

Department of Procurement & Contract Compliance



BID #B41423
Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Services
for the
Environmental Services Development

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (Continued)



MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS BID #B41423 Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Services

The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is soliciting proposals for mowing and landscape maintenance services for the **Environmental Services Department located at 4851 Armstrong Ave., KC KS 66102**. This contract may be awarded to multiple vendors. It is the desire of the Unified Government to award one (1) vendor per group. All proposals must be completed on the **Mowing Contract Bid Sheet, provided as Attachment A** to this bid solicitation; any other form of proposal may result in the proposal's rejection.

A limited amount of funds will be available on an annual basis and the number of mows and locations may be adjusted to meet the funds available. The Unified Government reserves the right to add or delete mowing sites, as it deems necessary. The exhaustion of funds shall result in suspension of services or termination of the contract by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County / Kansas City, Kansas.

Instructions to Bidders: Bidders must bid the item exactly as specified or indicate with a description any deviation. If no deviation is indicated, the vendor must produce the item as specified in this bid. Additional sheets may be used if necessary but must reference the specification number.

Reasonable accommodations will be made to qualified individuals with a disability on an as needed basis, provided adequate notice is given by prospective vendors. Solicitations from qualified minority, and women owned businesses, firms and individuals are encouraged by the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas. This encouragement does not imply preference, and all solicitations will be evaluated equally.

1. General Requirements

- 1.1. All bids shall be submitted in DUPLICATE and shall be signed by authorized personnel on the **Signature Sheet, provided as Attachment B** to this bid solicitation. The proposal, bid and contract shall be submitted for the approval of the Purchasing Agent, who reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas reserves the right to waive minor deviations from the minimum specifications.
- 1.2. All prices shall be quoted F.O.B., Kansas City, Kansas. All sales will be made in accordance with the prices, terms and conditions of the Invitation for Bid and any subsequent term supply and service contract.
- 1.3. Each bid shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and shall be addressed as follows: **Office of the Unified Government Clerk, Municipal Office Building, 701 North 7th Street, Room 323, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101. The outside of each sealed envelope containing a bid shall be plainly marked with the Bid Number, the item or project name, and the name and address of the bidder and delivered to the Office of the Unified Government Clerk no later than 8:45 a.m. Wednesday March 19, 2025.** If this information does not appear, the bid will be rejected. It is the bidder's responsibility to make sure the bid is delivered to the proper place at the proper time.
- 1.4. **Bids will be opened at 9:00am in the Commission Chambers located in the Lobby of the City Hall Building, 701 N. 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101.**
- 1.5. The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas reserves the right to award a contract in whole or in part to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) as defined by section 29-1 and provided by section 29-153 of the Code of Ordinances of the Unified Government of Wyandotte

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County/Kansas City, Kansas.

- 1.6. The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and all Bidders must agree that such rejection shall create no liability on the part of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, because of such rejections; and the filing of any bid in response to this Notice shall constitute an agreement of the Bidder to these conditions.
- 1.7. It is the expressed intent of these specifications to describe the minimum requirements for the above-referenced item(s). Please note that all bidders are required to document any deviations from these specifications.
- 1.8. Any items appearing in the manufacturer's regularly published literature and specifications, and listed therein as standard, shall be supplied in the bidder's proposal
- 1.9. Conditioned bids from the vendor shall be rejected as non-responsive unless the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas identifies conditions in the bid specifications.
- 1.10. The bid shall include all costs associated with the purchase, shipping, delivery, licenses or any other costs associated with the sale of the products or performance of services.
- 1.11. It is the responsibility of each bidder, before submitting a bid, to examine the documents thoroughly, and request written interpretation of clarifications upon discovering any conflicts, ambiguities, errors or omissions in the bidding documents. Any Questions regarding the Minimum Specifications and Requirements shall be directed in writing to the Office of Procurement and Contract Compliance ATTN: Teresa Houchins, Room 649, 701 North 7th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101 or e-mailed to thouchins@wycokck.org All Questions must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. Thursday March 6, 2025.
- 1.12. The successful bidder must provide proof of workers' compensation insurance prior to contract approval. The successful bidder must secure the insurance coverage required by the Unified Government. The coverage must be satisfactory to the Division of Risk Management. A bidder's failure to provide evidence of such insurance coverage is a material breach and grounds for withdrawal of the award or termination of the contract.
- 1.13. Failure to submit this form or **Attachment C**, which indicates intent to self-perform, will be interpreted as non-responsiveness and will be grounds for rejection of your bid.

