Switches

Motor (must be compatible with existing GD-300 machine)

- Motor
- HW Rope Gripper Model 626
- Motor Coupling
- Encoder
- Brake Switch
- Replace Gear Oil on Machine

Cab

- Car Door (2SSS, #4 S/S (441))

Car

- tkE Cable Strain Loadweigher (for 10 ropes)
- Cab Fan
- Toe Guard for 2000 code (48")
- Car Top Exit Switch

Car Door Equipment

- Micro Light (Front)
- Front Door Operator (2SSS)
- LD-16 Plus Door Operator with Complete carside equipment (FRONT)
 - includes Adapter kit (Tracks & Hangars), Clutch (w/ Car Door Lock latch & contact), & Car Top Inspection station (w/ alarm signal and Flooded Pit Jewel)

Car Fixtures

- Main Car Station Includes Options Below
 - Applied Panel
- Vandal Resistant Floor Buttons
- Cast Braille Plates for Car Features
- Standard Key Switch Package
 - Fan

- Light
- Independent
- Stop
- Inspection/Hoistway Enable
- Emergency Light mounted in COP
- 2004 and later Fire Service Phase II Features (includes instructions signage)
- Handicap Signal (Passing signal)
- Two-way Communication Position Indicator
- ADA Phone System integral with COP (Rath)
- Speaker Pattern for Intercom System/ADA Phone
- Locked Service Cabinet
- Certificate Window
- GFI Outlet
- #4 Stainless Steel Finish (441)
- Card Reader Override Keyswitch
- Machine room phone

Hall Fixtures

- Terminal Hall Stations (Surface Mounted) with
 - Appendix O (Polycarbonate insert flame)
 - Fusion (#4 S/S (304))
- 2009 & 2010 Elevator Communications Failure add
- Hoistway Access Switch in Hall Stations
- Intermediate Hall Stations (Surface Mounted) with
 - Appendix O (Polycarbonate insert flame)
 - Fusion (#4 S/S (304))
- Serial Boards for Hoistway Access
- Serial Boards for Hall Lanterns/PIs
- Serial Boards for Front Risers
- TAC Serial Boards, Base Charge
- Hoistway Jamb Braille (Pair of Standard) (# of Floors)
- Surface Mounted Hall Lanterns Fusion (#4 S/S (304))
- Horizontal Surface Mounted Combo (HL and Digital HPI) Fusion (#4 S/S (304))
- Standalone Emergency Power Jewel #4 S/S (441) New Group 1
- Standalone Fire Service Phase I with Plastic Instructions #4 S/S (441)

Items to Be Retained:

- All items not listed under components to replace will be retained.
 - Items to be retained include but are not limited to: the governor; machine; car safeties, hoistway doors, cab interior, and cab flooring.
- Awarded bidder is responsible for protecting these areas/items.

Installation

Examine the substrates and conditions under which the work is to be performed and notify MECA of conditions detrimental to the proper and timely completion of the work. Do not proceed with the installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected. Install products in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Below is a list of work items that may be required as part of this project to ensure code compliance. The Successful Bidder is responsible for identifying any items not listed below that are required to ensure code compliance. The Successful Bidder shall be responsible for completing this work, either directly or through qualified subcontractors, as part of the project scope. Bidders shall submit a list of all subcontractors that the Bidder intends to use.

Machine Room:

- Bring the elevator machine room door to code.
- Install machine room signage and extinguisher(s) as required.
- Provide all required patching in the machine room.
- Retain the fire sprinklers.
- Retain the existing HVAC.
- Provide/retain shunt trip protection.
- Install car light circuit with lockable disconnect.
- Install feeder from the load side of the car light disconnect to the controller.
- Install piping for main feeder from the main disconnect to the new controller.
- Install positive earth ground to the main controller.
- Provide code compliant lighting.
- Install machine room GFI.
- Install piping for the phone line to the new controller.
- Bid is based on no changes in motor HP. MECA will work with the Successful Bidder if modifications are required.

Pit:

- Provide new, guarded lighting with switch(s).
- Provide GFCI receptacle(s).
- Retain the fire sprinkler.
- Provide a dedicated sump outlet.
- Retain the existing sump pump.

Hoist Way:

- General patching of hoist way walls, ceiling, and new penetrations.
- It is assumed that the existing fire rated plywood bevel can remain "as is". MECA will work with the Successful Bidder if modifications are required.

