

Interested Parties Meeting

City Hall Audio/Visual (AV) Modernization Project

Council Chambers, Conference Rooms 1A/1B

July 7, 2025



Background

- Control Room, Chambers and conference rooms 1A/1B used for broadcasting public meetings to community.
- Current equipment installed in 2010 with updates in 2014. Some equipment predates 2010.
- The entire system has surpassed its end of life.
- Support and parts are not available.



Stakeholder Input

- “Heavy users” of the areas
 - Council members (including a walkthrough of the impacted areas)
 - Boards/Commissions that are broadcast
 - Events crew
- Staff
 - Staff liaisons to Boards/Commissions
 - Information Technology staff
 - Strategic Plan team leads
- Accessibility
 - Members of the Disabilities Commission
- Public—July 7, 2025
(staff to take input in lobby following this presentation)



Goals

Comprehensive audiovisual technology maintenance, which includes:

- Modernizing/standardizing the infrastructure
- Improving system reliability
- Enhancing visual quality of scheduled and live broadcasts
- Streamlining operations for seamless content delivery
- Improving AV capabilities in conference rooms 1A/1B
- Ensuring compliance with ADA accessibility requirements



Scope of Services Overview

- A modernized system with advanced features to enhance broadcasting, communication, collaboration, and presentation experiences while ensuring high-quality audio and visual performance for an optimal user experience
- A simplified and optimized AV system architecture with improved serviceability, maintenance, interconnection with City of Columbia IT, troubleshooting and abilities for remote support
- Industry standard interfaces and intuitive controls
- Meet ADA accessibility requirements
- Incorporates future-proofing elements such as scalability, adaptability and compatibility with emerging technologies as well as integration with virtual meeting components
- Reliability and durability to ensure consistent performance

Next Steps

- Funds budgeted in FY25
(may be encumbered into FY26)
- Issuance of RFP by the end of next week
- Pre-proposal tour for potential offerors
- Review/evaluation of proposals
- Selection of vendor and execution of contract
- Procurement of equipment, schedule installation with efforts to minimize impact to meetings and broadcasts



Questions?

