

City of Camden
Bid Proposal: Clock Tower Restoration Project

Project Overview

The City of Camden invites qualified contractors to submit bids for the restoration of the City's historic Clock Tower, which is attached to a private development building, currently being repurposed into a boutique hotel. The project scope includes pressure washing, painting the wooden structure of the tower (spire at the top), and installing new plexiglass in the bell tower windows.

Scope of Work

- Pressure wash the exterior structure of the historic Clock Tower using low pressure washing methods that are appropriate for historic buildings to remove dirt, mold, and any deteriorated material.
- Prepare and paint the two architectural entrances at ground level to include four columns (exterior only) and the wooden surfaces of the tower spire with appropriate methods and materials suitable for historic structures and outdoor exposure.
- Remove and replace existing plexiglass in the bell tower windows with new, durable plexiglass panels. The windows are arched in design and are approximately 12.5 feet tall by 4.5 feet wide.
- Contractors must ensure all work preserves the integrity and historic character of the tower.

Project Timeline

- Mandatory Prebid Meeting & Site Visit: Mon. June 15 at 11am. Attendance is required for all prospective bidders to conduct a full assessment of the project. We will meet at City Hall (1000 Lyttleton Street) and walk up to the clock tower site.
- Sealed bids Due Mon. June 29, 2026
- Project Start Date: July 2026
- Completion Date: No later than 60 calendar days from start date. (by or before September)

Submission Requirements

- Proof of experience with historic structure restoration.
- Detailed cost proposal including labor, materials, equipment, and any other associated costs.
- Project schedule showing a commitment to the timeline.
- References from previous projects.
- Certificate of Insurance verifying the Contractor has Workman's Compensation Insurance. The certificate of insurance shall name the City of Camden as the "Additional Insured."
- Certificate of Insurance verifying the contractor has General Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 or the equivalent in excess or umbrella insurance.

- Certificate of Insurance for company that supplies any crane or lift that verifies they have Workman's Compensation Insurance and General Liability Insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.

Mandatory Prebid Meeting

A mandatory Prebid meeting and site visit will be held to allow prospective bidders to fully assess the work site and project requirements. **Bidders who do not attend Prebid will not be considered.**

Bid Submission

All bids must be submitted electronically via the SCBO online platform at <https://scbo.sc.gov/online-edition> by the deadline specified in the official bid notice.