

Al Davidson (Temporary)

From: Gardner, Deb <dgardner@bouldercounty.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 12:36 PM
To: Al Davidson (Temporary)
Subject: RE: Meeting Follow up CLARIFICATION

Al,

I didn't do a reply all but could if you think it would work better. I was expecting to send my comments to you, then you would incorporate everyone's comments into one document. If there are conflicting comments then I guess we would need to figure out how to resolve that. But was hoping you would send us either a final draft or the actual document so that we could see what changes were made.

In the second paragraph, I would like to add "...which includes but is not limited to...". Hoping to make the request as broad as possible.

In the third paragraph, I would like to add at the end "...by July of 2014 but this date should not be considered a limiting factor when submitting your information." Again, hoping to keep the possibilities as expansive and future orientated as possible.

Under the "**Description of Information Requested**" I liked Wayne's comments during the meeting to make it more explicit that a vendor would not need to respond to all the requirements and Donetta's comments about the importance of being able to integrate with a variety of existing equipment. Would leave it up to you to word smith that.

This is more a question than a comment. I know that we spend a great deal of time doing ballot resolution. I am not familiar enough with all the phraseology to know if the need for equipment and systems to do that is implied in the potential requirements. Maybe you could let me know about that and if not I think it should be included.

Thanks
Deb

From: Al Davidson (Temporary) [<mailto:Al.Davidson@sos.state.co.us>]
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2013 8:29 AM
To: 'Connie Ingmire Morgan County'; Gardner, Deb; 'Debra Johnson Denver City and County'; Donetta Davidson; Faith Gross (fgross@thelegalcenter.org); 'Janak Joshi'; 'Lois Court'; Sheila Reiner Mesa Couty; 'Wayne Williams El Paso County'
Cc: Wayne Munster; Christi McElveen
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From: Al Davidson (Temporary)
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 10:37 AM
To: 'Wayne Williams'
Subject: RE: Meeting Follow up CLARIFICATION

I've added it. Thanks. (Thanks to Liz too)

Thanks,

Al

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Your thoughts on this?

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STAY CONNECTED:



From: Liz Olson
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2013 1:47 PM
To: Wayne Williams; Tim Bishop; Chuck Broerman; Jeff Weston; Angela Leath
Subject: RE: Meeting Follow up CLARIFICATION

The RFI doesn't request information on an electronic pollbook yet the epollbook is part of the definition document. It seems this should be included in the RFI.

Liz

From: Wayne Williams
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2013 10:27 AM
To: Tim Bishop; Chuck Broerman; Liz Olson; Jeff Weston; Angela Leath
Subject: FW: Meeting Follow up CLARIFICATION
Importance: High

Thoughts?

Al Davidson (Temporary)

From: Johnson, Debra - Clerk and Recorder <Debra.Johnson@denvergov.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 5:15 PM
To: Al Davidson (Temporary); Wayne Munster
Subject: Comments on RFI
Attachments: RFI Comments_2013-02-12.docx

Here are Denver's comments on the draft RFI. I think the 2 major issues are defining the customer and being more visionary in the request.

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Public Trustee

February 12, 2013

RFI Comments for UVS Project

It is imperative the customer be defined for the RFI. Elections are vested with constitutional officers and those officers are statutorily charged with the duty of conducting elections. As such, the State is not in a position to be regarded as the customer. Vendors who need to sell to 64 counties may well present different solutions and information than to a single customer.

Potential Requirements:

1. The systems being reviewed are contemplated for the entire 64 county usage. As such, certain information needs to be available statewide, not only county wide. An example would be whatever system is presented to deal with provisional ballots. The entire state database needs to be available to each county. Therefore, bandwidth is imperative.
2. The responders to this RFI are requested to present alternative, yet complimentary, ideas for the accomplishment of the listed requirements. Innovation, cutting edge technology and "thinking outside the box" is encouraged. While the RFI is written based on today's needs, we must look forward 5 to 10 years to leverage dollars and efficiency.
3. At this time Colorado contains several counties with a 2 language requirement. Other languages may become necessary for the future. The addition of those languages, should they need to be available to be provided but not required, are needed in all voting systems.
4. Question 2 – too limiting to print to a paper ballot for tabulation.
5. Systems presented are requested to provide software solutions versus hardware solutions, to provide for future changes and adaptations.

