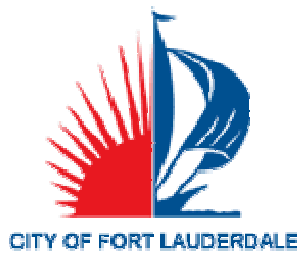


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522-11020

Median Landscaping Project



AnnDebra Diaz

954-828-5949

Bid 522-11020 Median Landscaping Project

Bid Number 522-11020
 Bid Title Median Landscaping Project

Bid Start Date Jun 27, 2012 4:58:51 PM EDT
 Bid End Date Jul 17, 2012 2:00:00 PM EDT
 Question & Answer
 End Date Jul 12, 2012 5:00:00 PM EDT

Bid Contact AnnDebra Diaz
 Procurement Specialist II
 Procurement
 954-828-5949
 adiaz@fortlauderdale.gov

Contract Duration One Time Purchase
 Contract Renewal Not Applicable
 Prices Good for 90 days

Bid Comments The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking bids from qualified bidders, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor, to provide landscaping of medians for the City's Parks and Recreation Department, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Invitation To Bid (ITB).
 All pricing MUST include delivery, installation and removal, and be quoted FOB: Destination. Contractor must quote a firm, fixed price for all services stated in the ITB, which includes any travel associated with coming to the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Item Response Form

Item 522-11020--01-01 - Median Landscaping - Lump Sum total for complete project
 Quantity 1 lump sum
 Unit Price
 Delivery Location City of Fort Lauderdale
 [See ITB Specifications](#)
 See ITB Specifications
 Fort Lauderdale FL 33301
 Qty 1

Description

Vendor shall provide firm, fixed lump sum for complete project as described in this ITB.

ITB # 522-11020
TITLE: Median Landscaping

PART I - INFORMATION SPECIAL CONDITIONS

01. PURPOSE

The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking bids from qualified bidders, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor, to provide landscaping of medians for the City's Parks and Recreation Department, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Invitation To Bid (ITB).

02. INFORMATION OR CLARIFICATION

For information concerning procedures for responding to this solicitation, contact Procurement Specialist AnnDebra Diaz at (954) 828-5949 or email at adiaz@fortlauderdale.gov. Such contact shall be for clarification purposes only.

For information concerning technical specifications please utilize the question / answer feature provided by BidSync at www.bidsync.com. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the solicitation. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. (See addendum section of BidSync Site). Contractors please note: No part of your bid can be submitted via FAX. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the Contractor has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire bid response must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation.

It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that their bid is submitted electronically through BidSync at www.bidsync.com or reaches the City of Fort Lauderdale City Hall, Procurement Services Division, 6th floor, Room 619, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the ITB solicitation number and Contractor's name, no later than the time and date specified in this solicitation.

03. TRANSACTION FEES

The City of Fort Lauderdale uses BidSync (www.bidsync.com) to distribute and receive bids and proposals. There is no charge to vendors/contractors to register and participate in the solicitation process, nor will any fees be charged to the awarded contractor.

04. There will not be a pre-bid conference or site visit for this Invitation to Bid.

It will be the sole responsibility of the bidder to inspect the City's location(s), facilities, systems prior to submitting a bid. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the bidder has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, equipment, materials, and labor required. It is strongly suggested that all Contractor's visit the median locations.

05. ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for award of a contract in response to this solicitation the Contractor must demonstrate that they have successfully completed services, as specified in the Technical Specifications / Scope of Services section of this solicitation, are normally and routinely

engaged in performing such services and are properly and legally licensed to perform such work. In addition, the Contractor must have no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the Contractor for the City of Fort Lauderdale.

06. **PRICING/DELIVERY**

All pricing **MUST** include delivery, installation and removal, and be quoted FOB: Destination.

Contractor must quote a firm, fixed price for all services stated in the ITB, which includes any travel associated with coming to the City of Fort Lauderdale. Project is requested to be completed within sixty (60) calendar days after notice to proceed. Failure to meet this completion date may be deemed as non-responsive.

07. **BID DOCUMENTS**

The Contractor shall examine this bid carefully. Ignorance of the requirements will not relieve the Contractor from liability and obligation under the Contract.

08. **AWARD**

Award will be made to the responsive and responsible bidder, quoting the lowest price, for that product/service that will best serve the needs of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The City reserves the right to waive minor variations in the specifications and in the bidding process. The City further reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids and to award or not award a contract based on this bid solicitation.

09. **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

General Conditions Form G-107 Rev. 12/11 (GC) are included and made a part of this ITB.

10. **NEWS RELEASES/PUBLICITY**

News releases, publicity releases, or advertisements relating to this contract or the tasks or projects associated with the project shall not be made without prior City approval.

11. **CONTRACTORS' COSTS**

The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by proposers in responding to this solicitation.

12. **RULES AND SUBMITTALS OF BIDS**

The signer of the bid must declare that the only person(s), company or parties interested in the proposal as principals are named therein; that the bid is made without collusion with any other person(s), company or parties submitting a bid; that it is in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud; and that the signer of the bid has full authority to bind the principal bidder.

13. **INVOICES/PAYMENT**

The City will accept invoices no more frequently than once per month. Each invoice shall fully detail the related costs and shall specify the status of the particular task or project as of the date of the invoice as regards the accepted schedule for that task or project. Payment will be made within forty-five (45) days after receipt of an invoice acceptable to the City, in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act. If, at any time during the contract, the City shall not approve or accept the Contractor's work product, and agreement cannot be reached between the City and the

Contractor to resolve the problem to the City's satisfaction, the City shall negotiate with the Contractor on a payment for the work completed and usable to the City.

14. RELATED EXPENSES/TRAVEL EXPENSES

All costs including travel are to be included in your proposal. The City will not accept any additional costs.

15. NO EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT/ADDITIONAL SERVICES

While this contract is for services provided to the department referenced in this Invitation For Bid, the City may require similar work for other City departments. Contractor agrees to take on such work unless such work would not be considered reasonable or become an undue burden to the Contractor.

Contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall not be construed as an exclusive arrangement and further agrees that the City may, at any time, secure similar or identical services from another vendor at the City's sole option.

The City may require additional items or services of a similar nature, but not specifically listed in the contract. The Contractor agrees to provide such items or services, and shall provide the City prices on such additional items or services based upon a formula or method, which is the same or similar to that used in establishing the prices in his proposal. If the price(s) offered are not acceptable to the City, and the situation cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City reserves the right to procure those items or services from other vendors, or to cancel the contract upon giving the Contractor thirty (30) days written notice.

16. DELETION OR MODIFICATION OF SERVICES

The City reserves the right to delete any portion of the Contract at any time without cause, and if such right is exercised by the City, the total fee shall be reduced in the same ratio as the estimated cost of the work deleted bears to the estimated cost of the work originally planned. If work has already been accomplished on the portion of the Contract to be deleted, the Contractor shall be paid for the deleted portion on the basis of the estimated percentage of completion of such portion.

If the Contractor and the City agree on modifications or revisions to services, after the City has approved work to begin on such services, and a budget has been established for those services, the Contractor will submit a revised budget to the City for approval prior to proceeding with the work.

17. INSURANCE

The Contractor shall furnish proof of insurance requirements as indicated below. The coverage is to remain in force at all times during the contract period. The following minimum insurance coverage is required. The City is to be added as an "additional insured" with relation to General Liability Insurance. This MUST be written in the description section of the insurance certificate, even if you have a check-off box on your insurance certificate. Any costs for adding the City as "additional insured" will be at the contractor's expense.