Smoke Detection and Recall System:

- Provide smoke detection at elevator lobbies and machine spaces.
- Relays as needed for fire recall.

General information

1. Products must be installed in accordance with manufacturer specifications ensuring the manufacturer warranty remains intact.
2. The successful Bidder shall adhere to all codes, ordinances, or other regulatory requirements covering the scope of this project including any required inspections and testing, to include fire alarm testing.
3. The successful Bidder is responsible for local, state and federal permits, if required.

4. The successful Bidder must receive materials directly from suppliers/manufacturers. Storage is not available at CHIHCO. MECA will designate a staging area in the parking lot when the project begins.
5. The successful Bidder must remove all materials and debris from the premises. MECA will not provide dumpsters.
6. Bidder must protect all areas to be retained as well as adjacent areas not receiving work under the project and repair any damage to these areas at their own expense.
7. Bidder is responsible for keeping work areas safe, neat and in a tidy manner limiting the footprint as much as possible. Bidder is responsible for cleaning work area upon completion of each day and at conclusion of the install.
8. The successful Bidder must provide MECA the name and cell phone number of the lead installer that will be on site.

Timeline

It is anticipated agreement will be in place June 30, 2026. All work must be scheduled with MECA to accommodate the event schedule. MECA will work with the Successful Bidder to schedule this work around the events taking place. This is a lump sum, not-to-exceed, agreement. At no time will MECA pay additional fees for overtime or non-business hours worked unless such costs are specifically identified and included in the bid as part of the expedited project schedule and approved by MECA.

- The successful Bidder must provide MECA a detailed schedule for completion of the Work. The schedule should include milestones such as identifying a point within the project that the elevator may be operable to allow for movement of freight.
 - We are requesting two schedule options. Bidders will provide pricing for each option on the Attachment A – Proposal Form:
 1. **Base Bid:** Schedule and pricing representing your “standard” installation plan as it pertains to this scope of work.
 2. **Option:** Schedule and timeline representing the most expedited timeframe to complete the work as quickly as possible to reduce the amount of downtime for the elevator.
- The successful Bidder must provide MECA status reports with an updated schedule, as applicable.

PART III - Information to be Supplied by Bidder

For ease of evaluation and given the fast-track that MECA desires to pursue to reach final agreement, MECA requests that each proposal submitted incorporate the same general structure. Proposals must include the following sections:

1. Attachment A - Proposal Form

The Proposal Form, Attachment A, must be completed, signed and submitted as the first page of the Proposal. Proposal must include all costs associated with a complete, turn-key system/installation.

2. Company Profile

The Bidder should provide information about the company, including the following information:

1. Company name, address, telephone number and contact person.
2. Brief company history, which can be in the form of a company brochure.

3. Subcontractors

A minimum of 50% of the scope of work must be performed by the Bidding Company. MECA will not accept bids where more than 50% of the work is being Subcontracted. In order that MECA may be assured that only qualified and competent subcontractors will be retained for the service, each Bidder shall submit with his/her name a list of all subcontractors that the Bidder intends to use. No change shall be made in the list of subcontractors after the receipt of proposals, unless agreed to in writing by MECA.

4. References

Bidder shall supply a list of three references for whom you have applied Uniflex Reinforced Fluid Applied Coating Systems (or similar product/service), including names and telephone numbers of the customer's contact person. Provide a brief description of product/service for each reference listed.

5. Resumes

Bidder shall provide resumes or bios of key staff assigned to the project highlighting qualifications and experience. Information must include all relevant certifications and/or training.

6. Warranty and Support Information

Bidders must provide warranty information for equipment and services.

7. Deviations from Scope of Project

Bidder must document any and all deviations from the specifications outlined in the Scope of Project in Part II. This includes, but is not limited to, payment terms. Bidders must indicate if they require down payment and/or progress payment in lieu of Net 30 from project completion.

8. Deviations from Contractual Terms and Conditions

Bidder shall review and provide a response whether the contractual terms and conditions set forth in Part 1, Section 5 are agreeable. A detailed response is required if a bidder is not agreeable to one or more of the terms and conditions set forth in Part 1, Section 5, including down payment or progress payments.

9. Bidder's Nebraska Contractor Option Number.

Bidder must indicate their Nebraska Contractor Option number (1, 2 or 3) on Attachment A – Proposal Form. Bidder warrants that sales tax has been incorporated in its bid amounts as required by the State of Nebraska in accordance with its Contractor Option.