

**PARAMOUNT THEATRE  
AUDIO IMPROVEMENTS  
CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, NEW YORK**

**MAY 20, 2020**

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## INVITATION TO BID

### CITY OF MIDDLETOWN ORANGE COUNTY- NEW YORK PARAMOUNT THEATRE AUDIO IMPROVEMENTS

Sealed Bids for the Paramount Theater Audio Improvements will be received by The City of Middletown Board of Estimate and Apportionment, at the office of the Office of Economic Development (16 James Street, Middletown, NY 10940), until 4:30 p.m. local time on June 11, 2020, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The City owns and operates the Paramount Theatre, a seven-day a week operation featuring first-run and classic movies; live music; comedy shows; and community-based dance recitals, concerts, and other entertainment. The Paramount is the largest single screen theater in Orange County, built in 1929 with 1,098 seats. The theatre attracts upwards of 45,000 to 50,000 people a year.

#### Description of Work:

The Project consists of installation of two new speaker hangs in the auditorium near the front end of the theatre above the stage, at both stage left and right, each supported by three rigging points from existing sloping roof beams. Three ½-ton chain hoists (16 fpm) are used at each side at the rigging points to hoist and trim the speaker stacks. Subwoofers will be flown behind the main speakers.

The speaker system shall be a left and right hang of L'Acoustics Kara model L-AC-KARA I and L-AC-SB18i boxes. 9 Kara speakers per side and 3 SB18 speakers per side. All appropriate L'Acoustics fly hardware is to be included such as bumper bars (4 X L-AC-M-BUMPi) and connection points for the motor hooks.

The Kara speakers will be flown in front of the flown subwoofers. Subwoofers shall be in a cardioid pattern with 3 subwoofers hung behind the Kara speakers. 3 chain motors will be in place to achieve this.

The speaker system shall also consist of 4 X L'Acoustics model L-AC-X8 front fill speakers for the stage.

The speaker system shall be controlled and powered by 4 X model L-AC-LA12X US amplified controllers and 1 X L\_AC\_LA4X US amplified controller.

The system will include:

4 X L-AC-DO25 CA-COM speaker cables (25m length)



2 X L-AC-DOFILL-LA8 speaker cable extensions CA-COM>2  
NL-4 (3.5m length)  
2 X L-AC-DO3WFILL speaker cable breakout for active 2 way  
+ subs.

The system shall also include a lockable, floor standing, steel equipment rack including a hinged door, proper ventilation and a power distribution system as needed.

The system shall be calibrated on-site by an L'Acoustics certified technician.

The speakers will lower onto the orchestra floor for access and maintenance. Each speaker array, including the hoist, electric cabling, and rigging, is estimated at 1,900 lbs.

Scope of Work:

- The scope of this bid includes the cost of the speaker systems, including hardware needed for rigging speakers to the chain hoist motors.
- The scope includes installing the speakers. Focus and testing/calibration is also included and must meet the manufacturer's system specifications.
- The scope also includes cost of the amplifiers, processors and a steel floor rack as described earlier.
- The scope includes whatever items are needed to allow the work to be completed in compliance with project documents and applicable codes and standards, including OSHA and other applicable workplace safety requirements.
- The scope of this bid **excludes** furnishing the speaker assemblies, furnishing and installing electrical service for speakers, furnishing chain hoists, and furnishing and installing electrical service for hoists. These excluded items will be supplied by the Owner.

**Bidder Requirements:**

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis.

Bidder must be within a 60 mile radius of 17 South Street, Middletown NY 10940 in order to provide necessary service in an emergency situation.

Bidder must have access to replacement components in case of system failure.

Complete electronic sets of the Contract Documents may be obtained from Mr. Ryan Graham, P.E. at McLaren via email ([rgraham@MGMcLaren.com](mailto:rgraham@MGMcLaren.com)) or telephone (201) 775-6000, ext. 3409.

Technical questions pertaining to the speaker bid package should be directed to Mr. Ken Jablonski at Aero Sound Company via email ([ken@aerosoundcompany.com](mailto:ken@aerosoundcompany.com)), or 845-425-6613.

Administrative and all other questions pertaining to the bid package shall be directed to Ms. Maria Bruni at the City of Middletown Office of Economic Development via email [mbruni@middletown-ny.com](mailto:mbruni@middletown-ny.com) or [telephone \(845\) 346-4170](tel:8453464170).

Bidders shall provide examples of a minimum of two projects demonstrating experience with the types of work involved in the Paramount Theatre project.