2. Occupational Taxes and Contract Award

- 2.1. A contract for the item(s) will be awarded, in whole or in part, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) as determined by the minimum specifications and requirements contained herein.
- 2.2. Prior to contract award, the successful bidder(s) must ensure that all occupational taxes are paid. For information, contact the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas License Division at (913) 573-8780 or businesslicense@wycokck.org.
- 2.3. Breach of this covenant may be regarded as a material breach of contract.

3. Approved Equivalents

- 3.1. Bidders shall submit detailed manufacturer's specifications for each item being proposed as an "approved equal". Please note that any use of brand names herein, is for the purpose of describing the standards of quality, performance and desired characteristics of the item(s) and is not intended to limit or restrict

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competition.

4. Cooperative Purchasing

- 4.1. The bidder agrees to provide products and/or services to any Municipality, County, State, Governmental Public Utility, Non-Profit Hospital, Educational Institute, Special Governmental Agency, and Non-Profit corporation performing governmental functions that participates as a joint bidder in or is represented by the Mid-America Council of Public Purchasing (MACPP) and/or Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) in the Greater Kansas City Metropolitan Trade Area.
- 4.2. Sales will be made in accordance with the prices, terms and conditions of the invitation for bid and any subsequent term contract.
- 4.3. All sales to other jurisdictions will be made on purchase orders issued by that jurisdiction. All receiving, inspection, payments and other procurement administration will be the responsibility of the ordering jurisdiction.
- 4.4. Each jurisdiction that is a party to the joint bid has authority to act as an Administrative Procurement Officer with responsibility to issue purchase orders, inspect and receive goods, make payments and handle disputes involving shipments to the jurisdiction.
- 4.5. The principal procurement officer is responsible for handling the solicitation and awarding the contract. The Principal Procurement Officer is Teresa Houchins; Department of Procurement & Contract Compliance; Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas.

5. Standard Contractual Provisions

The following terms and conditions must be agreed to by the successful Bidder and are hereby made a part of the contract entered into between the Unified Government and the successful Bidder, unless specifically modified in writing:

- 5.1. **Parties.** Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, hereinafter called "Unified Government", and "_____ ", hereinafter called "Contractor."
- 5.2. **Compliance with Law.** CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations in carrying out this Agreement, regardless of whether those legal requirements are specifically referenced in this Agreement.
- 5.3. **Authority To Contract.** CONTRACTOR represents that it possesses legal authority to contract, that it has undertaken any official action required by its governing documents to enter into this Agreement, that its undersigned representative is duly authorized to execute this document on its behalf, that it agrees to be bound by all the provisions of this Agreement, and that the person identified as its official representative is authorized to act on its behalf in the implementation of this Agreement.
- 5.4. **Modification of Agreement.** This Agreement may be modified, amended, or supplemented only in writing executed by both parties and will be subject to renegotiation in the event of changes to applicable law, rules, or regulations affecting the subject matter of this Agreement. The Unified Government expressly states that it will not be bound by any content on CONTRACTOR'S website, even if the CONTRACTOR'S documentation specifically references said content or attempts to incorporate it into any quote, sales agreement, or other communication, including but not limited to terms and conditions associated with setting up or logging into an online account or portal.

