



Addendum #1

To: All Companies Interested in Submitting a Bid
From: Abby Mouw, MSA Professional Services, Inc.
Bid: RFB #01 - Grinding of Trees & Tree Removal in Parks
City of Hiawatha, IA
Subject: Addendum #1 (3 pages)
Date: September 14, 2020

The following questions and/or clarifications were asked relative to the above-listed Request for Bid. This memo is sent for clarification to all companies to whom the bid was sent.

Question: [Where to take or dispose of chips/grindings?](#)

Answer: Contractor is responsible for identifying locations of and obtaining all permissions and permits necessary for material disposal sites. Contractor shall notify City of all disposal sites at least 1-business day to intended use of the site.

Question: [Are there other City dump sites currently under active construction?](#)

Answer: No.

Question: [Can chipping/grinding take place at the Dog Park?](#)

Answer: Yes.

Question: [Can chipping/grinding take place at Guthridge Park?](#)

Answer: Yes.

Question: [Can chips/grindings be taken to the Hiawatha Dump Site at Robins Road?](#)

Answer: No.

Question: [Are existing chips/grindings at the Dog Park and Guthridge Park to be removed?](#)

Answer: Yes, all existing and resulting tree chips/grindings are to be removed from the sites listed in the RFB.

Question: [Is the City owned property along Faye Street included within this RFB?](#)

Answer: No, only sites shown in Attachment E are included within this RFB.

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Question: Are there restrictions to the type of equipment used to complete the work listed in the RFB?

Answer: No. Please list equipment within Attachment C – Contractor’s Equipment List. Contractor is responsible for means and methods.

Question: What do the red/orange dots and white X’s marks on the trees in the project areas mean?

Answer: Red/orange dots are trees with hangers (that meet the FEMA requirement for hangers). White X’s mark trees that are to be removed.

Question: In the parks where the trees are stockpiled on asphalt parking lot surfaces, will it be acceptable to use steel track excavator and grinder on those lots even if the equipment will damage the asphalt surface?

Answer: Contractor is responsible for means and methods of how work is completed. See modified Section 4.10 (Safety) language below.

Question: Taking the previous question into consideration is it possible that work could be awarded to a contractor that would use a rubber track excavator and grinder even if they were not the low bidder?

Answer: See previous answer. Contractor is responsible for means and methods.

Question: If stockpiles are on private property, if owner would agree, could the piles remain without hauling out mulch?

Answer: Yes, however Contractor shall provide written approval by landowner to the City submitted with the bid. Project site is question is Project Site 1: Edgewood Road Site (private ownership).

Question: Is it correct that Davis-Bacon wages are not required?

Answer: Correct, Davis-Bacon wages do not apply for the project(s).

Question: Is it correct that no bonds are required, including bid, performance, and payments bonds?

Answer: Please see below for bonding requirements.

Bonding Requirements. Applicable for construction or facility improvement contracts or subcontracts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold (\$150,000), the awarding agency may accept the bonding policy and requirements of the recipient (State of Iowa) or sub-recipient (City of Hiawatha) provided the awarding agency has made a determination that the awarding agency’s interest is adequately protected. If such a determination has not been made, the minimum requirements shall be as follows:

- a) A bid guarantee is not required.
- b) A performance bond on the part of the Contractor for 100 percent (100%) of the contract price. A “performance bond” is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the Contractor’s obligations under such contract. **(In compliance with State Law, the City of Hiawatha will require a performance bond for construction or facility improvement contracts exceeding \$25,000.)**

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- c) A payment bond on the part of the Contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A “payment bond” is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment as required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work provided for in the contract. **(In compliance with State Law the City of Hiawatha will require a payment bond for construction or facility improvement contracts exceeding \$25,000.)**

SECTION 4.0 – SCOPE OF WORK AND SPECIFICATIONS

SECTION 4.10 - SAFETY

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REMOVE and **REPLACE** second sentence in the first paragraph in its entirety to read as follows:

“All buildings, equipment, **pavement** and furnishings shall be protected by the Contractor from damage, which might be done or caused by work performed under the Contract.”