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Bidding opens for streetcar construction contracts; proposals due June 1

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Milwaukee on Monday opened the bidding for the downtown streetcar system, and gave contractors until June 1 to submit proposals to lead the project.

The company that wins the contract will manage the initial downtown streetcar loop and a loop to the downtown lakefront. The work will last until the end of 2018, but most of the mainline track work on the downtown line will be done between the fourth quarter of 2016 and the end of 2017. The overall projects will cost \$128 million, including engineering and purchases of streetcar vehicles, which are being done under separate contracts.

Under that timeline, service would start on the initial downtown streetcar line in fall 2018. The spur to the lakefront is expected to start service in 2019, but engineers are still mapping out that route.

The extensive contract will cover installation of the streetcar rails in the roadway, poles and supports for overhead track lines and stations at the passenger stops.



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Rendering of the Milwaukee streetcar to be manufactured by Brookville Equipment Corp.

The initial line will run between the Milwaukee Intermodal Station, through downtown and north to Prospect Avenue at Ogden Avenue. Stations include a stop outside the **Milwaukee Public Market** on St. Paul Avenue, two on East Wisconsin Avenue at Milwaukee Street and North Broadway, north of Cathedral Square on Kilbourn Avenue and at the East Pointe Market Place on Ogden Avenue.

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