



Tacoma Public library

Questions and Answers

Downtown Library Partner-Tenants RFP Specification No. LB23-0292F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Ryan Foster, Senior Buyer by date questions were due. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org. Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities / Services Solicitations](#), and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

1. Question: Is there an expected deadline for the building to be finished?

Answer: We are tentatively expecting to be permitted for occupancy by mid-August and reopened by October – but this is a construction project, and other delays are possible.

2. Question: As instructors for adult classes sometimes the music is not family friendly, would this be an issue?

Answer: The answer to this is nuanced, as it would depend on a number of factors. Essentially, it would need to be clear that the class is not a TPL-sponsored class; if the class is outside of library hours and the volume either does not disturb other partner-tenants or is contained within your space, this would not be an issue. If it was during library hours we would ask that volume is contained within your space and that some type of notice is posted. Strictly speaking, the Library has no policies restricting speech but we do try to create a welcoming environment, and be aware of (and mitigate when possible) impacts on a wide range of audiences.

3. Question: We don't have a landlord. What should we submit in lieu of landlord references?

Answer: Any kind of professional reference either somehow related to the work and/or the persons proposing to do the work would be fine

4. Question: On the signature page it asks for Contractor's License Number. Do we leave it blank if we are not a contractor?

Answer: Yes please leave that blank.