



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RFP # 17-76**

Acquisition of Shared Kitchen Space by Lease for Arts Council "Nibble" Program

The City of Somerville, acting through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for a lease of commercial space for use as a shared kitchen as part of the Somerville Arts Council's "Nibble" program.

A request for proposals (RFP) and specifications may be obtained online at <http://archive.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids> and from the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after Wednesday, June 14, 2017. Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until June 28, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at which time sealed proposals will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The preferred space must be located in Union Square, ideally in a highly visible site on Somerville Avenue. At a minimum, the preferred space will be large enough to accommodate a full culinary kitchen with the opportunity for a small tasting counter or opportunity for flexible shared seating for a full-service restaurant. Additionally, the space would include adequate in-unit storage space. There are no parking requirements for the use of the space. The space would have access to loading areas for deliveries. The shared kitchen will have typical restaurant power/utility/phone/data needs. Target start date of the lease is during the summer of 2017. The term will be for at least three years with options to renew. All property leases held by the City of Somerville are subject to approval by the Board of Aldermen.

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