The City of Fort Lauderdale shall be given notice 10 days prior to cancellation or modification of any stipulated insurance. The insurance provided shall be endorsed or amended to comply with this notice requirement. In the event that the insurer is unable to accommodate, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to provide the proper notice. Such notification will be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested and addressed to the Procurement Services

Division.

The Contractor's insurance must be provided by an A.M. Best's "A-" rated or better insurance company authorized to issue insurance policies in the State of Florida, subject to approval by the City's Risk Manager. Any exclusions or provisions in the insurance maintained by the contractor that precludes coverage for work contemplated in this ITB shall be deemed unacceptable, and shall be considered breach of contract.

Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance

Limits: Workers' Compensation – Per Florida Statute 440
Employers' Liability - \$500,000

Any firm performing work on behalf of the City of Fort Lauderdale must provide Workers' Compensation insurance. Exceptions and exemptions will be allowed by the City's Risk Manager, if they are in accordance with Florida Statute. For additional information contact the Department of Financial Services, Workers' Compensation Division at (850) 413-1601 or on the web at www.fldfs.com.

Commercial General Liability Insurance

Covering premises-operations, products-completed operations, independent contractors and contractual liability.

Limits: Combined single limit bodily injury/property damage \$1,000,000.

This coverage must include, but not limited to:

- a. Coverage for the liability assumed by the contractor under the indemnity provision of the contract.
- b. Coverage for Premises/Operations
- c. Products/Completed Operations
- d. Broad Form Contractual Liability
- e. Independent Contractors

Automobile Liability Insurance

Covering all owned, hired and non-owned automobile equipment.

Limits: Bodily injury	\$250,000 each person
	\$500,000 each occurrence
Property damage	\$100,000 each occurrence

A copy of **ANY** current Certificate of Insurance should be included with your proposal.

In the event that you are the successful bidder, you will be required to provide a certificate naming the City as an "additional insured" for General Liability.

Certificate holder should be addressed as follows:

City of Fort Lauderdale
Procurement Services Division
100 N. Andrews Avenue, Room 619
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

18. SUB-CONTRACTORS

If the Contractor proposes to use subcontractors in the course of providing these services to the City, this information shall be a part of the bid response. Such information shall be subject to review, acceptance and approval of the City, prior to any contract award. The City reserves the right to approve or disapprove of any subcontractor candidate in its best interest and to require Contractor to replace subcontractor with one that meets City approval.

Contractor shall ensure that all of Contractor's subcontractors perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor shall be fully responsible for all of Contractor's subcontractors' performance, and liable for any of Contractor's subcontractors' non-performance and all of Contractor's subcontractors' acts and omissions. Contractor shall defend, at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval or disapproval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents from and against any claim, lawsuit, third-party action, or judgment, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, by or in favor of any Contractor's subcontractors for payment for work performed for the City.

19. INSURANCE – SUB-CONTRACTORS

Contractor shall require all of its sub-contractors to provide the aforementioned coverage as well as any other coverage that the contractor may consider necessary, and any deficiency in the coverage or policy limits of said sub-contractors will be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

20. UNCONTROLLABLE CIRCUMSTANCES ("Force Majeure")

The City and Contractor will be excused from the performance of their respective obligations under this agreement when and to the extent that their performance is delayed or prevented by any circumstances beyond their control including, fire, flood, explosion, strikes or other labor disputes, act of God or public emergency, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, act or omission of any governmental authority, delay or failure or shortage of any type of transportation, equipment, or service from a public utility needed for their performance, provided that:

A. The non performing party gives the other party prompt written notice describing the particulars of the Force Majeure including, but not limited to, the nature of the occurrence and its expected duration, and continues to furnish timely reports with respect thereto during the period of the Force Majeure;

B. The excuse of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the Force Majeure;

C. No obligations of either party that arose before the Force Majeure causing the excuse of performance are excused as a result of the Force Majeure; and

D. The non performing party uses its best efforts to remedy its inability to perform.

Notwithstanding the above, performance shall not be excused under this Section for a period in excess of two (2) months, provided that in extenuating circumstances, the City may excuse performance for a longer term. Economic hardship of the Contractor will not constitute Force Majeure. The term of the agreement shall be extended by a period equal to that during which either party's performance is suspended under this Section.

21. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

NOTE: Contractor, by submitting a proposal attests she/he/it has not been placed on the

convicted vendor list.

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for Category Two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

22. **DAMAGE TO PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY**

Extreme care shall be taken to safeguard all existing facilities, site amenities, irrigation systems, vehicles, etc. on or around the job site. Damage to public and/or private property shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall be repaired and/or replaced at no additional cost to the City.

23. **SAFETY**

The Contractor(s) shall adhere to the Florida Department of Transportation's Uniform manual on Traffic Control for construction and maintenance work zones when working on or near a roadway. It will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to make themselves and their employees fully aware of these provisions, especially those applicable to safety.

24. **CANADIAN COMPANIES**

The City may enforce in the United States of America or in Canada or in both countries a judgment entered against the Contractor. The Contractor waives any and all defenses to the City's enforcement in Canada, of a judgment entered by a court in the United States of America. All monetary amounts set forth in this Contract are in United States dollars.

25. **LOBBYING ACTIVITIES**

ALL CONTRACTORS PLEASE NOTE: Any contractor submitting a response to this solicitation must comply, if applicable, with City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-00-27 & Resolution No. 07-101, Lobbying Activities. Copies of Ordinance No. C-00-27 and Resolution No. 07-101 may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/clerk/LobbyistDocs/lobbyistord1009.pdf> .

26. **BID TABULATIONS/INTENT TO AWARD**

Notice of Intent to Award Contract/Bid, resulting from the City's Formal solicitation process, requiring City Commission action, may be found at: http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/notices_of_intent.htm . Tabulations of receipt of those parties responding to a formal solicitation may be found at: <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/bidresults.htm> , or any interested party may call the Procurement Services Division at 954-828-5933.

27. **SAMPLE CONTRACT AGREEMENT**

A sample of the formal agreement template, which may be required to be executed by the awarded vendor can be found at our website <http://fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/general/contractsample021412.pdf>

PART II - SCOPE OF SERVICES/TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

01. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The City of Fort Lauderdale is requesting bids for the installation of plant materials, sod, mulch and trees in the City's medians. Also requested is the removal of various trees.

The successful bidder must furnish all materials, manpower, trucks, and/or other equipment necessary to provide the services as specified within this Invitation to Bid. It is requested that once the notice to proceed begins, the job will be completed within 60 calendar days.

The contractor will be responsible for all necessary permits and utility locations. All medians must have the ground level equal with curbing adding topsoil where necessary.

The median locations are as follows:

- Powerline Road:** from Sunrise Blvd north to Middle River Canal, just north of NW 19 Street; Commercial Blvd. north to Cypress Creek Road
- SW 4 Avenue:** from SW 5 Street south to State Road 84
- Federal Highway:** from Sunrise Blvd. north to 65 Street
- NW/NE 13 Street:** from NW 9 Avenue east to Federal Highway
- A1A:** from NW 21 Street north to Oakland Park Blvd.
- A1A-Galt Ocean Mile:** swales as indicated from NE 33 Street north to Fort Royal Isle

02. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

01. INSPECTION/REJECTION/REPLACEMENT

- a. The City reserves the right to inspect all materials upon delivery and prior to acceptance. Material that is not in compliance with the specifications shall be refused. The City shall have no liability for any costs associated with such refusal and removal of plant material from the delivery site.
- b. Contractor shall promptly replace any unacceptable materials with a product that is in compliance with contract specifications.