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- 5.5. **Assignment.** Neither CONTRACTOR nor the Unified Government shall, sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of any rights or obligations created by this Agreement without the written consent of the other party.
- 5.6. **Cash Basis Law.** This Agreement is subject to the Kansas Cash Basis Law, K.S.A. 10-1101 et seq. and amendments thereto. Any automatic renewal of the terms of the Agreement shall create no legal obligation on the part of the Unified Government. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted so as to ensure that the Unified Government shall at all times stay in conformity with such laws and, as a condition of this Agreement, the Unified Government reserves the right to unilaterally sever, modify, or terminate this Agreement at any time if, in the opinion of its legal counsel, the Agreement is deemed to violate the terms of such law. The Unified Government is obligated only to pay periodic payments or monthly installments under the Agreement as may lawfully be made from (a) funds budgeted and appropriated for that purpose during the Unified Government's current budget year or (b) funds made available from any lawfully operated revenue producing source.
- 5.7. **Payment of Taxes.** The Unified Government shall not be responsible for, nor indemnify CONTRACTOR for any federal, state, or local taxes which may be imposed or levied upon the subject matter of this Agreement. If applicable, CONTRACTOR shall pay the Unified Government occupation tax prior to execution of the Agreement.
- 5.8. **Licenses and Permits.** CONTRACTOR shall maintain all licenses, permits, certifications, bonds, and insurance required by federal, state, or local authority for carrying out this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Unified Government immediately if any required license, permit, bond, or insurance is cancelled, suspended, or is otherwise ineffective. Such cancellation, suspension, or other ineffectiveness may form the basis for immediate termination by the Unified Government in its discretion.
- 5.9. **Independent Contractor Relation.** The parties agree that the legal relationship between them is of a contractual nature. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create a relationship of employer and employee or principal and agent or any other relationship other than that of independent parties contracting with each other solely for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall create any right or remedies in any third party. The parties agree that no persons supplied by CONTRACTOR are employees of the Unified Government and that no right of the Unified Government's civil service, retirement, or personnel rules accrue to such persons. The Unified Government shall not be responsible for withholding of social security, workers compensation insurance, unemployment compensation, bonuses, retirement benefits, other benefits, and any taxes and premiums from any payments made by the Unified Government to CONTRACTOR.
- 5.10. **Discrimination in Delivery of Services Prohibited.** During the performance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall deny none of the benefits or services of the program to any eligible participant on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, or ancestry.
- 5.11. **Equal Opportunity.**
- 5.11.1. CONTRACTOR shall observe the provisions of the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination, K.S.A. 44-1001 et seq. and amendments thereto, and shall not discriminate against any person in the performance of work under this Agreement because of race, religion, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, or ancestry.
- 5.11.2. CONTRACTOR will ensure that applicants and employees are treated without regard to race, religion, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, or ancestry, including, but not limited to, in employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including

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apprenticeship. CONTRACTOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Unified Government setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

5.11.3. CONTRACTOR, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR, will state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, or ancestry.

5.11.4. CONTRACTOR will cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by this Agreement so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor.

5.11.5. CONTRACTOR shall assure that it and all subcontractors will implement the certificate of compliance in connection with this Agreement.

5.11.6. If CONTRACTOR fails, refuses, or neglects to comply with the terms of these contractual conditions, such failure shall be deemed a total breach of the contract and this Agreement may be terminated, canceled, or suspended, in whole or in part, and CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for any further Unified Government contracts for a period of up to one year. Provided that, if a contract is terminated, canceled, or suspended for failure to comply with this section, CONTRACTOR shall have no claims for damages against the Unified Government on account of such termination, cancellation, or suspension or declaration of ineligibility.

5.11.7. CONTRACTOR shall maintain sufficient records to document that, under all aspects of this Agreement, it has acted in a manner which is in full compliance with the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination. Such records shall at all times remain open to inspection by the Kansas Human Rights Commission or by the Unified Government.

5.11.8. CONTRACTOR, in carrying out this Agreement, shall also comply with all other applicable existing federal, state, and local laws relative to equal opportunity and nondiscrimination, all of which are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

5.12. Representations.

CONTRACTOR makes the following representations:

5.12.1. The price submitted is independently arrived at without collusion.

5.12.2. It has not knowingly influenced and promises that it will not knowingly influence a Unified Government employee or former Unified Government employee to breach any of the ethical standards set forth in Article XII of the Procurement Code of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas.

5.12.3. It has not violated, and is not violating, and promises that it will not violate the prohibition against gratuities and kickbacks set forth in §29-635 (Gratuities and Kickbacks) of the Procurement Code.

5.12.4. It has not retained and will not retain a person to solicit or secure a Unified Government contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except for retention of bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies for the purpose of securing business.

5.13. **Waiver of Breach.** The waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement will not operate

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or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by such party.

