

Request for Bids Landscape, Mowing and Park Maintenance in the Mississippi, St. Vincent, River des Peres Greenways and Other as-needed

## Questions and Answers Updated 10/14/2020

Q1. I am a little confused about the Gravois Greenway portion of the bid. The title states Mysun to RDP. But the map and pricing page says phase 2. Does the bid need to include Mysun all the way to RDP, or only starting at Ave I (Weber Rd) and ending at RDP?

A1. Gravois Greenway consists of multiple phases; phase 1, phase 2, phase 3 and Hoffmeister properties.

Phase 2, running from Avenue I to Germania, is found in the "OTHER" category both in description and pricing page- consists of standard landscape/greenway maintenance and one Stormwater BMP that includes inspections and reporting of the facility. (Figures 27/28). The remaining portions of Gravois Greenway; phase 1, phase 3 and the Hoffmeister properies are found in the "CONSERVATION" category, both in description and pricing page. This does include the trailhead at Mysun, the seeded landscape beds surrounding the trailhead, Hoffmeister properties and the wetland area/boardwalk. (Figures 40, 41 & 42).

- Q2. We are reviewing and pricing the contract for next year. Multiple sites have watering included in the base price for the zone/area. For us, or any other contractor, to include watering in a base price is very difficult. In my experience it leads to a higher than necessary cost to the customer as we have to account for the worst case scenario. Would you be open to removing watering from a base price and instead including a line item for hourly rates for this service?
- A2. We will revise the bid sheets to reflect a unit price for a single watering event for each of the locations which have specified watering. The base price for those areas will not include watering. This will be issued in Addendum 2 and the Request for Bid will be updated to reflect that change and emailed to all plan holders on our website.

- Q3. What is the previous contracted dollar amount for the work on the GRG landscape project?
- A3. \$723,000. Of note, the scope of work for the current bid is not the same scope of work for the contract in 2020.
- Q4. Do grass in livings walls need to be cut back annually.
- A4. The plant material has not been and will not be cut back annually, this task has potential need during the tenure of this contract, but not on an annual basis.
- Q5. Please clarify quantity and areas for spot mowing.
- A5. Spot mowing refers to a control method for annual invasive weeds and has use in any of the seeded landscapes. The seeded landscapes run parallel to the trail from the trailhead at Marine Avenue through the red pedestrian bridge crossing the creek toward Aquaport. The areas of responsibility are kept within roughly 60' of the paved edge of the greenway. Turf edges along the greenway are mowed on a regular basis by the managing partners.
- Q6. Is regular trash removal required?
- A6. No, the partner will empty trashcans, litter is only expected to be picked up from the working sites during a scheduled stewardship visit.
- Q7. Please clarify what beds need to be maintained.
- A7. As there are no defined beds on this segment, the areas to be maintained are seeded landscapes. Our expectation is stewardship visits to control invasive plant material, both annual and perennial, through various best practices. There are no chemical restrictions in this area as long as the specific chemical labels are followed. The 4 Living/Green walls will be kept free of annual and perennial weeds and inspected twice each year. Mulch tree rings are to be kept free of growth. The partners on this Greenway are responsible for annual cut down of the seeded landscapes.