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Attachments: RFI UVS Draft REV 1-31 Manager approvedshe_cat.docx

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Sheila & Catherine

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As requested by the members at today's meeting, I have attached the revised meeting schedule, and MS Word copies of the Draft Definition and Scope statements as well as the Draft RFI.

State of Colorado

Department of State



Request for Information:

Unified Voting System for the State of Colorado

February xx, 2013

Colorado Department of State
Elections Division
1700 Broadway, Suite 200
Denver, CO 80290

Working Draft

Introduction

The Colorado Department of State (CDOS) is seeking information to potentially use in creating a formal Request for Proposal for establishing a Uniformified Voting System (UVS) to be used by the 64 counties in Colorado.

The UVS will be a major component of Colorado's larger comprehensive elections structure which includes elements related to voter registration, ballot creation and distribution, testing, voter eligibility, voting, ballot acceptance, vote tabulation, vote reporting and auditing.

Secretary of State Scott Gessler is proposing to establish a UVS within the State of Colorado and is soliciting information about what systems and products may be available for consideration. The UVS could be ready for implementation by July of 2014.

Purpose of this Request for Information

The purpose of this request is to gather information to assist the Secretary of State in making a determination as to the specific elements that should be included in a UVS. Information is being gathered to help the Secretary better understand the systems and products available.

This Request for Information (RFI) is solely for informational and planning purposes and does not constitute a formal solicitation for a product or service and may not directly result in an award or contract. Respondents are responsible for all expenses associated with responding to this request. The State of Colorado is under no obligation to pay for any information or ideas submitted in response to this RFI or for any of the costs incurred by any party as a result of this RFI. Responses will not be returned. However, after evaluation of the information submitted and the Secretary's determination of the specific elements to be included, and that one or more vendors may be able to provide the systems and products necessary to implement a UVS, one or more respondents may be invited to provide additional information about their product/service and/or submit a formal proposal for consideration.

Description of Information Requested

All vendors with a solution meeting the potential requirements outlined in this request are invited to submit a response that specifically addresses the potential requirements outlined in this request or offers a system or component alternatives not identified in this document. Respondents are encouraged to provide any additional relevant information or alternative considerations that may assist the Secretary of State in defining requirements and determining the specific elements to be included in the UVS. No confidential information should be submitted in a response to this request; all responses shall be considered public information in their entirety and will be handled as such.

Potential Requirements

The overall system proposed for implementation will not necessarily be a single vendor system, although that option is not excluded from consideration. Respondents to this RFI should provide any information relative to how their solution would address the potential requirements and needs.

The Secretary of State will accept information concerning systems which include any or all of the following:

- ~~1.~~ Provide for the design and creation, edit and production of ballots to be voted on paper or electronically which an individual voter may cast his or her ballot on all contests for which the voter is eligible.
- ~~2.~~
- ~~1-3.~~ Provide and for the importation of the electronic and paper ballots into an electronic voting tabulation unit or solution upon or through to accumulate and report results, which an individual voter may cast his or her ballot on all contests for which the voter is eligible. This solution may include high speed central scanners.
- ~~2-4.~~ Provide an ADA component that Capture the voter's vote electronically and provide for output to a paper ballot for tabulation by tabulation equipment ~~adhears to the requirements of HAVA.~~
- ~~3-5.~~ Provide a method for the voter to receive and visually verify that the correct ballot style is displayed in the electronic voting unit.
- ~~4-6.~~ Allow vote capture by electronic means in polling sites, Provides a solution that can be used in a Service Center atmosphere, meaning that it can provide voting on all ballot styles available within a county, designated County Election Office sites and Service Centers and provide for a voter-verifiable paper-audit trail.
- ~~5.~~ Allow vote capture by electronic means in polling sites, designated County Election Office sites and Service Centers and meet ADA standards, including providing the voter the opportunity to access an audio ballot and to cast a ballot privately and independently.
- ~~6.~~ Allow the importation of audio ballot content that may have been created externally.
- ~~7.~~ Allow the voter to review, change and confirm choices made while casting votes on the electronic vote capture system.
- ~~8-7.~~ Allow the casting of Provisional Ballots electronically and the segregation of these ballots from other ballots casts until adjudication of the ballots is accomplished Provides a solution for casting a provisional ballot at a Service Center.
- ~~9-8.~~ Allow the reporting of accepted Provisional Ballots as an individual category along with such other categories as the State of Colorado may require including but not limited to: ballots cast during Early Vote, on Election Day and by mail. Allow reporting by vote method, including Allow the centralized accumulation and reporting of all votes cast and the reporting of such votes by

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method cast including as well as Provisional Ballots. Reporting should be in a standard format for upload to a statewide results system.