- 5.14. **Severability.** If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any part of this Agreement to be invalid, the balance of the agreement will remain valid and enforceable.
- 5.15. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement and its attachments set forth the parties' entire agreement. Neither party has made any oral or side agreements or representations not contained in this Agreement. This is a legal document and not a mere recital and is binding upon the parties, their representatives, and successors in interest.
- 5.16. **Disclaimer of Liability.** The Unified Government expressly disclaims any provision or duty to indemnify CONTRACTOR or to hold CONTRACTOR harmless. Further, the Unified Government expressly disclaims any provision, request, or assertion to pay any other party's attorneys' fees, regardless of the circumstances.
- 5.17. **Termination for Default.** If CONTRACTOR refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement, or any extension thereof, or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, the Procurement Officer may notify CONTRACTOR in writing of the delay or nonperformance and, if not cured in ten days or any longer time specified in writing by the Procurement Officer, such officer may terminate CONTRACTOR's rights to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform.

The Unified Government shall pay CONTRACTOR the costs and expenses and reasonable profit for services performed by CONTRACTOR prior to receipt of the notice of termination; however, the Unified Government may withhold from amounts due CONTRACTOR such sums as the Procurement Officer deems to be necessary to protect the Unified Government against loss caused by CONTRACTOR because of the default.

Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, CONTRACTOR shall not be in default by reason of any failure in performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms if CONTRACTOR has notified the Procurement Officer within 15 days of the cause of the delay and the failure arises out of causes such as acts of God, acts of the public enemy, act of the Unified Government and any other governmental entity in its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, or other labor disputes. If the failure to perform is caused by the failure of a subcontractors to perform or to make progress, and if such failure arises out of causes similar to those set forth above, CONTRACTOR shall not be deemed to be in default, unless the services to be furnished by the subcontractors were reasonably obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit CONTRACTOR to meet the contract requirements Upon request of CONTRACTOR, the Procurement Officer shall ascertain the facts and extent of such failure, and, if such officer determines that any failure to perform was occasioned by any one or more of the excusable causes, and that, but for the excusable cause, CONTRACTOR's progress and performance would have met the terms of the Agreement, the time for completion of the Agreement shall be revised accordingly.

If, after notice of termination of CONTRACTOR 's right to proceed under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that CONTRACTOR was not in default under the provisions of this clause, and both the Unified Government and CONTRACTOR agree, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had not been issued.

The following acts committed by CONTRACTOR will constitute a substantial breach of the Agreement and may result in termination of the Agreement:

If CONTRACTOR is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent;

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If CONTRACTOR makes a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors;

If a trustee or receiver is appointed for CONTRACTOR or any of his property;

If CONTRACTOR files a petition to take advantage of any debtor's act or to reorganize under bankruptcy or applicable laws;

If CONTRACTOR repeatedly fails to supply sufficient services;

Acts other than those specified may constitute substantial breach of this Agreement.

- 5.18. **Termination for Convenience.** The Procurement Officer may, when the interests of the Unified Government so require, terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the Unified Government. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to CONTRACTOR specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective.

CONTRACTOR shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination CONTRACTOR will stop work to the extent specified. The Procurement Officer shall pay CONTRACTOR the following amounts:

All costs and expenses incurred by CONTRACTOR for work accepted by the Unified Government prior to CONTRACTOR's receipt of the notice of termination, plus a reasonable profit for said work.

All costs and expenses incurred by CONTRACTOR for work not yet accepted by the Unified Government but performed by CONTRACTOR prior to receipt of the notice of termination, plus a reasonable profit for said work.

Anticipatory profit for work and services not performed by CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed.

- 5.19. **Disputes.** All controversies between the Unified Government and CONTRACTOR which arise under, or are by virtue of, this Agreement and which are not resolved by mutual agreement, shall be decided by the Procurement Officer in writing, within 30 days after a written request by CONTRACTOR for a final decision concerning the controversy; provided, however, that if the Procurement Officer does not issue a written decision within 30 days after written request for a final decision, or within such longer period as may be agreed upon by the parties, then CONTRACTOR may proceed as if an adverse decision had been received.

