

## **Request for Proposals**

### **VIP Catering Services Delivered to the 2023 Philadelphia Marathon Weekend**

#### **Questions and Responses**

1. When reviewing the times that food would be offered we found a gap on Saturday and Sunday of Marathon Weekend:

- Saturday - The times show that the Breakfast Buffet will end at 9am and the Lunch Buffet will not begin to be served until 11:30am, however it's previously been served at 9AM.

**RESPONSE:** We expect that breakfast will be served exclusively until 9am. From 9am-11:30am, we expect a transitional period where food and beverages will still be available for guests in sufficient quantities, but that the menu during this period may be comprised of some combination of breakfast and lunch items. At 11:30am, a full transition to the lunch menu is expected.

- Sunday - The Breakfast Buffet end at 1030am and Lunch Buffet does not start until 11:00am? We are concerned about the gap in time.

**RESPONSE:** We expect that breakfast will be served exclusively until 10:30am. From 10:30am-11:00am, we expect a transitional period where food and beverages will still be available for guests in sufficient quantities, but that the menu during this period may be comprised of some combination of breakfast and lunch items. At 11:00am, a full transition to the lunch menu is expected.

2. Please provide clarification on the "Cook Tent". On page 3 of the RFP, the cook tent was described at 10' X 20' tent. On page 4, there is discussion of a cooking structure with metal roof, and it is not clear if those dimensions are included in the 10" X 20 " tent. This space is very small to house all equipment and food. Please provide additional information regarding this space.

**RESPONSE** – The actual cooking structure (with metal roof) will be 10'x20' in size. This is a requirement set forth by the Philadelphia Fire Department to prevent fires stemming from open flame and/or grease-laden vapors. A 20'x40' membrane tent structure will also be provided for food prep, storage, warming, etc.

3. Please confirm if the entire cooking area will have a wooden floor in place.

**RESPONSE:** The entire cooking area will be floored with composite, interlocking, ground contour tent flooring. Wood panels will also be made available as needed.

4. Is there going to be an enclosed walkway between the VIP Tent and the Cooking tent so there is space to store linen and other supplies needed for the event?

**RESPONSE:** Yes.