02. INSTALLATION RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. The Contractor shall clear and remove from the area to be planted all existing plant material as designated, as well as all weeds, rocks, palm fronds, mulch, branches, litter, and all debris prior to installing plants. Disposal of all such debris (including existing turf) in a proper manner shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. Debris shall not be deposited into city or privately owned trash receptacles or dumpsters.
- b. The existing soil shall be amended with either Canadian Peat Moss or a commercial blend of potting soil to be approved by the city. Osmocote 14-14-14, amount determined by label, shall be blended into soil amendment and mixture shall be spread to completely cover the space to be planted to a depth of 2 inches and roto-tilled in until the soil is thoroughly mixed.
- c. Pre-emergent herbicide shall be applied according to label before planting.
- d. Contractor shall provide plants and trees that are healthy, free of insects and disease and are Florida Grade #1 or better.
- e. City shall meet with the Contractor and discuss desired beds, plants, sizes and spacing.

- f. Plants shall be installed as specified in "Grades and Standards for Nursery Plants" and by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Division of the plant industry in accordance with standardized horticultural procedures.
- g. Plants are to be planted slightly above grade.
- h. Contractor will contact the City when planting is complete for inspection.
- i. The Contractor shall not utilize any defoliant, herbicide, or growth retardant for the purpose of restricting or removing growth in any manner without prior approval of the City Forester or designee.

03. PLANT MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

All plants must be Florida Grade No. 1 or better and must meet the approval of the City. Plants must be insect, disease, fungus and weed-free. Any plant materials obtained as a result of this contract that are found to have insects (dead or alive) or which do not meet the aforementioned requirements shall be refused and shall require replacement.

All plants provided shall be at an equal height. Plants should be individually potted, not grown in cell packs or cell trays. Plants must be rooted out in pots but not pot bound; plants recently up-potted will not be acceptable. Older plants that have been pruned back will not be accepted. Plants should be grown in a Canadian peat mix soil.

04. TREE SPECIFICATIONS

- a. Awarded bidder shall remove existing trees and provide and install trees in accordance to specifications.
- b. Contractor shall be responsible for securing locations for underground utilities.
- c. Existing trees are to be removed according to acceptable industry and safety standards and all debris removed from worksite at the expense of the contractor.
- d. No debris is to be left on the sidewalk overnight.
- e. Safety of pedestrians and vehicles are of the utmost concern and should be taken into account during all operations. Appropriate warning such as signs and cones to warn pedestrian traffic must be utilized.
- f. Stumps and rootballs are to be removed from the site.
- g. Planting holes shall be backfilled with 60/40 sterilized soil mix.
- h. All new trees are to be single trunk and Florida Grade #1 or better with no insect or disease problems or damage to trunks or foliage. Open trunk and branch wounds shall not be wider than 10% of the circumference of the trunk or branch the wound is on and shall not be more than 2 inches long (tall). Properly made pruning cuts are not considered open trunk wounds. There should be no conks or bleeding, and there should be no signs of insects or disease on more than 5% of the tree.
- i. The City Forester or representative must inspect the trees prior to installation.
- j. Trees are to be planted and staked in accordance to current accepted standards.
- k. Contractor shall be responsible for repairs of damaged electrical wires and conduit, irrigation systems or any other damages done as a result of the installations.
- l. Trees shall be guaranteed for one (1) year of final acceptance.
- m. There shall be no roots greater than 1/10 diameter of the trunk circling more than one-third the way around in the top half of the root ball. Roots larger than this may be cut off provided they are smaller than one-third the trunk diameter.
- n. Contractor is responsible for delivery of all needed material to complete the project. No city services shall be available for transport of any material.

- o. Trees should be rooted into the root ball so that soil or media remains intact and trunk and root ball move as one when lifted, but not root bound. The trunk should bend when gently pushed and should not be loose so it pivots at or below the soil line.
- p. The point where the top-most root in the root ball emerges from the trunk shall be within two inches of the soil surface. It can be exposed and visible at the soil surface.
- q. The relationship between caliper, height, and root ball size shall meet the ANSI Z60.1 standard or the Florida grades and standards for nursery stock.
- r. The tree canopy should be mostly symmetrical and free of large voids. Clear trunk should be no more than 40% of tree height unless otherwise specified in the planting specifications.
- s. All stumps must be ground so additional plants and trees can be installed in the same hole.
- t. Contractor is responsible for obtaining all tree removal permits.

05. **MULCH REQUIREMENTS/ SPECIFICATIONS**

Mulch shall be of the recycled, dyed brown variety and shall be free of sand, dirt, CCA treated lumber, seed, and other foreign matter. Size shall not exceed three inches (3").

Mulch shall be uniformly distributed at a minimum depth of three inches (3") to a maximum depth of four inches (4") around all trees, plants and shrubs on the medians.

Mulch is to be installed around all trees, plants and shrubs on all medians.

06. **SAFETY**

The Contractor shall adhere to the Florida Department of Transportation's Uniform Manual on Traffic control for construction and maintenance work zones. It will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to make himself/herself and employees fully aware of these provisions, especially those applicable to safety.

The contractor shall be fully responsible for the performance of his/her company and the completion of all work as outlined in these specifications. The contractor shall employ sound horticultural practices and methods standard in the industry. Supervision of personnel shall be conducted in a competent and professional manner. All personnel shall wear uniforms bearing the company name and all vehicles shall be likewise identifiable.

Due to Contractor will be working in traffic medians, personnel are required to wear safety vests. Proper safety signage, such as "Men Working Ahead", cones, flagmen or other warning devices should be used to alert motorists of work in the area. All signs shall be temporary and must be in accordance with the Florida Department of Transportation's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and Safe Practices. OSHA standards shall be utilized where applicable. Installed price must include Maintenance of Traffic (M.O.T.) on roadways.

07. **REQUIREMENTS BY LOCATION (Refer to Exhibit A for detailed listing)**

Powerline

Mully Grass, 3 gallon - 130 each

Green Island Ficus, 3 gallon – 1,915 each
 Sabal Palms, 8' of clear trunk – 5 each
 Small Silver Buttonwoods, 1gallon – 220 each
 Junipers, 1 gallon – 100 each
 Coco Plums, 3 gallon - 460 each
 Thatch Palms, 45 gallon, 3ft of wood – 10 each

Sod, Installed - 3,735 SQ FT

SW 4th Ave

Dwarf Firebush – 235 each

Federal Highway

Tree Removals: black olive, tabebuia, mahoganies, sabal palms, acacia trees, 109 total removals

Tree Replacements: Oak trees, 100 gallon - 75 each

Sod, Installed – St. Augustine Floratam – 118,670 SQ FT

Removal of trinettes, crown of thorns, hedges, crotons, plants and bushes as indicated in Exhibit A.

13 Street

Sod, Installed - St. Augustine Floratam - 21,049 SQ FT

A1A

Tree removals: 80 sabals, 12 black olives, 2 silver buttonwoods

Tree replacements: 90 coconut palms 20' overall height, 8' minimum gray wood

Plant Installation: 12,000 green island ficus, 3 gallon; 90 silver buttonwood, standard 5-6' single stemmed

A1A-Galt Ocean Mile

Trees Installed: Canary Date Palms, 25-30' overall height, 15' of gray wood – 5 each at entranceways on swales at NE 33 Street north to Fort Royal Isle.

