

REQUEST FOR METAL ARCHWAY PROPOSALS

City of Concord's Downtown Center City District

BUDGET: - \$10,000 - \$15,000

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Thursday, July 31st, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

PROJECT: Metal archway for a pedestrian walkway in the Downtown Center City District

LOCATION: Union Street entrance of Union-Market Passageway (Map included)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The City of Concord (City) is seeking qualified artists, metalworkers, fabricators, designers or other qualified individuals/companies to create a decorative archway to be installed between two buildings, opening to a pedestrian walkway. Applicants should submit illustrative proposals within the selected budget. Multiple proposals are welcome and encouraged, should the applicant choose to submit several designs with varying prices within the stated range.

PROJECT CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

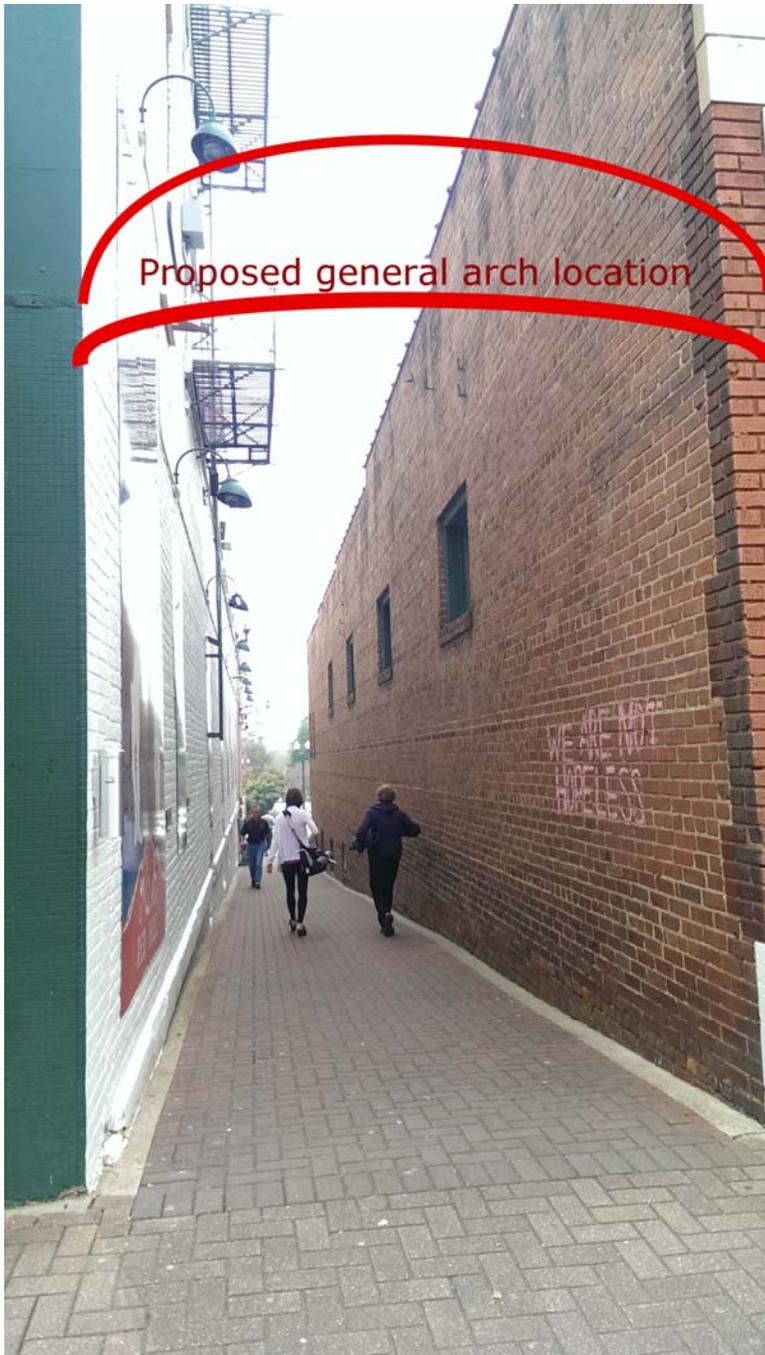
The proposed metal archway will be located between two buildings leading to a recently revitalized pedestrian walkway connecting two downtown streets (Market Street and Union Street.) The subject walkway is approximately eight (8) feet wide with the topography sloping downward an entire story towards Market Street.

