



RFP for Painting of Street Elements on Wells Street in Old Town

The Old Town Merchants and Residents Association is a non-profit 501(c)(6) community-based organization with a focus on economic development and neighborhood stewardship. Old Town Merchants and Residents Association is the sole service provider for SSA #48 Old Town and seeks proposals for comprehensive painting services for SSA #48.

Background: SSA #48 (refer to *Exhibit A: SSA #48 Old Town Boundary Map*) is a special service area created on December 2, 2009 by the Chicago City Council. A Mayoral-appointed Commission directs the activities and expenditures of SSA #48 Old Town. The painting services sought are for the area of SSA #48 Old Town only.



Intent: SSA #48 Old Town intends to give Wells Street between North Avenue and Division a fresh coat of black paint. The decorative lamp poles on Wells Street are flaking at the bottom and at the top. There is a general graying effect spreading over the remainder of the surface. The other street elements including bike racks, sign posts, and garbage cans have stickers adhered to them and could also use a fresh coat of paint. Additionally, the historical markers lining Wells Street need a fresh coat of sage green paint.



Scope of Work: Each street element is to be wire brushed and/or sanded to remove rust and excess or existing paint, an application of one coat of primer (at minimum) is to be applied, followed by at least two coats of black paint. An appropriate paint type must be selected for use in on-street and all-weather conditions. The same is true for the historical markers but the paint color will need to be color matched. All painting work must be completed with proper permits obtained from the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) by the selected vendor. All vendors must maintain and provide proof of proper insurance for full installation and repainting as described herein. Once the work is complete, the area around the element must be returned to its original state without any paint stains or markings.



Additional Contract: If the responding firm has a wholesale price on public waste receptacles, a list of styles and prices is also requested. Additional receptacles are needed for the SSA #48 service area only. SSA #48 is looking to purchase creatively designed and environmentally friendly products.

Selection Process and Criteria: This RFP is for a one-time project to re-paint the street elements in Old Town. Commissioners from SSA #48 Old Town and staff will participate in the process of selecting the painting service. Proposals will be evaluated based on:

1. The firm's understanding of the process of obtaining permits from the City of Chicago to perform work on City property
2. Type and specification of materials to be used on street elements
3. Timeline for staff and overall project
4. Three references who are familiar with your work in this field
5. Budget
 - a. Cost of materials and list of tools to be used on project
 - b. Total amount of staff to be used for project, total cost of staff time
 - c. Cost per element to be prepared and painted
 - d. Cost of obtaining proper permits and permission from governing entities (CDOT), public way, Aldermanic offices (43rd and 27th Wards)



Total Number of Elements

Wells Street West

Decorative Street Lamps – 14
 Sign Poles – 28
 Garbage Cans – 7
 Bike Racks – 6

Wells Street East

Decorative Street Lamps – 20
 Sign Poles – 38
 Garbage Cans – 7
 Bike Racks – 4

North Avenue South

Sign Poles - 25
 Garbage Cans - 1
 Bike Racks - 2
 Street Lights – 13
 * One Traffic Camera Pole



North Avenue North

Sign Poles - 15

Garbage Cans - 1

Bike Racks – 5

Street Lights – 13

* Two Traffic Camera Poles

Total (for SSA #48)

Decorative Street Lamps - 34

Sign Poles - 106

Garbage Cans - 16

Bike Racks – 17

Street Lights – 26

* Three (3) total Traffic Camera Poles

* One (1) total Flaggpole

* One (1) total Decorative Utility Box

Proposals should be sent to:

jblick@oldtownchicago.org

(email is preferred)

Please respond no later than Wednesday, 11.30.11 at noon.

Or

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For pre-submission questions, please call John Blick, SSA #48 Program Manager at the Old Town Merchants and Residents Association Office. For more information on SSA #48 Old Town as an organization, please visit www.oldtownchicago.org/old-town-special-service-area.