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11,246 and 11,375, which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. The City of Middletown is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. The successful bidder must be an equal opportunity employer, must meet all appropriate State and Federal standards, and comply with all relevant governmental regulations.

Statement of Non-Collusion: Bidders on the contract are required to execute a non-collusive bidding certificate pursuant to Section 103d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Sales and Use of Tax Exemptions: The City of Middletown is exempt from the payment of sales and compensation use taxes of the State of New York and of cities and counties on all materials, equipment, and

supplies sold to the City of Middletown pursuant to this contract. Also exempt from such taxes are purchases by the Contractor and his Subcontractors of materials, equipment, and supplies to be sold to the City of Middletown pursuant to this contract, including tangible personal property to be incorporated in any structure, building or other real property forming part of the project. These taxes are not to be included in the Bid.

Bidders are also required to comply with the provisions of Section 291-299 of the Executive Law of the State of New York.

Prevailing Wage rates apply regarding Labor and as per the New York State Department of Labor regulations.

Wage rates for this Project are subject to the minimum wage rates as per the New York State Department of Labor. In addition, the successful bidder will be required to comply with Section 816-b of the New York State Labor Law regarding apprenticeship program.

Bidders must provide a policy of insurance which names the City of Middletown as an additional insured including Waiver of Subrogation. The Policy of Insurance must contain the following minimum requirements:

General Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 per Occurrence/\$2,000,000.00 Aggregate Limits.

Blanket or Designated Additional Insured Endorsement.

Primary & Noncontributory Additional Insured Endorsement.

Workers Compensation & Employers Liability in an amount at least equal to New York Statutory Limits. Workers Compensation to include waiver of subrogation.

Thirty Day Notification Clause to additional insureds for cancellations, termination, or material changes in policy conditions.

All bids shall be binding for a period of forty-five (45) days after the bid opening date. The City of Middletown reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities therein.

Bidder must be able to commence work within 30 days upon award of project by the City.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest.

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

### **Audio Improvements at the Paramount Theatre-City of Middletown**

Bids will be received at the Office of Economic and Community Development until 4:30 pm (local time) on Thursday, June 11, 2020. All bidders are encouraged to visit the project site and to contact the Office of Economic and Community Development, for access to inside the building. Bids will be opened via video/tele-conference on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 4:30 pm at the Board of Estimate Meeting, City Hall, 16 James Street, Middletown, New York. The envelopes containing the Bids must be sealed, addressed to the:

Audio Improvements at the Paramount Theatre  
Office of Economic and Community Development  
16 James Street  
Middletown, NY 10940  
845-346-4170

Copies of the bid package are available digitally, [www.middletown-ny.com](http://www.middletown-ny.com), and also may be obtained through the Office of Economic and Community Development, 845-346-4170.

**STATEMENT OF NON-COLLUSION:** Bidders on Contracts are required to execute a non-collusive bidding affidavit pursuant to Section 103d of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

Subject to the provisions of Article 28, Part III of the New York State Tax Law and the provisions of the Contract Documents, the Owner is exempt from payment of sales and compensating use taxes of the State of New York and cities and counties on all materials supplied to the Owner pursuant to this contract.

The City of Middletown hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that regarding any contract entered pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color or national origin in consideration of an award.

The City of Middletown reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any formality or technicality in any bid in the interest of the City of Middletown.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Middletown will hold a Board of Estimate and Apportionment Meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2020, commencing at 4:30PM. The meeting shall be conducted via video/tele-conference and live on Channel 20 for viewing.

In order to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the City residents the Common Council will not have the public at this meeting but will be televised live on Channel 20. Members of the public may also access the meeting to ask questions by clicking on the link below:

<https://middletown-ny.digitaltownhall.com/>

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the meeting is being held in accordance with the New York State Public Officers Law and Executive order 202.1 ("EO 202.1") issued on March 12, 2020, by New Sate Governor Andrew Cuomo, which suspended Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meeting to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and late transcribed, etc.

For any person unable to participate at the time of meeting, email comments may be submitted in advance to [dparis@middletown-ny.com](mailto:dparis@middletown-ny.com)

Accordingly, **NO IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE IS PERMITTED FOR THE MEETING.** Public comment shall be permitted and all person participating shall be entitled to be heard. Please note that all meetings will be recorded.

By Order Of The Board of Estimate and Apportionment  
Joseph M. DeStefano, Chairman  
Maria Bruni, City of Middletown OECD Director