In 2003, the City partnered with the Cabarrus Arts Council and the Concord Downtown Development Corporation for a mural project in the subject location. Over the last two years, the same organizations have again partnered to rejuvenate the walkway. The building has been repainted, new lighting installed, artwork created, and individual plaques mounted, describing the history behind each piece of artwork. This portion of the project was completed in 2013 and resulted in a timeline of Concord's history. Images depict historic buildings no longer in existence, using modern artwork techniques to create a unique display of Concord's early history.

PUBLIC ART BUDGET

The maximum budgeted amount for this project is \$15,000. This amount includes all possible related expenses including but not limited to design, fabrication, installation, travel, etc. Applicants should consider the budgeted range and submit a proposal(s) that includes a detailed design including an image, materials used, method of installation, and prices for each proposal.





SCOPE OF WORK/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Applicants should submit at least one proposal for the design fabrication and installation of a metal archway. However, we encourage the submittal of multiple designs with varying price points and levels of decorative design should the applicant so choose. The preferred material is wrought iron but other forms of metal will be considered. At some point, (if not now) we intend to have signage included as part of the archway. The pedestrian walkway is named “Union-Market Passageway.” Applicants are also encouraged to include the passageway identification title, if it can be accomplished within the stated budget. Applicants should visit the site and review the passageway, artwork, and surrounding area to establish consistency. The archway should be designed in a manner that is structurally sound in fabrication and installation.

QUALIFICATIONS

Preferred qualifications include experience with public metalwork/art projects involving a similar budget, scale and scope; experience integrating metalwork into pedestrian-friendly walkways and streetscapes; as well as experience working with

community stakeholders. Applicants must be American citizens or legal residents aged 18 years or older.

SELECTION PROCESS

A Council appointed Public Art Committee, consisting of members of the Cabarrus Arts Council, Concord Downtown Development Corporation, City of Concord Planning and Neighborhood Development staff, and City Council members will review submittals. The committee will review application materials and make a final decision. The committee reserves the right to reject any or all entries at any time in the review and selection process.

APPLICATION MATERIALS TO BE SUBMITTED

1. Please submit three (3) printed copies of the following materials and one (1) digital copy:
2. Current resume (max. 2 pages) outlining your professional accomplishments relative to metalwork for public or private installation.
3. Project description (max. 2 pages) describing your proposal and vision for the project.
4. Design proposal including clear and decipherable renderings, materials, specifications, installation methods and the associated fee for each proposal, should you include more than one design.
5. **Up to** 12 images of similar work created since 2009. Images should be no larger than 4x6". These should include the location of installation and date created/installed.
6. Names and phone numbers for three (3) professional references.

HOW TO APPLY

All applicants should submit the application materials to:

City of Concord Planning and Neighborhood Development

Attn: Starla Rogers

P.O. Box 308

Concord, NC 28025

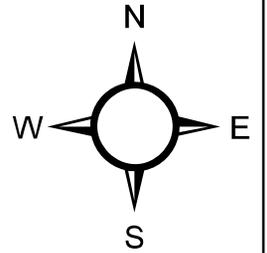
Or by email at:

Rogers@concordnc.gov

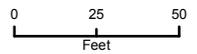
Staff/Contact Name and Information

- Starla Rogers – Planning and Neighborhood Development Planner
(704) 920-5136 Rogers@concordnc.gov
- Margaret Pearson – Planning and Neighborhood Development Director
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Union-Market Passageway Map



Coordinate System - NC State Plane NAD83



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