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~~11. Provide for accumulation and reporting of all votes cast by electronic means.~~

~~12.10 Allow accumulated election results to be audited in a "risk limiting audit" or other auditing method to ensure accuracy via a single vote cast record.~~

~~13. Allow printing of a removable paper copy of results, at the polling site, from each individual electronic voting unit used at the polling site.~~

~~14. Provide for the design and development of paper ballots, by ballot style, precinct, on two-sided ballot pages and multiple page ballots for issue via mail, at polling sites, County Elections Offices and Service Centers.~~

~~15.11. Provide for the printing of paper ballots "on demand" for issue via US Mail, at polling sites, through County Elections Offices and Service Centers. Ballot on Demand options at Election offices and Service Centers.~~

~~16.12. Provide for accumulation and reporting of votes, in a central count environment, which were cast on paper ballots.~~

~~17.13. Allow the centralized accumulation and reporting of all votes cast and the reporting of such votes by method cast including Provisional Ballots~~

~~18. Allow the centralized accumulation and reporting of all votes cast and the reporting of such votes by candidate, yes/no and contest within each precinct in the election.~~

~~19.14. Allow secure electronic delivery and return of ballots for voters qualifying under the Uniform and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) and other such voters as may be allowed by federal or Colorado law to receive or cast ballots by secure electronic delivery methods.~~

~~20.15 Allow automated verification of voter signatures via comparison with voter registration file signatures and the signatures provided on mail ballot return envelopes. These systems must provide a means to calibrate acceptance criteria.~~

~~21.16. Provide automated sortation of mail ballot envelopes to various jurisdictional or precinct level divisions.~~

~~22.17. Provide, possibly in conjunction with sortation or signature verification, the attachment of a date stamp and milling to of the mail ballot envelope.~~

~~23.18. Allow the application of secure seals to all vulnerable access points on the equipment following testing, during storage and transport, during actual election use periods, following the close of the voting period and any time beyond that specified by law or rule. Provide a solution~~

for security of the entire system, including physical security, data integrity measures, contingencies and back-up plans.

19. Allow Provide a solution for electronic inventory tracking of voting equipment and/or GPS for physical coordinates.

20. Provides options to either pre-test election definition and equipment performance, parallel test, or both.

21. Provides maintenance, operational, instructional and training materials that is necessary to install, deploy and operate the system.

24-22. Allows for vendor, county, state, or third party support, (independence).

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For the purposes of this solicitation, "system(s)" shall mean all mechanical, electromechanical, manual and electronic components necessary to accomplish the described task.

References to electronic voting units could include DREs, and Ballot Marking Devices or any other similar solution.

All peripherals work in this system with seamless interface.

Note: Where appropriate, systems must be able to provide content and instructions in both English and Spanish.

Support

Responses should address available support and help desk services. In particular, responses should discuss technical service and help desk service available to the State and counties during the installation phase of the project as well as such services available during the life of the system.

Company Overview

Respondents to this RFI should include a brief company overview describing the company's relevant experience and qualifications with the systems and products described in the response. Responses should discuss relevant staffing considerations and unique qualifications. Responses should include a discussion of any election challenges, successful security attacks, or breaches as well as any federal or state certification acceptances or denials. Responses should also discuss relevant timelines for a project that might be implemented for the 2014 General Election.

How to Respond

Responses to this RFI will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. MT, on xxxxxxxxxxxx.

All Responses must be received by the deadline above and must be sent in both hard and electronic copy to:

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Email: al.davidson@sos.state.co.us
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Note: Receipt of any response by email by the specified deadline shall constitute timely submission if the hard copy of the submission is received by CDOS not later than the third business day following the specified deadline.

For your information we have attached documents adopted by the Unified Voting System Advisory Committee as well as the current working timeline.

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From: Donetta Davidson <davidsondonetta@gmail.com>
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I loved what Sheila had changed. Sorry I hadn't taken more time to review and give feed back. Donetta

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 13, 2013, at 10:49 AM, "Al Davidson (Temporary)" <Al.Davidson@SOS.STATE.CO.US> wrote:

Sheila,

Thank you for taking the time to present detailed edits. We have included some of your suggestions.

I am keeping your version with the proposed changes because I think many of the items you suggested will be helpful in development of the final detailed system requirements in the RFP.

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Deb

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