

INVITATION TO QUOTE/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NOTICE BOTANICAL GARDEN LANDSCAPE SERVICES <u>Instructions to Proposers</u>

I. <u>Introduction</u>

City Park Conservancy (CPC) is issuing an Invitation to Quote/Request for Proposals for **Botanical Garden Landscape Services**. CPC is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation that manages and oversees the day-to-day operations of New Orleans City Park ("City Park") a 1300-acre public park in New Orleans, Louisiana, founded 170 years ago. Open year-round, the 10-acre New Orleans Botanical Garden contains more than 2,000 varieties of plants from around the world.

CPC is soliciting quotes/proposals for a three-year Master Services Contract for Landscape Services for the City Park Botanical Garden as set forth in more detail in the Project Scope Statement attached as Exhibit A. City Park reserves the right to award multiple Master Services Contracts and may award more than one service provider.

For questions regarding this solicitation, please contact Courtney Charbonnet, Manager of Purchasing & Contract Services (ccharbonnet@nocp.org).

II. Timeline

Solicitation Release: March 1, 2024
Questions Deadline: March 8, 2024
Responses to Questions Sent: March 15, 2024
Proposals Due: March 29, 2024
Anticipated Project Award: April 5, 2024

III. Response

Proposers must include in their Responses all requested information in the Proposal Specifications. Responding to this Invitation does not guarantee work or a contract. CPC will award the contract in its sole discretion. All Responses are due by 12:00pm CST on March 29, 2024 and may be submitted in any of the methods listed below. All provisions in this Invitation become binding on the selected Contractor(s) and will be made part of the Master Services Agreement.

Email: ccharbonnet@nocp.org

OR

<u>Hand Delivery</u>: Responses should be presented in a sealed envelope with the project

name listed.

IV. Contract

The selected respondent will enter into a MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT with City Park Conservancy.



$\frac{\text{ATTACHMENT A}}{\text{PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS}}$

- Proposers should submit responses to this Invitation to Quote to Courtney Charbonnet (Manager of Purchasing & Contract Services) electronically (<u>ccharbonnet@nocp.org</u>) or in person at 1 Palm Drive, New Orleans on or before 12:00 pm March 29, 2024.
- 2. City Park Conservancy is soliciting quotes/proposals to obtain a three-year Master Services Agreement for Landscape Services at the City Park Botanical Garden.
- 3. City Park Conservancy reserves the right to select more than one service provider for scopes identified in Exhibit A.
- 4. Proposers may provide a quote for one, or more, or all of the scopes identified in Exhibit A, but preference will be given to proposers for quote all Bid Items.
- 5. Proposers acknowledge that even upon entering into a Master Services Agreement, selected Contractors must still provide invoices for work performed and receive an approved Purchase Order from City Park Conservancy to receive payment.
- 6. Proposers may elect to request a site visit of the Botanical Garden prior to submitting a proposal. Any such request shall be sent to Courtney Charbonnet (Manager of Purchasing & Contract Services) electronically (ccharbonnet@nocp.org).

Requirements:

- 1. Proposers must have a minimum of three (3) years prior experience with the landscape services identified in Exhibit A.
- 2. If certain equipment requires specific training or certification, proposer agrees to provide technicians with such certification or subcontract certified technicians as necessary.
- 3. All work shall be performed by and under the supervision of skilled experienced personnel that have the appropriate licenses for the work being performed and must be directly employed and supervised by the selected Contractor(s).
- 4. Selected Contractor(s) will not perform any services beyond the scope of work requested by City Park Conservancy unless prior written approval is provided.

Work Schedule:

- 1. Anticipated working days are set forth in Exhibit A.
- 2. Access to the premises outside of anticipated working hours shall be coordinated in advance.

Supplies and Equipment:

- 1. The Contractor shall furnish:
 - All labor, equipment, supplies, and materials.
 - o All required safety equipment and fall protection equipment for all staff in compliance with all applicable health and safety regulations.
 - o All lifts and/or heavy equipment required for the performance of the work.
- 2. The Contractor shall be responsible for the security of its equipment and material on site. City Park Conservancy will not take any responsibility for missing or damaged equipment, tools, or personal belongings.

Safety:

- 1. The Contractor must ensure all work is performed in accordance with all local, state, and federal laws, rules, and regulations, including OSHA safety regulations.
- 2. City Park Conservancy reserves the right to request the removal from the work site any supplies and/or equipment that does not meet City Park Conservancy's standards and regulations. In addition, City Park Conservancy may request the halt of any unsafe practices observed in carrying out the contracted service. This will in no way relieve the Contractor of complying with the contract requirements.
- 3. The Contractor will ensure that their safety plan is current and updated.

