

LED Message Board RFP Q&A

Q. Will the following physical dimensions and weights be acceptable?

- a. Wall Mounted Sign: 4'8" High x 9'5" Wide, 315 lbs.
- b. Double Sided Sign: 4'8" High x 4'2" Wide, 140 lbs.

A. a. Yes. B. Yes

Q. The specification calls out Venus Control Suite for the Software but the specification also discusses Integration. Is Integration to an existing or new parking revenue control system or counts system required for this project?

A. Integration to the existing revenue control system. It is not required but would like the option to use some sort of feed to make parking space availability info available to the public. In other words, we would like the public to know how many open spaces there are in the parking garage before they enter. We want the count to automatically update as cars enter and exit via our parking revenue control system.

1. Page 3, Section 1, 1.2: Bid Doc states the procurement will be awarded to a single vendor. In our case, we – "Strategic Signage" - would be purchasing the Daktronics units directly and our subcontractor will be installing, with us managing the entire job. Is this acceptable?

A. Yes.

2. Can a site survey be completed prior to bid submission? If yes, when and who can we coordinate access with?

A. Yes. Sean Palladino 518-434-8886 ext 105.

3. What hours can work be performed at for this project? Green Street will need to be shut down at time of removals/installation. Will you provide street closure?

A. We would have to discuss hours based on events and traffic patterns. We can coordinate with the city of Albany to close the road down if necessary.

4. Do you need sign permits/road block permits procured?

A. A permit may be needed if a ROW is blocked. No sign permit needed

5. Will this project be considered Capital Improvement or Tax Exempt?

A. Tax Exempt.

6. Section 5, 5.4 states "Delivery: Proposal must include all charges to deliver the LED message boards to the Authority at 25 Orange Street, 45 Hudson Ave or 2 Columbia St, Albany NY 12207". Please clarify.

A. This just means that all costs for this project must be submitted in the proposal. No hidden costs.

7. Green St Elevation: Are the existing "GREEN & HUDSON MUNICIPAL PARKING GARAGE" letters to be removed also? Or only remove the "United States Post Office" sign? If only the "United States Post Office" sign is to be removed, do you intend for the new Daktronics message board to be installed underneath the existing letters and hang down off the brick wall by approximately 2.5 feet?

A. "GREEN & HUDSON MUNICIPAL PARKING GARAGE" letters to remain. "United States Post Office" sign is to be relocated as specified in section 2.2, Summary of the RFP. "PARK" sign under the United States Post Office" sign to be removed and disposed of.

8. Will you run the primary electrical feeds including ground wire for all of the new Daktronics message boards and leave in a junction box behind wall at proposed sign areas?

A. Yes. However, 2 to 3 weeks lead time will be needed to coordinate with our electrician and the sign vendor will need to specify the location for junction boxes.

9. Will you run a new primary feed including ground wire for the relocation of the "United States Post Office" sign and leave in a junction box behind wall at sign area?

A. Will have the electrician assess the wiring and make changes as needed.

10. Green St Elevation: What is inside that area of the building – occupied offices?

A. Parking garage

11. Page 6, Section 2, Summary: 1. (Green St Elevation) wall mounted message board is listed as 10' (w?) x 5' (h?). Confirm if 5'-0" high x 10'-0" wide.

- The closest available size is 4'-8" high x 9'-5" wide cabinet size with a 4'-2" high x 9'-2" wide live area. Confirm available size will work for your application.

A. That's acceptable.

12. Page 6, Section 2, Summary: 2. (Hudson Ave Elevation) double sided wall mounted message board is listed as 3'-8" (w?) x 4'-6" (h?). Confirm if 4'-6" high x 3'-8" wide.

- The closest size available to this is approximately 4'-8" high x 4'-2" wide cabinet size with an approximately 4'-2" high x 3'-11" wide active area. Confirm available size will work for your application.

A. That's acceptable

13. Bid Spec calls for 4G wireless cellular communications for each sign. Do you want to connect directly via your cellular service or do you want the private network Daktronics-Verizon Cellular option with yearly plan subscription?

A. Daktronics-Verizon Cellular

14. What type of integration, if any, is required? A. Is desired not required.
- Is the intent to display lot occupancy information? A. Correct.
 - Do you want to use the Venus Control Suite natively “out of the box” to play standard messages?
A. We currently use Venus Control Suite.
 - Which parking and revenue control system/software do you currently use at your garages? A. TIBA.
 - Do you intend to integrate the message boards with your existing control system and your RFP Bid 2018-02 (for the Parking Wayfinding Application Service “App” development)? A. Is not the intent.
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The units are to be provided with 4G wireless cellular connectivity hardware. Are we to include the cost for the cellular services in our bid and if so, for how long.

A. Yes. 5 years.

It is stated to provide software that will operate the displays. The software will be installed on computers provided by others?

A. We currently use Venus Control Suite.

The specification seems to limit the provision of the LED displays to a sole source manufacturer. Daktronics. Are other manufacturers product acceptable if they meet the performance listed? How do we get them approved also?

A. The answer would be no, unless other make and models can integrate with Venus Control Suite seamlessly. We currently have Daktronics signs that use Venus Control Suite.