

April 21, 2006

Request for Proposal for Banking Services

The City of Ferndale invites full service local banking institutions with branches within the Ferndale city limits to submit proposals for the provision of banking services as described herein. The bank must be designated by the Washington State Public Deposit Protection Commission as a qualified public depository.

Written proposals will be received through close of business Friday, May 12, 2006, at Ferndale City Hall, Attention City Treasurer, P.O. Box 936, 2095 Main Street, Ferndale, WA, 98248.

The City maintains five separate checking accounts. (Claims (A/P), Payroll, Court Clearing, Credit Card, and Municipal Court)

Each month the City receives and sends at least 5 Electronic Fund Transfers (EFTs), and initiates at least 2 Automated Clearing House transactions for Payroll direct deposit.

Attached are copies of bank account and credit card activity for March, 2006 which is a typical month's activity.

Requirements:

Cleared checks are required to be returned to the City with the monthly bank statements.

Internet access to checking accounts including images (front and back) of cleared checks.

Armored Car deposit pickup and delivery is required during weekdays (except for bank holidays). Show this fee separately.

Automatic Overnight Investments: A daily "sweep" account is required for the Claims and Payroll accounts. The Claims and Payroll accounts therefore will have a zero balance at the end of each business day. The sweep account annual interest rate as at April 30, 2006, is required in the bank's submittal to the City; i.e. 75% of prime, 80 % of 180 day T-bill, etc.

Up to 10 MasterCard or Visa credit cards is required by the City. Include all fees and interest rates for these credit cards. Debit cards are not part of this proposal.

Include the Bank's comprehensive fee schedule, and any other material as desired. Selection will be based on the responsiveness of the proposal to the City's requirements.

If you require additional information, please call (360).384.4302.

Sincerely,

Mark Peterson, Treasurer