Contractor's Employees:

- 1. Contractor personnel shall have identification with them at all times while on City Park property.
- 2. Contractor personnel shall not use any City Park Conservancy equipment or supplies without the express permission of City Park Conservancy.
- 3. Contractor personnel shall not smoke within 25 feet of any building.
- 4. Contractor personnel shall not be present on City Park property while under the influence of drugs or alcohol or any substance which affect or could affect judgment, performance, or safety.
- 5. Contractor personnel shall adhere to the City Park Contractor Conduct Requirements attached hereto.

<u>Proposal Specifications</u> (including all acknowledgements contained herein):

1.	Acknowledge that bid prices do <u>not</u> include sales tax for materials purchases, as City Park
	Conservancy will provide a Contractor Sales Tax Exemption Certificate.
	Initials

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Scope of Work Items and Quoted Rates				
<u>ltem</u>	<u>Description</u>	Quote Price		
Item A – Japanese Yews	• 4 Trimmings to be completed by March 25, May 25, June 25, September 25			
Item B - Yaupons	Trimming to be completed by March 15, June 15, September 15			
Item C – Asian Jasmine	Trimming to be completed by March 20, May 20, July 20, September 20			
Item D - lawns	 Turf Care Program of existing lawns (excludes mowing, edging and overseeding) includes the following: January 15 – broadleaf preemergent, repair and level lawns from foot traffic April 15 – aerate and fertilize July 1 – fertilize August 15 – general preemergent 			

Item E – Lawn Resod (one-time)	 Runway Lawn Length from Lily Pond to Pavilion Complete resod with Palisade Zoysia 	
Item F – Irrigation Repairs	 Provide On Call or Labor pricing for service within the Botanical Garden As-needed repair work to existing systems Rate should include all levels of technician and/or equipment rates 	Rates Per Hour
Item G – Living Wall Maintenance	 6 times a year (Jan, March, May, July, Sept and Nov) Replace material and containers as necessar Inspect and ensure irrigation system is operating as prescribed 	

3.	3. Provide 3 references for similar services (below or note attached):		

Business Name:	7
Print Name & Title:	
Authorized Signature:	
Date:	

> Include corporate board resolution establishing authority to sign contracts, if needed

City Park Conservancy

Botanical Garden Landscape Services

Scope Statement

Quote Guidelines:

- Individual quotes for each Item are permitted, but preference will be given to proposers that quote all Items
- Maps are attached and provide a relative location of all the items to be included in quotes; contractor should verify locations and linear feet before submitting

Scope of work guidelines:

- Work to be done on Mondays when Botanical Garden is closed.
- Other dates of work must be done with Botanical Garden permission and the location should be closed to guests while work is performed.
- Staff enter the Botanical Garden via the Stadium Drive access point never through Tolmas Center.
- Equipment may not be used within 10 ft of patrons and pets making use of the park.
- All paths, walkways, hardscape and garden beds to be cleared of clippings.
- Any damage to trees, buildings, structures or other must be reported to City Park officials immediately.

Items/Scopes of Work:

Bid/Item A - Japanese Yews (please see attached appendix)

- 4 Trimmings to be completed by March 25, May 25, June 25, September 25
- Follow existing angles
- Widths, heights, and picture examples to be provided

Bid/Item B - Yaupons (please see attached appendix)

- Trimming to be completed by March 15, June 15, September 15
- Price for stand alone service, as needed
- Follow existing angles and curves
- Widths, heights, and picture examples to be provided

Bid/Item C - Asian Jasmine (please see attached appendix)

- Trimming to be completed by March 20, May 20, July 20, September 20
- Price for stand alone service, as needed

- Shape and mound hills, following existing curves
- Cut back to metal edging along walkways

Note: Work for Items A, B & C is to be completed by the dates provided and preferably done on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Bid/Item D - lawns (please see attached appendix)

- Turf Care Program of existing lawns (excludes mowing, edging and overseeding) includes the following:
 - o January 15 broadleaf pre-emergent, repair and level lawns from foot traffic
 - o April 15 aerate and fertilize
 - o July 1 fertilize
 - o August 15 general pre-emergent

Bid/Item E - Lawn Resod (one-time)

- Runway Lawn
 - o Length from Lily Pond to Pavilion
 - o Complete resod with Palisade Zoysia

Bid/Item F - Irrigation Repairs

- Provide On Call or Labor pricing for service within the Botanical Garden
 - As-needed repair work to existing systems
 - o Rate should include all levels of technician and/or equipment rates

Bid/Item G - Living Wall Maintenance

- 6 times a year (Jan, March, May, July, Sept and Nov)
- Replace material and containers as necessary
- Inspect and ensure irrigation system is operating as prescribed







