

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received up to 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 22, 2023 in the Office of Director of Public Works, Municipal Building, 75 North Bonson Street, Platteville, WI 53818 for the following work, at which time and place all bids shall be publicly opened and read.

Contract 15 - 23 WEED & GRASS MOWING

The City will accept two separate bids. Bid #1 will be for cutting weeds on “rural type lands” and paid on an hourly rate. Bid #2 will be for cutting weeds on “miscellaneous areas and lots” and paid on an hourly rate. The bidder may bid either or both. All bids shall be addressed to the Director of Public Works, Municipal Building, 75 North Bonson Street, Platteville, WI 53818, with the name and address of the bidder, contract number and title of work distinctly indicated on the outside of the envelope.

Contract documents together with plans and specifications for this project are on file for examination and may be obtained in the office of Director of Public Works, Municipal Building, City of Platteville, on the City of Platteville website (platteville.org), or via e-mail by contacting taylorj@platteville.org.

All bids shall be made out on the proposal forms furnished by the City of Platteville in the contract documents. Any alteration or extension of the form or the furnishing on it of unsolicited information may cause the bid to be declared informal and result in its being rejected.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the scheduled time of opening bids.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities in bidding, or accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the City.

All bidders are notified that all labor employed on said contract shall be paid not less than the Federal minimum wage.

Nicola Maurer
Interim City Manager

Publish Dates: March 8 & 11, 2023

CONTRACT 15 - 23
WEED MOWING SPECIFICATIONS

DESCRIPTION

This work consists of mowing weeds under two (2) distinctly separate conditions within the City of Platteville:

1.) **UNDEVELOPED SUBDIVISIONS AND "RURAL" AREAS**

These areas will be parcels measured in 1 Acre or more, but paid for on an "actual mowing time" basis. The areas that make up this portion of the contract will be paid for under Base Bid #1.

2.) **MISCELLANEOUS OR ISOLATED AREAS**

These areas will be paid for on an "actual mowing time" basis. These areas may be widely scattered and small in size. Many of these areas will be unkempt lawns. This work will be paid for under Base Bid #2.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The contractor shall begin mowing within forty-eight (48) hours after notification by the Department of Public Works. Many areas may be rocky or have obstructions and it will be the responsibility of the contractor to inspect the area before mowing. The City is not responsible for any damage to the contractor's equipment. The contractor will be responsible for any damage to property caused by his equipment while mowing or by entering or exiting the mowing area.

PROCEDURES

The Director of Public Works will notify the contractor of any areas to be mowed and their location. The contractor shall take a color picture of the mowing area before and after mowing showing enough of the surrounding area to help verify the location. All pictures must have a camera date and time stamp. The "actual mowing time" shall be recorded on the back of the photos. "Actual mowing time" may include raking & removing tall growth, picking up obstacles or debris and re-mowing to achieve proper height.

Weeds and rural type areas shall be cut to a height satisfactory to the Director of Public Works. This shall generally be a height of six (6) inches above the general ground level. General terrain of the area will be considered a factor for determining the actual acceptable height. Lawns shall be cut with typical lawn mowing equipment.

PAYMENT

Payment shall be made on the basis of "actual mowing time", which will be subject to review and approval by the Director of Public Works. Photographs and mowing records for payment shall be turned in to the Public Works office no later than ten (10) days after mowing. Payment will be made once a month.

INSURANCE

The contractor shall take out and maintain during the life of the contract, such public liability and property damage insurance as shall protect the City, the contractor, and any subcontractor in the following amounts:

Public Liability Insurance	\$100,000/\$300,000
Public Damage Insurance	\$50,000

LENGTH OF CONTRACT

The contract shall be for the 2023 growing season.

BIDDERS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

Prospective contractors are required to file a qualification statement with their bid.

The object of the qualification statement is to enable the City to have sufficient information regarding financial ability, equipment and experience in order to reduce the hazards involved in awarding contracts to parties not qualified to perform them and to select those contractors qualified to properly complete the work proposed.

QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

CONTRACTOR _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER (_____) _____

LIST OF EQUIPMENT

LIST OF PREVIOUS CONTRACTS OR JOBS

The undersigned understands that falsifying information on this statement shall be grounds for disqualification.

Official Address

Firm Name

By: _____

Title: _____