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Federal Hwy	Trees to be removed	Trees to be installed	Sod	Other
6232 N. Fed Hwy	2 Calophyllum	2 Oaks	Re-sod	Remove Trinette bushes/ Crotons
5990	1 small Sabal / 1 small Tab		close in beds with sod	Remove Phylodendron/ Crown of Thorn
5810	4 Mahogany	3 Oaks	Re-sod	
5740	1 Yellow Tab, 4 Black Olives, 1 Acacia	3 Oaks	close in beds with sod	Remove all hedges and low plants
At 57st			Re-sod	Remove bushes
S/57st			Re-sod	Remove bushes
5555	4 Mahogany		Re-sod	
At 55st			Re-sod	Remove bushes
5457	4 Black Olives	4 Oaks	Re-sod	
5429			Re-sod	Remove bushes
5148	3 Mahogany, 4 Tabs, 3 Black Olives	3 Oaks	Re-sod	Remove Phlodendron/ dead bushes, close in beds with sod
At 49st			Re-sod	
S/49st	2 Black Olives, 1 Mahogany	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
4834	3 Sabals	4 Oaks	Re-sod	
4540	3 Black Olives	4 Oaks	Re-sod	
4460	5 Black Olives, 1 Mahogany	8 Oaks	Re-sod	
4211	1 Mahogany/ 2 Sabals	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
4109	4 Black Olives/ 1 Sabal	4 Oaks	Re-sod	
4005	2 Mahogany/ 1 Sabal	3 Oaks	Re-sod	
3880	3 Black Olives, 1 Mahogany, 2 Pink Tabs	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
3811	4 Black Olives, 1 Mahogany	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
3471	2 Pink Tabs / 3 Sabals		Re-sod	
3343	2 Black Olives, 2 Yellow tabs/ 7 Sabals	2 Oaks	Re-sod	
3300	1 Mahogany,	2 Oaks	Re-sod	
3000			Re-sod	
2960	5 Black Olives/ 6 Sabals	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
2754	1 Tab, 6 Black Olives	5 Oaks	Re-sod	
2501	3 Black Olives		Re-sod	
2205	Leave As is			
1901			Re-sod where crowns were.	Remove Crown of Thorn
At 19st			Re-sod where Crotons were.	Remove Crotons
1721	2 Black Olives	3 Oaks	Re-sod where Crowns and Crotons were	Remove Crown of Thorn and Crotons
1601			Re-sod where Crotons were.	Remove Crown of Thorn
S/16st across from office depot			Re-sod where Crotons were.	Remove Crotons
1413			Re-sod	
	109 removals Includes stump grinding	75 installations		Mulch all beds

A1A	Trees to be removed	Trees to be installed	Plants to be installed
NE 21st to Oakland Park Blvd	12 Black Olives 80 Sabals 2 Silver button wood	90 Coconuts 90 Silver button wood	12,000 green Island ficus
	Includes stump grinding mulch all beds		

A1A-Galt Ocean Mile	Trees to be installed
1-North ocean Blvd & Galt Ocean Drive-NE 33 St	1 Canary Date Palm
2-NW corner Galt Ocean Drive and NE 35 St	1 Canary Date Palm
3-SW corner Galt Ocean Drive and NE 35 St	1 Canary Date Palm
4-SW corner of NE 36 St and Galt Ocean Drive	1 Canary Date Palm
5-swale at Galt Ocean Drive, Fort Royal Isle & N Ocean Drive	1 Canary Date Palm

NW/NE 13 Street

Sod

East of NW 2av	Add soil and re-sod
East of NW 4 av	Add soil and re-sod
East of NW 8av	Add soil and re-sod
East of NW 6av	Add soil and re-sod
East of 901 E. 13st	Re-sod small median
206 NE 13st	Re-sod
East of 13av	Add soil and re-sod
East of NE 16 ter	Add soil and re-sod

Powerline Road - install mulch around all plants & trees

(Quantities listed in Part II, Section 7 of Technical Specifications, placement to be determined at time of planting)

1032 Sunrise Blvd	install sod first median install sod second median
1412 Powerline	install green island ficus both ends
1534 Powerline	install green island ficus both ends install sod
17 St & Powerline	install green island ficus both ends install sod
1712 Powerline	install green island ficus both ends install sod install 5 sabals at south end
2201 Powerline in front of Mills Pond Park	install silver buttonwoods install junipers remove sod
Powerline just north of Commercial-BJ's	remove sod cocoplum on both ends muhlie grass in middle with band green island ficus
Powerline 53 St	replace sod
DOT Bldg	install thatch palms install green island ficus both ends replace sod
5601 Powerline	remove sod add cocoplum
57th Ct Powerline	replace sod
5841 Powerline	add cocoplum remove sod
59 Ct Powerline	replace sod add 4 thatch palms
6001 World Store	replace sod
6600 Powerline	leave as is, no changes

SW 4th Avenue Medians - install mulch around all plants and trees planting)

(Quantities listed in Part II, Section 7 of Technical Specifications, placement to be determined at time of planting)

23 Street 4th Ave	take out old plants add dwarf firebush
1800 4th Ave	take out old plants add dwarf firebush
16 St South side 4 ave	take out old plants add dwarf firebush
12 Ct & 4th Ave	take out old plants add dwarf firebush

**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
GENERAL CONDITIONS**

These instructions are standard for all contracts for commodities or services issued through the City of Fort Lauderdale Procurement Services Division. The City may delete, supersede, or modify any of these standard instructions for a particular contract by indicating such change in the Invitation to Bid (ITB) Special Conditions, Technical Specifications, Instructions, Proposal Pages, Addenda, and Legal Advertisement. In this general conditions document, Invitation to Bid (ITB) and Request for Proposal (RFP) are interchangeable.

PART I BIDDER PROPOSAL PAGE(S) CONDITIONS:

- 1.01 BIDDER ADDRESS:** The City maintains automated vendor address lists that have been generated for each specific Commodity Class item through our bid issuing service, BidSync. Notices of Invitations to Bid (ITB'S) are sent by e-mail to the selection of bidders who have fully registered with BidSync or faxed (if applicable) to every vendor on those lists, who may then view the bid documents online. Bidders who have been informed of a bid's availability in any other manner are responsible for registering with BidSync in order to view the bid documents. There is no fee for doing so. If you wish bid notifications be provided to another e-mail address or fax, please contact BidSync. If you wish purchase orders sent to a different address, please so indicate in your bid response. If you wish payments sent to a different address, please so indicate on your invoice.
- 1.02 DELIVERY:** Time will be of the essence for any orders placed as a result of this ITB. The City reserves the right to cancel any orders, or part thereof, without obligation if delivery is not made in accordance with the schedule specified by the Bidder and accepted by the City.
- 1.03 PACKING SLIPS:** It will be the responsibility of the awarded Contractor, to attach all packing slips to the OUTSIDE of each shipment. Packing slips must provide a detailed description of what is to be received and reference the City of Fort Lauderdale purchase order number that is associated with the shipment. Failure to provide a detailed packing slip attached to the outside of shipment may result in refusal of shipment at Contractor's expense.
- 1.04 PAYMENT TERMS AND CASH DISCOUNTS:** Payment terms, unless otherwise stated in this ITB, will be considered to be net 45 days after the date of satisfactory delivery at the place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified, whichever occurs last. Bidder may offer cash discounts for prompt payment but they will not be considered in determination of award. If a Bidder offers a discount, it is understood that the discount time will be computed from the date of satisfactory delivery, at the place of acceptance, and receipt of correct invoice, at the office specified, whichever occurs last.
- 1.05 TOTAL BID DISCOUNT:** If Bidder offers a discount for award of all items listed in the bid, such discount shall be deducted from the total of the firm net unit prices bid and shall be considered in tabulation and award of bid.
- 1.06 BIDS FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE:** Bidder warrants, by virtue of bidding, that the bid and the prices quoted in the bid will be firm for acceptance by the City for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of bid opening unless otherwise stated in the ITB.
- 1.07 VARIANCES:** For purposes of bid evaluation, Bidder's must indicate any variances, no matter how slight, from ITB General Conditions, Special Conditions, Specifications or Addenda in the space provided in the ITB. No variations or exceptions by a Bidder will be considered or deemed a part of the bid submitted unless such variances or exceptions are listed in the bid and referenced in the space provided on the bidder proposal pages. If variances are not stated, or referenced as required, it will be assumed that the product or service fully complies with the City's terms, conditions, and specifications.
- By receiving a bid, City does not necessarily accept any variances contained in the bid. All variances submitted are subject to review and approval by the City. If any bid contains material variances that, in the City's sole opinion, make that bid conditional in nature, the City reserves the right to reject the bid or part of the bid that is declared, by the City as conditional.
- 1.08 NO BIDS:** If you do not intend to bid please indicate the reason, such as insufficient time to respond, do not offer product or service, unable to meet specifications, schedule would not permit, or any other reason, in the space provided in this ITB. Failure to bid or return no bid comments prior to the bid due and opening date and time, indicated in this ITB, may result in your firm being deleted from our Bidder's registration list for the Commodity Class Item requested in this ITB.
- 1.09 MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION AND BUSINESS DEFINITIONS:** The City of Fort Lauderdale wants to increase the participation of Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), and Small Business Enterprises (SBE) in its procurement activities. If your firm qualifies in accordance with the below definitions please indicate in the space provided in this ITB.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) "A Minority Business" is a business enterprise that is owned or controlled by one or more socially or economically disadvantaged persons. Such disadvantage may arise from cultural, racial, chronic economic circumstances or background or other similar cause. Such persons include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

The term "Minority Business Enterprise" means a business at least 51 percent of which is owned by minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by minority group members. For the purpose of the preceding sentence, minority group members are citizens of the United States who include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

Women Business Enterprise (WBE) a "Women Owned or Controlled Business" is a business enterprise at least 51 percent of which is owned by females or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by females.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) "Small Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal entity formed for the purpose of making a profit, which is independently owned and operated, has either fewer than 100 employees or less than \$1,000,000 in annual gross receipts.

BLACK, which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

WHITE, which includes persons whose origins are Anglo-Saxon and Europeans and persons of Indo-European decent including Pakistani and East Indian.

HISPANIC, which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

NATIVE AMERICAN, which includes persons whose origins are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians.

ASIAN AMERICAN, which includes persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands.

1.10 MINORITY-WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

It is the desire of the City of Fort Lauderdale to increase the participation of minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the City does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms. Proposers are requested to include in their proposals a narrative describing their past accomplishments and intended actions in this area. If proposers are considering minority or women owned enterprise participation in their proposal, those firms, and their specific duties have to be identified in the proposal. If a proposer is considered for award, he or she will be asked to meet with City staff so that the intended MBE/WBE participation can be formalized and included in the subsequent contract.

1.11 SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

This Section applies to any contract for goods or services of \$1 million or more:

The Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised. The City may terminate this Contract at the City's option if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or has engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised.

1.12 DEBARRED OR SUSPENDED BIDDERS OR PROPOSERS

The bidder or proposer certifies, by submission of a response to this solicitation, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency.

Part II DEFINITIONS/ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:

2.01 BIDDING DEFINITIONS The City will use the following definitions in its general conditions, special conditions, technical specifications, instructions to bidders, addenda and any other document used in the bidding process:

INVITATION TO BID (ITB) when the City is requesting bids from qualified Bidders.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) when the City is requesting proposals from qualified Proposers.

BID – a price and terms quote received in response to an ITB.

PROPOSAL – a proposal received in response to an RFP.

BIDDER – Person or firm submitting a Bid.

PROPOSER – Person or firm submitting a Proposal.

RESPONSIVE BIDDER – A person whose bid conforms in all material respects to the terms and conditions included in the ITB.

RESPONSIBLE BIDDER – A person who has the capability in all respects to perform in full the contract requirements, as stated in the ITB, and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance.

FIRST RANKED PROPOSER – That Proposer, responding to a City RFP, whose Proposal is deemed by the City, the most advantageous to the City after applying the evaluation criteria contained in the RFP.

SELLER – Successful Bidder or Proposer who is awarded a Purchase Order or Contract to provide goods or services to the City.

CONTRACTOR – Successful Bidder or Proposer who is awarded a Purchase Order, award Contract, Blanket Purchase Order agreement, or Term Contract to provide goods or services to the City.

CONTRACT – A deliberate verbal or written agreement between two or more competent parties to perform or not to perform a certain act or acts, including all types of agreements, regardless of what they may be called, for the procurement or disposal of equipment, materials, supplies, services or construction.

CONSULTANT – Successful Bidder or Proposer who is awarded a contract to provide professional services to the City.

The following terms may be used interchangeably by the City: ITB and/or RFP; Bid or Proposal; Bidder, Proposer, or Seller; Contractor or Consultant; Contract, Award, Agreement or Purchase Order.

2.02 SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Any and all Special Conditions contained in this ITB that may be in variance or conflict with these General Conditions shall have precedence over these General Conditions. If no changes or deletions to General Conditions are made in the Special Conditions, then the General Conditions shall prevail in their entirety,

PART III BIDDING AND AWARD PROCEDURES:

- 3.01 SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF BIDS:** To receive consideration, bids must be received prior to the bid opening date and time. Unless otherwise specified, Bidders should use the proposal forms provided by the City. These forms may be duplicated, but failure to use the forms may cause the bid to be rejected. Any erasures or corrections on the bid must be made in ink and initialed by Bidder in ink. All information submitted by the Bidder shall be printed, typewritten or filled in with pen and ink. Bids shall be signed in ink. Separate bids must be submitted for each ITB issued by the City in separate sealed envelopes properly marked. When a particular ITB or RFP requires multiple copies of bids or proposals they may be included in a single envelope or package properly sealed and identified. Only send bids via facsimile transmission (FAX) if the ITB specifically states that bids sent via FAX will be considered. If such a statement is not included in the ITB, bids sent via FAX will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the Procurement Office, or other designated area, in the presence of Bidders, the public, and City staff. Bidders and the public are invited and encouraged to attend bid openings. Bids will be tabulated and made available for review by Bidder's and the public in accordance with applicable regulations.
- 3.02 MODEL NUMBER CORRECTIONS:** If the model number for the make specified in this ITB is incorrect, or no longer available and replaced with an updated model with new specifications, the Bidder shall enter the correct model number on the bidder proposal page. In the case of an updated model with new specifications, Bidder shall provide adequate information to allow the City to determine if the model bid meets the City's requirements.
- 3.03 PRICES QUOTED:** Deduct trade discounts, and quote firm net prices. Give both unit price and extended total. In the case of a discrepancy in computing the amount of the bid, the unit price quoted will govern. All prices quoted shall be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid (Bidder pays and bears freight charges, Bidder owns goods in transit and files any claims), unless otherwise stated in Special Conditions. Each item must be bid separately. No attempt shall be made to tie any item or items contained in the ITB with any other business with the City.
- 3.04 TAXES:** The City of Fort Lauderdale is exempt from Federal Excise and Florida Sales taxes on direct purchase of tangible property. Exemption number for EIN is 59-6000319, and State Sales tax exemption number is 85-8013875578C-1.
- 3.05 WARRANTIES OF USAGE:** Any quantities listed in this ITB as estimated or projected are provided for tabulation and information purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.
- 3.06 APPROVED EQUAL:** When the technical specifications call for a brand name, manufacturer, make, model, or vendor catalog number with acceptance of APPROVED EQUAL, it shall be for the purpose of establishing a level of quality and features desired and acceptable to the City. In such cases, the City will be receptive to any unit that would be considered by qualified City personnel as an approved equal. In that the specified make and model represent a level of quality and features desired by the City, the Bidder must state clearly in the bid any variance from those specifications. It is the Bidder's responsibility to provide adequate information, in the bid, to enable the City to ensure that the bid meets the required criteria. If adequate information is not submitted with the bid, it may be rejected. The City will be the sole judge in determining if the item bid qualifies as an approved equal.
- 3.07 MINIMUM AND MANDATORY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:** The technical specifications may include items that are considered minimum, mandatory, or required. If any Bidder is unable to meet or exceed these items, and feels that the technical specifications are overly restrictive, the bidder must notify the Procurement Services Division immediately. Such notification must be received by the Procurement Services Division prior to the deadline contained in the ITB, for questions of a material nature, or prior to five (5) days before bid due and open date, whichever occurs first. If no such notification is received prior to that deadline, the City will consider the technical specifications to be acceptable to all bidders.
- 3.08 MISTAKES:** Bidders are cautioned to examine all terms, conditions, specifications, drawings, exhibits, addenda, delivery instructions and special conditions pertaining to the ITB. Failure of the Bidder to examine all pertinent documents shall not entitle the bidder to any relief from the conditions imposed in the contract.
- 3.09 SAMPLES AND DEMONSTRATIONS:** Samples or inspection of product may be requested to determine suitability. Unless otherwise specified in Special Conditions, samples shall be requested after the date of bid opening, and if requested should be received by the City within seven (7) working days of request. Samples, when requested, must be furnished free of expense to the City and if not used in testing or destroyed, will upon request of the Bidder, be returned within thirty (30) days of bid award at Bidder's expense. When required, the City may request full demonstrations of units prior to award. When such demonstrations are requested, the Bidder shall respond promptly and arrange a demonstration at a convenient location. Failure to provide samples or demonstrations as specified by the City may result in rejection of a bid.
- 3.10 LIFE CYCLE COSTING:** If so specified in the ITB, the City may elect to evaluate equipment proposed on the basis of total cost of ownership. In using Life Cycle Costing, factors such as the following may be considered: estimated useful life, maintenance costs, cost of supplies, labor intensity, energy usage, environmental impact, and residual value. The City reserves the right to use those or other applicable criteria, in its sole opinion that will most accurately estimate total cost of use and ownership.
- 3.11 BIDDING ITEMS WITH RECYCLED CONTENT:** In addressing environmental concerns, the City of Fort Lauderdale encourages Bidders to submit bids or alternate bids containing items with recycled content. When submitting bids containing items with recycled content, Bidder shall provide documentation adequate for the City to verify the recycled content. The City prefers packaging consisting of materials that are degradable or able to be recycled. When specifically stated in the ITB, the City may give preference to bids containing items manufactured with recycled material or packaging that is able to be recycled.
- 3.12 USE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL CONTRACTS:** The City reserves the right to reject any part or all of any bids received and utilize other available governmental contracts, if such action is in its best interest.
- 3.13 QUALIFICATIONS/INSPECTION:** Bids will only be considered from firms normally engaged in providing the types of commodities/services specified herein. The City reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's facilities, equipment, personnel, and

organization at any time, or to take any other action necessary to determine Bidder's ability to perform. The Procurement Director reserves the right to reject bids where evidence or evaluation is determined to indicate inability to perform.

- 3.14 BID SURETY:** If Special Conditions require a bid security, it shall be submitted in the amount stated. A bid security can be in the form of a bid bond or cashiers check. Bid security will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders as soon as practicable after opening of bids. Bid security will be returned to the successful bidder after acceptance of the performance bond, if required; acceptance of insurance coverage, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; or conditions as stated in Special Conditions.
- 3.15 PUBLIC RECORDS/TRADE SECRETS/COPYRIGHT:** The Proposer's response to the RFP is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this RFP and the Contract to be executed for this RFP, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the RFP, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP constitutes a Trade Secret. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records. Proposals purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part will be rejected.

EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE RFP AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE RFP OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED.

- 3.16 PROHIBITION OF INTEREST:** No contract will be awarded to a bidding firm who has City elected officials, officers or employees affiliated with it, unless the bidding firm has fully complied with current Florida State Statutes and City Ordinances relating to this issue. Bidders must disclose any such affiliation. Failure to disclose any such affiliation will result in disqualification of the Bidder and removal of the Bidder from the City's bidder lists and prohibition from engaging in any business with the City.
- 3.17 RESERVATIONS FOR AWARD AND REJECTION OF BIDS:** The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, part of bids, and to waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications contained in bids, and minor irregularities in the bidding process. The City also reserves the right to award the contract on a split order basis, lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall best serve the interest of the City. The City reserves the right to make an award to the responsive and responsible bidder whose product or service meets the terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB and whose bid is considered to best serve the City's interest. In determining the responsiveness of the offer and the responsibility of the Bidder, the following shall be considered when applicable: the ability, capacity and skill of the Bidder to perform as required; whether the Bidder can perform promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference; the character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the Bidder; the quality of past performance by the Bidder; the previous and existing compliance by the Bidder with related laws and ordinances; the sufficiency of the Bidder's financial resources; the availability, quality and adaptability of the Bidder's supplies or services to the required use; the ability of the Bidder to provide future maintenance, service or parts; the number and scope of conditions attached to the bid.

If the ITB provides for a contract trial period, the City reserves the right, in the event the selected bidder does not perform satisfactorily, to award a trial period to the next ranked bidder or to award a contract to the next ranked bidder, if that bidder has successfully provided services to the City in the past. This procedure to continue until a bidder is selected or the contract is re-bid, at the sole option of the City.

- 3.18 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Applicable provisions of all federal, state, county laws, and local ordinances, rules and regulations, shall govern development, submittal and evaluation of all bids received in response hereto and shall govern any and all claims and disputes which may arise between person(s) submitting a bid response hereto and the City by and through its officers, employees and authorized representatives, or any other person, natural or otherwise; and lack of knowledge by any bidder shall not constitute a cognizable defense against the legal effect thereof.
- 3.19 BID PROTEST PROCEDURE: ANY PROPOSER OR BIDDER WHO IS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD OF A CONTRACT AND WHO ALLEGES A FAILURE BY THE CITY TO FOLLOW THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE OR ANY APPLICABLE LAW MAY PROTEST TO THE DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES DIVISION (DIRECTOR), BY DELIVERING A LETTER OF PROTEST TO THE DIRECTOR WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS AFTER A NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD IS POSTED ON THE CITY'S WEB SITE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:**
http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/notices_of_intent.htm

THE COMPLETE PROTEST ORDINANCE MAY BE FOUND ON THE CITY'S WEB SITE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:
<http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/protestordinance.pdf>

PART IV BONDS AND INSURANCE

- 4.01 PERFORMANCE BOND:** If a performance bond is required in Special Conditions, the Contractor shall within fifteen (15) working days after notification of award, furnish to the City a Performance Bond, payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in the face amount specified in Special Conditions as surety for faithful performance under the terms and conditions of the contract. If the bond is on an annual coverage basis, renewal for each succeeding year shall be submitted to the City thirty (30) days prior to the termination date of the existing Performance Bond. The Performance Bond must be executed by a surety company of recognized

standing, authorized to do business in the State of Florida and having a resident agent.

Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

- 4.02 INSURANCE:** If the Contractor is required to go on to City property to perform work or services as a result of ITB award, the Contractor shall assume full responsibility and expense to obtain all necessary insurance as required by City or specified in Special Conditions.

The Contractor shall provide to the Procurement Services Division original certificates of coverage and receive notification of approval of those certificates by the City's Risk Manager prior to engaging in any activities under this contract. The Contractor's insurance is subject to the approval of the City's Risk Manager. The certificates must list the City as an ADDITIONAL INSURED for General Liability Insurance, and shall have no less than thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation or material change. Further modification of the insurance requirements may be made at the sole discretion of the City's Risk Manager if circumstances change or adequate protection of the City is not presented. Bidder, by submitting the bid, agrees to abide by such modifications.

PART V PURCHASE ORDER AND CONTRACT TERMS:

- 5.01 COMPLIANCE TO SPECIFICATIONS, LATE DELIVERIES/PENALTIES:** Items offered may be tested for compliance to bid specifications. Items delivered which do not conform to bid specifications may be rejected and returned at Contractor's expense. Any violation resulting in contract termination for cause or delivery of items not conforming to specifications, or late delivery may also result in:
- Bidders name being removed from the City's bidder's mailing list for a specified period and Bidder will not be recommended for any award during that period.
 - All City Departments being advised to refrain from doing business with the Bidder.
 - All other remedies in law or equity.
- 5.02 ACCEPTANCE, CONDITION, AND PACKAGING:** The material delivered in response to ITB award shall remain the property of the Seller until a physical inspection is made and the material accepted to the satisfaction of the City. The material must comply fully with the terms of the ITB, be of the required quality, new, and the latest model. All containers shall be suitable for storage and shipment by common carrier, and all prices shall include standard commercial packaging. The City will not accept substitutes of any kind. Any substitutes or material not meeting specifications will be returned at the Bidder's expense. Payment will be made only after City receipt and acceptance of materials or services.
- 5.03 SAFETY STANDARDS:** All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall comply with applicable requirements of the Occupation Safety and Health Act of 1970 as amended, and be in compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes. Any toxic substance listed in Section 38F-41.03 of the Florida Administrative Code delivered as a result of this order must be accompanied by a completed Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- 5.04 ASBESTOS STATEMENT:** All material supplied must be 100% asbestos free. Bidder, by virtue of bidding, certifies that if awarded any portion of the ITB the bidder will supply only material or equipment that is 100% asbestos free.
- 5.05 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:** If the Bidder is awarded a contract as a result of this ITB, the bidder may, if the bidder has sufficient capacity or quantities available, provide to other governmental agencies, so requesting, the products or services awarded in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ITB and resulting contract. Prices shall be F.O.B. delivered to the requesting agency.
- 5.06 VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS PROCEDURE:** No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Contractor as a result of any discussions with any City employee. Only those communications which are in writing from an authorized City representative may be considered. Only written communications from Contractors, which are assigned by a person designated as authorized to bind the Contractor, will be recognized by the City as duly authorized expressions on behalf of Contractors.
- 5.07 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** The Contractor is an independent contractor under this Agreement. Personal services provided by the Proposer shall be by employees of the Contractor and subject to supervision by the Contractor, and not as officers, employees, or agents of the City. Personnel policies, tax responsibilities, social security, health insurance, employee benefits, procurement policies unless otherwise stated in this ITB, and other similar administrative procedures applicable to services rendered under this contract shall be those of the Contractor.
- 5.08 INDEMNITY/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT:** The Contractor agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Fort Lauderdale and its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, claims, costs, charges for other expenses, or liabilities of every and any kind including attorneys fees, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of the work agreed to or performed by Contractor under the terms of any agreement that may arise due to the bidding process. Without limiting the foregoing, any and all such claims, suits, or other actions relating to personal injury, death, damage to property, defects in materials or workmanship, actual or alleged violations of any applicable Statute, ordinance, administrative order, rule or regulation, or decree of any court shall be included in the indemnity hereunder.
- 5.09 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:** If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the provisions of this Agreement, the City may upon written notice to the Contractor terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Agreement, or with such part or parts of the Agreement as to which there has been default, and may hold the Contractor liable for any damages caused to the City by reason of such default and termination. In the event of such termination, any completed services performed by the Contractor under this Agreement shall, at the option of the City, become the City's property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive equitable compensation for any work completed to the satisfaction of the City. The Contractor, however, shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by reason of any breach of the Agreement by the Contractor, and the City may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the amount of damages due to the City from the

Contractor can be determined.

- 5.10 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The City reserves the right, in its best interest as determined by the City, to cancel contract by giving written notice to the Contractor thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation.
- 5.11 CANCELLATION FOR UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS:** The obligation of the City for payment to a Contractor is limited to the availability of funds appropriated in a current fiscal period, and continuation of the contract into a subsequent fiscal period is subject to appropriation of funds, unless otherwise authorized by law.
- 5.12 RECORDS/AUDIT:** The Contractor shall maintain during the term of the contract all books of account, reports and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and standards for records directly related to this contract. The Contractor agrees to make available to the City Auditor or designee, during normal business hours and in Broward, Miami-Dade or Palm Beach Counties, all books of account, reports and records relating to this contract should be retained for the duration of the contract and for three years after the final payment under this Agreement, or until all pending audits, investigations or litigation matters relating to the contract are closed, whichever is later.
- 5.13 PERMITS, TAXES, LICENSES:** The successful Contractor shall, at their own expense, obtain all necessary permits, pay all licenses, fees and taxes, required to comply with all local ordinances, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to business to be carried out under this contract.
- 5.14 LAWS/ORDINANCES:** The Contractor shall observe and comply with all Federal, state, local and municipal laws, ordinances rules and regulations that would apply to this contract.
- 5.15 NON-DISCRIMINATION:** There shall be no discrimination as to race, sex, color, creed, age or national origin in the operations conducted under this contract.
- 5.16 UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:** If during a contract term where costs to the City are to remain firm or adjustments are restricted by a percentage or CPI cap, unusual circumstances that could not have been foreseen by either party of the contract occur, and those circumstances significantly affect the Contractor's cost in providing the required prior items or services, then the Contractor may request adjustments to the costs to the City to reflect the changed circumstances. The circumstances must be beyond the control of the Contractor, and the requested adjustments must be fully documented. The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, increases are considered to be excessive, or decreases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City will reserve the following options:
1. The contract can be canceled by the City upon giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor with no penalty to the City or Contractor. The Contractor shall fill all City requirements submitted to the Contractor until the termination date contained in the notice.
 2. The City requires the Contractor to continue to provide the items and services at the firm fixed (non-adjusted) cost until the termination of the contract term then in effect.
 3. If the City, in its interest and in its sole opinion, determines that the Contractor in a capricious manner attempted to use this section of the contract to relieve themselves of a legitimate obligation under the contract, and no unusual circumstances had occurred, the City reserves the right to take any and all action under law or equity. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, declaring the Contractor in default and disqualifying him for receiving any business from the City for a stated period of time.
- If the City does agree to adjusted costs, these adjusted costs shall not be invoiced to the City until the Contractor receives notice in writing signed by a person authorized to bind the City in such matters.
- 5.17 ELIGIBILITY:** If applicable, the Contractor must first register with the Department of State of the State of Florida, in accordance with Florida State Statutes, prior to entering into a contract with the City.
- 5.18 PATENTS AND ROYALTIES:** The Contractor, without exception, shall indemnify and save harmless the City and its employees from liability of any nature and kind, including cost and expenses for or on account of any copyrighted, patented or un-patented invention, process, or article manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including its use by the City. If the Contractor uses any design, device, or materials covered by letters, patent or copyright, it is mutually agreed and understood without exception that the bid prices shall include all royalties or costs arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work.
- 5.19 ASSIGNMENT:** Contractor shall not transfer or assign the performance required by this ITB without the prior written consent of the City. Any award issued pursuant to this ITB, and the monies, which may become due hereunder, are not assignable except with the prior written approval of the City Commission or the City Manager or City Manager's designee, depending on original award approval.
- 5.20 LITIGATION VENUE:** The parties waive the privilege of venue and agree that all litigation between them in the state courts shall take place in Broward County, Florida and that all litigation between them in the federal courts shall take place in the Southern District in and for the State of Florida.

QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. Provide three (3) letters of recommendation from municipalities in Florida of projects done that are of similar size and scope of this project. List the names and telephone numbers here and supply the letters of recommendation as part of bid submittal.

Company Name:

Address:

Contact Name:

Telephone:

Company Name:

Address:

Contact Name:

Telephone:

Company Name:

Address:

Contact Name:

Telephone:

- 2. Number of years experience the proposer has had in providing similar services:
 Years

Have you ever failed to complete work awarded to you? If so, where and why?

3. List appropriate licenses as issued by Broward County:

Empty text box for listing licenses.

4. Briefly describe the number of employees and supervisors available for this project and the firm's ability to secure subcontractors, if necessary.

Empty text box for describing employees and subcontractors.

5. Have you personally inspected the proposed work and have you a complete plan for its performance?

YES: € NO: €

Provide plan: [Empty text box]

6. Bidders main business must be landscape services. Winning bidder must perform the majority of the work on this project. Will you subcontract any part of this work? If so, list the portions or specialties of the work that you will subcontract.

YES: € NO: €

Empty text box for subcontracting details.

7. What equipment do you own that is available for the work?

Empty text box for owned equipment.

8. What equipment will you purchase for the proposed work?

Empty text box for equipment to be purchased.

9. What equipment will you rent for the proposed work?

11. Have you included a copy of current pesticide license required in this ITB?

YES: NO:

12. Have you included a copy of your current Certificate of Insurance with the appropriate limits required in this ITB?

YES: NO:

13. Work is requested to be completed within sixty (60) calendar days after notice to proceed. Failure to meet this completion date may be deemed as non-responsive.

Provide number of calendar days to complete project:

The City reserves the right to reject any bid, if it deems that a vendor has deliberately provided incorrect information.

Is there anything contained in the ITB specifications that are NOT included in your bid?

YES: NO:

IF YES, please explain:

The proposer understands that the information contained in these proposal pages is to be relied upon by the City in awarding the proposed contract, and such information is warranted by the proposer to be true. The proposer agrees to furnish such additional information, prior to acceptance of any proposal relating to the qualifications of the proposer, as may be required by the City.

Please review the questionnaire to make sure all questions have been answered. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Failure to answer each question could result in the disqualification of your bid.

NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT:

By signing this offer, the vendor/contractor certifies that this offer is made independently and free from collusion. Vendor shall disclose below any City of Fort Lauderdale, FL officer or employee, or any relative of any such officer or employee who is an officer or director of, or has a material interest in, the vendor's business, who is in a position to influence this procurement.

Any City of Fort Lauderdale, FL officer or employee who has any input into the writing of specifications or requirements, solicitation of offers, decision to award, evaluation of offers, or any other activity pertinent to this procurement is presumed, for purposes hereof, to be in a position to influence this procurement.

For purposes hereof, a person has a material interest if they directly or indirectly own more than 5 percent of the total assets or capital stock of any business entity, or if they otherwise stand to personally gain if the contract is awarded to this vendor.

In accordance with City of Fort Lauderdale, FL Policy and Standards Manual, 6.10.8.3,

3.3. City employees may not contract with the City through any corporation or business entity in which they or their immediate family members hold a controlling financial interest (e.g. ownership of five (5) percent or more).

3.4. Immediate family members (spouse, parents and children) are also prohibited from contracting with the City subject to the same general rules.

Failure of a vendor to disclose any relationship described herein shall be reason for debarment in accordance with the provisions of the City Procurement Code.

NAME

RELATIONSHIPS

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In the event the vendor does not indicate any names, the City shall interpret this to mean that the vendor has indicated that no such relationships exist.

BID/PROPOSAL SIGNATURE PAGE

How to submit bids/proposals: It is preferred that bids/proposals be submitted electronically at www.bidsync.com, unless otherwise stated in the bid packet. If mailing a hard copy, it will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to ensure that the bid reaches the City of Fort Lauderdale, City Hall, Procurement Services Division, Suite 619, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, prior to the bid opening date and time listed. Bids/proposals submitted by fax or email will NOT be accepted.

The below signed hereby agrees to furnish the following article(s) or services at the price(s) and terms stated subject to all instructions, conditions, specifications addenda, legal advertisement, and conditions contained in the bid. I have read all attachments including the specifications and fully understand what is required. By submitting this signed proposal I will accept a contract if approved by the CITY and such acceptance covers all terms, conditions, and specifications of this bid/proposal.

Please Note: If responding to this solicitation through BidSync, the electronic version of the bid response will prevail, unless a paper version is clearly marked **by the bidder** in some manner to indicate that it will supplant the electronic version. All fields below **must** be completed. If the field does not apply to you, please note N/A in that field.

Submitted by:
(Authorized signature) (date)

Name (printed) Title:

Company: (Legal Registration)

CONTRACTOR, IF FOREIGN CORPORATION, MAY BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE §607.1501 (visit <http://www.dos.state.fl.us/>).

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Telephone No. FAX No. Email:

Delivery: Calendar days after receipt of Purchase Order (section 1.02 of General Conditions):

Payment Terms (section 1.04): Total Bid Discount (section 1.05):

Does your firm qualify for MBE or WBE status (section 1.09): MBE WBE

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - Proposer acknowledges that the following addenda have been received and are included in the proposal:

<u>Addendum No.</u>	<u>Date Issued</u>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

P-CARDS: Will your firm accept the City's Credit Card as payment for goods/services?

YES NO

VARIANCES: State any variations to specifications, terms and conditions in the space provided below or

reference in the space provided below all variances contained on other pages of bid, attachments or bid pages. No variations or exceptions by the Proposer will be deemed to be part of the bid submitted unless such variation or exception is listed and contained within the bid documents and referenced in the space provided below. If no statement is contained in the below space, it is hereby implied that your bid/proposal complies with the full scope of this solicitation. HAVE YOU STATED ANY VARIANCES OR EXCEPTIONS BELOW? BIDDER MUST CLICK THE EXCEPTION LINK IF ANY VARIATION OR EXCEPTION IS TAKEN TO THE SPECIFICATIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS. If this section does not apply to your bid, simply mark N/A in the section below.

Variances:

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Question and Answers for Bid #522-11020 - Median Landscaping Project

OVERALL BID QUESTIONS

There are no questions associated with this bid. If you would like to submit a question, please click on the "Create New Question" button below.