The Procurement Officer shall immediately furnish a copy of the decision to CONTRACTOR by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by any other method that provides evidence of receipt. Any such decision shall be final and conclusive, unless fraudulent, or CONTRACTOR brings an action seeking judicial review of the decision in the Wyandotte County, Kansas District Court.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with any decision of the Procurement Officer and proceed diligently with performance of this Agreement pending final resolution by the Wyandotte County District Court of any controversy arising under, or by virtue of, this Agreement, except where there has been a material breach of the Agreement by the Unified Government; provided, however, that in any event CONTRACTOR shall proceed diligently with the performance of the Agreement where the Purchasing Director has made a written determination that continuation of work under the contract is essential to the public health and safety.

Notwithstanding any language to the contrary, no interpretation shall be allowed to find the Unified Government has agreed to binding arbitration, or the payment of damages or penalties upon the occurrence of any contingency. Further, the Unified Government shall not agree to pay attorney fees and late payment

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charges.

- 5.20. **Ownership of Materials.** All property rights, including publication rights, in all interim, draft, and final reports and other documentation, including machine-readable media, produced by CONTRACTOR in connection with the work pursuant to this Agreement, shall be in the Unified Government.
- 5.21. **Availability of Records and Audit.** CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence pertaining to the costs and expenses of the services provided under the Agreement (hereinafter collectively called "records") to the extent and in such detail as will properly reflect all net costs, direct and indirect, of labor, materials, equipment, supplies, and services, and other costs and expenses of whatever nature for which reimbursement is claimed under the provisions of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees to make available at the offices of the Unified Government at all times during the period set forth in the Request for Proposals any of the records for inspection, audit, or reproduction by any authorized representative of the Unified Government. Except for documentary evidence delivered to the offices of the Unified Government, CONTRACTOR shall preserve and make available to persons designated by the Unified Government his records for a period of three years from the date of final payment under the Agreement or until all audit questions have been resolved, whichever period of time is longer.
- 5.22. **No Limit of Liability.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit CONTRACTOR's liability to the Unified Government as such liability may exist by or under operation of law.
- 5.23. **Indemnification.** CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold the Unified Government harmless from and against all claims, losses, damages, judgments or costs arising from or in any way related to CONTRACTOR's activities to be carried out pursuant to the obligations of this Agreement. This indemnification shall not be subject to any limitations of remedies or warranties which are contained in this or any other agreement and shall survive termination of this or any other agreement between the parties hereto or thereto.
- 5.24. **Governing Law.** The Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder are to be governed by and construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas applicable to contracts made and to be performed wholly within Kansas, without regard to choice or conflict of laws rules. The parties hereto submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of and venue in the state courts located in Wyandotte County, Kansas, or the U.S. District Court, District of Kansas, for purposes of any suit arising hereunder instituted by any party.
- 5.25. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. Electronic and digital format signatures (e.g., .JPG, .PDF) shall be considered as original signatures. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of Electronic Transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

6. Miscellaneous Provisions

- 6.1. **Contract Term.** The contract term shall commence on the date of execution by the last-signing party and shall continue through December 31, 2025. Upon mutual agreement of the parties the contract may be renewed annually, in writing signed by both parties, for an additional Four (4) 1-year terms. Each contract year thereafter will be from January 1, through December 31. Option years 2, 3, 4 & 5 will be subject to adjustment based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U = All Urban Consumers) for the previous twelve months Not to Exceed 5%. The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas reserves the right to cancel the contract upon 30 days written notice.

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- 6.2. **Interest Payable on Claims.** Pursuant to Section 9-301 (Interest) of the Procurement Code, interest on amounts ultimately determined to be due to a contractor of the Unified Government shall be payable at the statutory rate applicable to judgments from the date the claim arose through the date of decision or judgment, whichever is later.
- 6.3. **Tax Clearance for City and Local Governments.** The local governments of City of Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, Johnson County, Kansas and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas (collectively the "Local Governments"), have agreed to help enforce each other's Tax Laws to ensure that taxpayer funded contracts are performed by Contractors in compliance with the Tax Laws of the Local Governments. Contractor agrees that Contractor shall be in compliance with the Tax Laws of the Local Governments throughout the term of this contract any contract renewals and that proof of Contractor's compliance with the Tax Laws of the Local Governments shall be a condition precedent to Parties making each of the first payment under their subsequent contract or any contract renewal.

The selected Contractor may obtain the Unified Government tax clearance letter from Procurement and Contract Compliance Department and authorize the County to obtain the Clearance letters from the Local Governments of City of Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri and Johnson County, Kansas (collectively the "Local Governments"), dated not more than ninety (60) days from the date of submission.

