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Solicitation No.: RFP220375DWJ

Solicitation Name: Right of Way Mowing for DOT

Subject: Addendum Number 2

The following represents clarification, additions, deletions, and/or modifications to the above referenced bid. This addendum shall hereafter be regarded as part of the solicitation. Items not referenced herein remain unchanged, including the response date. Words, phrases or sentences with a strikethrough represent deletions to the original solicitation. Underlined words and bolded, phrases or sentences represent additions to the original solicitation.

1. DETAIL SPECIFICATIONS ARTICLES ADD

The following articles shall be added to the Detailed Specifications of this project:

11. MOWING MAINTENANCE

- 11.1. Contractor will provide all labor, materials, equipment, permits, and incidentals necessary to perform the following: Mowing, Trimming, Mowing and Edging Clean-Up, Litter Pick-up and Debris Removal, and Edging.

12. MOWING, TRIMMING

- 12.1. Mow all Bahia sod areas at a height of four to five inches (4"-5") with a rotary mower. String trim around all signs, mailboxes, fire hydrants, drainage structures, utility boxes/poles, etc. Mowing consists of ten (10) cycles, as needed to maintain an attractive, even sodded area, generally in the months of October, November, December, February, April, May, June, July, August, and September, but to be adjusted as needed per weather conditions.
- 12.2. Please refrain from mowing sod clippings into the tree rings where possible. Avoid damage to the tree rings as most contain funny tubing and bubblers.
- 12.3. Any irrigation equipment, signs, mailboxes, fire hydrants, drainage structures, utility boxes, etc., damaged by mowing or trimming will be repaired at the vendor's expense. Any damage shall be reported by the vendor in writing, email, or text within 24 hours to the County Representative. Damage to stop signs shall be reported immediately by vendor to County Representative.
- 12.4. Mowing wet grass or operating with dull blades shall be avoided. Lee County DOT will not pay for mowing that is done at such a high speed as to cause the grass to be torn or laid over.
- 12.5. The County reserves the right to add or eliminate a cycle. The county shall contact the Contractor a minimum of one (1) week ahead of scheduled cycle for cancellation. If the Contractor feels that an extra mowing is warranted, please notify the County Representative immediately. Any extra mowing charges submitted without prior approval will be denied.
- 12.6. Lee County DOT requires that all locations in Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 be cut completely each time at a mowing cycle. No partial cuts or partial payments will be made unless specifically agreed to by both parties prior to the partial mowing. If the contractor fails to meet the required complete cycle, he will be assessed a penalty equal to 5% of the total on cycle mowing charge for all locations awarded to that vendor for each day that exceeds the complete cycle duration. The actual length of the cycle will be based on the contractors' log, which is to be submitted by email and verified by the County Representative.
- 12.7. Mow within 1'-2' of waterline, tree line, fence line, or ROW line to the extent of a batwing mowers reach as conditions allow.
- 12.8. Mow all other ROW areas, including steep slopes and wet areas to within 1'-2' of tree line, fence line, or ROW line twice annually, once beginning May 1 and once beginning December 1 with a machine equipped with a 4'-5' rotary mower attached to a 21ft. or greater boom. Complete each boom mowing cycle within 90 days Countywide. In case of breakdown, repairs shall be made within 7 days or secure a replacement machine or method.

13. Mowing and Edging Clean-Up

13.1. Roadway, Parking Lots, curb and gutter, sidewalk and bike paths shall be blown free of clippings in conjunction with mowing and edging events. Do not leave large clumps of grass clippings in the roadways, mowing areas, or on sidewalks. **In accordance with the Lee County Fertilizer BMP ordinance section 7, subsection G: grass clippings shall not be directed into storm drains, ditches, conveyances, water bodies, roadways, or any other impervious surfaces. All curbs are to be cleaned of mulch debris with each visit to the site.**

14. Litter Pick-up and Debris Removal

14.1. Clean-up all litter in all areas within the project's limits during each site visit. Litter and debris shall be removed prior to mowing and any debris thrown or dragged to adjacent property or roadways by mowing operations shall be cleaned-up. Litter and debris shall be removed and disposed of at a County approved disposal site. No litter shall be left on site after the Contractor departs. There will be no additional cost to Lee County for litter and debris disposal.

14.2. Litter and Debris is defined as foreign items within the limits of the project such as, but not limited to, palm fronds, paper, plastic, aluminum, metal, glass, and tires, etc. If an illegal dump is located (defined as: centralized piles of debris, construction materials or large items such as mattresses, or household appliances) within the limits of the project, the contractor is to contact the County Representative and report the event. The contractor will not be held responsible for the cleanup of illegal dumping.

15. Edging

15.1. Edging is only performed for Arterial and Collector roads each cycle to keep curbs and sidewalks weed free. Edging shall be performed with rigid blade edging equipment or manual hand edger leaving a clean straight edge no more than 1" back from curbs, walks, buildings, tree rings, or bed areas.

15.2. Tree rings and bed areas shall be repaired and restored when disturbed by the mowing function or by irrigation washouts, at no additional cost to the County. Any trees or shrubs damaged from errant string trimmer or careless mowing will be replaced with like size, Florida #1 grade material at the cost of the Contractor.

End of Detailed Specifications

2. ATTACHMENT: (1)

- Areas 1 – 6 Contract Mowing Street List

3. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

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| 1. | When does the current annual contract expire? |
| Answer | The current annual contract B170233KLC expires on 2/14/2023. |

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| 2. | Are there CPI adjustments on the renewals? |
| Answer | Cost price increases for contract renewals shall be submitted in writing to the Department and include justification for the cost increase. The County reserves the right to accept or reject the price increases for any reason. |

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| 3. | Who is the current vendor for the existing annual contract? |
| Answer | JSM Services, Inc. |

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| 4. | Is there a list of Lee County Arterial and Collector roads? |
| Answer | Not currently up to date. Individual roads can be researched at leegov.com/departments/transportation/county_maintained_roads. |

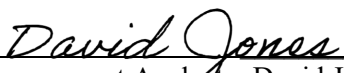
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| 5. | Does this contract require the vendor to have a boom mower? |
| Answer | Yes |

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| 6. | Is a County DOT project manager or field assistant assigned to the crew to assist with field decision making when determining what areas require a boom mower? |
| Answer | Yes |

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| 7. | At the time of bid are proposers required to have their IMOT certificate? |
| Answer | Yes, per article 3 of the Special Conditions, "You must have an IMOT Certificate at the time you submit your bid." |
| 8. | Is the awarded vendor going to receive all sections within the scope of work? |
| Answer | It is the intent of the COUNTY to award this project to one (1) Vendor. |
| 9. | Does boom mowing require pushing back brush? |
| Answer | Boom mowing will be grass only, and does not include pushing back peppers, invasive species, or brush. |
| 10. | Is edging every cycle? |
| Answer | Yes, edging is every cycle. |
| 11. | Do you require a truck to follow behind crews for traffic control |
| Answer | Yes, proper FDOT MOT is required. |
| 12. | Confirming that the previous contract did not have the requirement of using a Boom Mower with a minimum of 21-foot reach to mow all the ditches which is now in this contract correct? |
| Answer | Correct |
| 13. | The previous contract was only 7 cycles not 10 that's required in this contract? |
| Answer | Correct |
| 14. | Is string trimming required to be done at the same time each road is mowed? |
| Answer | Yes |
| 15. | The previous contract only required edging as needed which at the pre-bid was said to have been done roughly 3 times per year. This contract it looks like you have to edge all 10 cycles. Is that correct? |
| Answer | Yes, correct. |

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ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS ARE AND SHALL REMAIN THE SAME.


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