- 6.4. **Insurance.** The successful offeror must secure all insurance coverage required by the Unified Government, including workers' compensation insurance, and must provide proof of such insurance prior to contract approval. An offeror's failure to provide evidence of such insurance coverage is a material breach and grounds for withdrawal of the award or termination of the contract.

The vendor awarded this contract(s) is required to provide a Certificate of Insurance that contains a minimum of the following coverage and limits:

Liability insurance coverage shall be considered as primary and not as excess insurance. The carrier(s) shall provide thirty (30) days written notice to the Unified Government by registered mail prior any modification, cancellation, non-renewal or other change in coverage. The successful bidder shall provide the Unified Government with Certificates of Insurance concerning the requirements listed.

The policies must be effective prior to the commencement of work and must remain in force until termination of the work under this contract.

In the event of interruption of coverage for any reason, all work under the contract shall cease and shall not resume until coverage has been restored.

If at any time during the term of this contract, or any extension thereof, any required policies of insurance should be scheduled to expire or be canceled, it will be the responsibility of the Contractor to furnish to the Unified Government a Certificate of Insurance indicating renewal or an acceptable replacement of the policy **prior to the expiration or cancellation date** so that there will be no lapse in any coverage.

The Contractor shall indemnify the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas and save it harmless against any and all loss, damage, expense, liability or claim of liability, expense for injury, death or damage to property directly caused by the Contractor's negligence arising out of performance by the Contractor of the agreement. The Unified Government shall be named as an additional insured, to read exactly as follows:

The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas is an additional insured with respect to the work performed for the contract(s): BID #B41423, Mowing & Landscape Maintenance

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Services for the Environmental Services Department.

The following minimum coverage is required of vendors providing services:

Coverage:	Limits of Liability:
Workers Compensation	Statutory
Combined Automobile Bodily Injury and Automobile Property Damage	\$500,000 per occurrence
Errors and Omissions	\$1,000,000
Professional Liability	\$1,000,000

Provide BID or RFP Number and Title in the "miscellaneous" area of certificate.

Address all certificates to the Unified Government Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas – Procurement Department, 701 N 7th Street – Room 649, Kansas City, KS 66101. Fax 913-573-5444 Office 913-573-5440.

7. Specs for Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Services

- 7.1. This contract requires services for mowing, landscape services that include Spring/Fall clean up along with assorted chemical applications and the inspection, Spring activation, and Winterization of Irrigation System. The bidder agrees to allow the Unified Government to modify the number of locations/services and **add or delete** locations/services based upon the Unified Government's needs.
- 7.2. The mowing frequency is separated into three areas: **(Area A) Weekly** mowing services for around the Environmental Services Building surrounding area. **(Area B) Biweekly** mowing services to Field edge. **(Area C) Bimonthly** mowing services of the field. A Map of the mowing areas will be provided upon site visit.
- 7.3. Spring/Winter clean up includes the removal of leaves, debris, trash and foreign growth.
- 7.4. Irrigation System needs four (4) yearly inspections, One (1) each of Spring Activation and Winterization.
- 7.5. The frequency of chemical/fertilizer application requirements are based on areas A, B, and C. Must be licensed in the state of Kansas for chemical application.
- 7.6. The frequency of any of the services may be adjusted by the Unified Government.
- 7.7. The proposed bid is for the furnishing of all materials, labor, tools and equipment required necessary to meet the needs of the mowing, and landscaping maintenance which includes irrigation system maintenance which are identified by the Environmental Services Development.
- 7.8. Bidders shall visit the areas of work and shall fully inform themselves of existing conditions and limitations.
- 7.9. Please contact **Kirk Roland** at 913-573-1361 for a site visit of mowing areas.
- 7.10. All sidewalks/driveways will be swept or blown out of debris after cutting.

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- 7.11. The bidder must provide three (3) references for similar or larger in-size projects on the **Mowing Contract References Sheet, provided as Attachment D** to this bid solicitation.
- 7.12. **All attachments be submitted for your bid to be considered.**
- 7.13. Disposal of clippings, litter and debris must be at an off-site location at the bidders' expense. City dumpsters, disposal locations, or other trash collection devices are not to be used.
- 7.14. The successful bidder will be required to start mowing between April 15 and May 15. The actual date will be determined by the start of the growing season by the Environmental Services Department.
- 7.15. Damage to property by the contractor while performing the duties of cutting the lot will be the responsibility of the contractor to repair or replace.
- 7.16. The contractor is responsible for providing and setting up proper traffic control devices at the worksites for the safety of the traveling public and the contractor's employees.
- 7.17. Proper personal protective equipment shall be worn at all times.
- 7.18. Minimum equipment necessary to cut the Environmental Services property:
- Six (6) 60' Commercial Grade Zero Turn Mowers
 - Four (6) Commercial Grade Weed Trimmers
 - Three (3) Blowers
- 7.19. **Note:** It will be the responsibility of the contractor bidding to document at the time of the bid the ability to provide equipment and manpower to meet the needs of this bid. The final decision as to whether the documentation provided meets the equipment / manpower criteria needed to complete the tasks being bid will rest with the Unified Government's Environmental Services Economic Development.
- 7.20. One or more contractors may be awarded a contract for this bid.
- 7.21. Contractor shall provide a list of its machinery and equipment available for the performance of this contract, including quantity, type, make & model. **(See attachment E "Listing of Machinery and Equipment Available")**.
- 7.22. The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas reserves the right to modify these Specifications as dictated by weather, site usage or other considerations.
- 7.23. Any deviations from these technical requirements must be approved by the Environmental Services Development of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County / Kansas City, Kansas.
- 7.24. The Contract may be terminated at any time by the Unified Government.

Sealed bids must be addressed and delivered to: Bid #B41423, Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Services for Environmental Services of the Public Works Department, Office of the Unified Government Clerk, Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, 3rd Floor, Room 323, Municipal Office Building, 701 North 7th Street, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101 NO LATER THAN 8:45 a.m., Wednesday March 19, 2025.

Bids will be opened at 9:00am in the Commission Chambers located in the Lobby of the City Hall Building, 701 N. 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A – Mowing Contract Bid Sheet
- Attachment B – Signature Sheet
- Attachment C – Intent to Self-Perform
- Attachment D – Mowing Contract References Sheet
- Attachment E – Listing of Machinery & Equipment Available

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

**Attachment A
B41423 Mowing & Landscape Maintenance Services for Environmental
Services Department**

Standard/Requested Services	Number of Occurrences Per Year	Price Per Occurrence	Price
Regular Mow, Blow, Trim, Lawn (A)	28	\$	\$
Chemical/Fertilizer Lawn (A)	5	\$	\$
Field Edge (B)	14	\$	\$
Chemical/Fertilizer Lawn (B)	4	\$	\$
Field Mow (C)	6	\$	\$
Chemical/Fertilizer Lawn (C)	1	\$	\$
Bed Weeding	14	\$	\$
Bed Pre-Emergent	3	\$	\$
Shrub Pruning – Standard Variety	2	\$	\$
Spring Clean Up	1	\$	\$
Fall Clean Up	1	\$	\$
Irrigation System Inspect	4	\$	\$
Irrigation System Activation	1	\$	\$
Irrigation System Winterization	1	\$	\$
Landscape Establishment – First Year Only	14	\$	\$

Total for Bid \$ _____
(Figures)

_____ Dollars and
(Written in words)

_____ Cents
(Written in words)

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

Attachment B

Signature Sheet

No bid will be considered unless signed with the autograph signature of an officer authorized to bind the vendor.

Company Name

Authorized Representative

Mailing Address

Signature Date

City, State, Zip Code

Title

Phone Number

Fax Number

Federal Tax ID #

E-Mail Address

Attachment C

Intent to Self Perform

Affidavit of

(Name of Bidder)

I hereby certify that it is our intent to perform 100% of the work required for the

(Name of Project)

contract

In making this certification, the Bidder states that the Bidder does not customarily subcontract elements of this type project, and normally performs and has the capability to perform and will perform all elements of the work on this project with his/her own current work forces; and the Bidder agrees to provide any additional information or documentation requested by the Unified Government in support of the above statement.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he or she has read this certification and is authorized to bind the Bidder to the commitments herein contained.

Sign _____

Date _____

Attachment D

Mowing Contract References Sheet

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____
E-mail Address: _____

Name:

Phone #:
