



City of Cambridge

Purchasing Department

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Purchasing Agent

To: All bidders
From: City of Cambridge
Date: February 2, 2012
Re: File No. 5697 City of Cambridge Tree Pruning, Addendum No. 1

Please add the following additional language to the bid package:

Specifications: Section 20. Permitting/Police Details/Traffic Signs
Section F. "No Parking" signs: Please add the following sentence "**The cost of such signs is the responsibility of the Contractor and should be considered when making a bid.**"

The sign in sheet from the pre-bid meeting is attached.
The "Number of Trees per Caliper Range" (copy attached) was distributed to all vendors attending the pre-bid meeting.

The following question was asked during the pre-bid meeting:

Question

How is the contract awarded?

Answer

One contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder offering the lowest total cost for year one (not including the schedule of values). The City will renew year two and three depending on the performance of the contractor and the price for the subsequent years.

The following questions were submitted and answered:

Question

My question is in regards to the hiring requirements that require no less than 25% of total workers hours be performed by Bona Fide Cambridge residents. Will there be a requirement to provide proof of residence prior to acceptance of bid or at time of award, or would it be required to be submitted with certified payroll?

Answer

This is not a requirement. It is a goal, should new employees be hired during the life of the contract.



Question

Minority Business Enterprise Requirement- Can this be provided later date if low bidder is unable to provide in time for bid?

Answer

Yes, See form on page 51.

Question

Bid bond, How much? Or is it based on percentage if so 5% or 10%?

Answer

All bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a certified , cashier's or treasure's check (no cash) issued by a responsible band or trust company made payable to the City of Cambridge or a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5 %) of the value of the bid.

The successful general bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material (payment) bond each in the amount of one hundred (100%) of the contract sum.

Question

Please provide a list of previous contracts that bid and unit prices.

Answer

See attached price sheet from last contract awarded.

Question

If necessary, parking of equipment? Can parking of Equipment be provided at one of your locations, or Parks?

Answer

No

Question

Quality Requirement # 2 -Bidder has completed a single year contract in tree pruning for a Massachusetts public agency with a value of \$100,000.00. We have completed contract for tree pruning for NYC parks. Will NYC be acceptable?

Answer

No, the Quality Requirement specifies Massachusetts public agency.

Question

Quality Requirement #4- Bidder has on staff at least one (1) licensed pesticide applicator with a category 36 License and certified in micro injection. We currently have a 3A and 6A for New York State. Is this acceptable for bidding purpose until we get a reciprocal from State of Mass.

Answer

No

Answer

All other details remain the same. All questions are closed.



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SIGN IN

Steve Dooce

Valleycrest

DAVID PALMER

VALLEY CREST

George Tangel

Dovs Tree

Vin Falcone

C. W. D

Stem Kidd

North-Eastern Tree

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Number of Trees Per Caliper Range

Caliper Range	Street Trees	Park, Cemetery, Other Trees
1-6"	5955	2391
7-12"	3649	1664
13-18"	2022	661
19-24"	937	349
25-30"	382	260
31-36"	210	61
36"+	120	113

D. The rule for award is: The Contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder offering the lowest price for year one. The City will renew year 2 & 3 depending on the performance of the contractor and the price for the subsequent years.

Year One: \$ 202,375.00 DOLLARS

Year Two: \$ 214,444.25 DOLLARS

Year Three: \$ 227,355.34 DOLLARS

E. The subdivision of the proposed contract price is as follows: (All quantities and allowances are approximate)

	Est. Quant.	Description	Unit Price	Total
Item 1	1,750 trees	Cost to prune street trees in accordance with plans and specifications, including all labor, equipment, transportation and all other related and incidental costs	\$98.50	\$172,375.00
Item 2	-----	Allowance for additional services as needed in accordance with the unit prices listed below	-----	\$30,000

Total: \$ 202,375.00

TOTAL IN WORDS: Two hundred and two thousand, three hundred and seventy-five dollars and no cents.

UNIT PRICES FOR ITEM 2, ADDITIONAL SERVICES

	Item	Price	
1	Two-person pruning crew with bucket and chipper	1320.00	per day
2	Three-person pruning crew with bucket and chipper	1775.00	per day
3	Two-person tree removal crew with vehicles and equipment	1900.00	per day
4	Three-person tree removal crew with vehicles and equipment	2550.00	per day
5	Two-person stump grinding crew with vehicles and equipment	1850.00	per day
6	Tree assessment by certified arborist	95.00	per hour
7	Fertilizer injection	23.00	per capsule
8	Fungicide/insecticide injection by licensed pesticide applicator	23.00	per capsule
9	Tree watering (2 1/2" cal. planted within last three years)	800.00	per day
10	Log loader and operator	125.00	per hour
11	Front end loader and operator	160.00	per hour
12	Bobcat and operator	95.00	per hour
13	Knuckle boom crane and operator. Knuckle boom should have the capacity to reach 40' feet and handle up to 9 tons.	150.00	per hour

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14	Tree climber (rope and saddle) with tools and equipment	704.00	per day
15	Furnish and plant 2 - 2½" caliper deciduous tree with a one-year guarantee	600.00	per tree
16	Labor rate	75.00	per hour
17	Two-person emergency response crew with vehicles and equipment	220.00	per hour
18	Three-person emergency response crew with vehicles and equipment	330.00	per hour

Note: Contractor must use the invoice format in Appendix A or a reasonable facsimile for submitting monthly pay requests to the City. A copy of the template in Microsoft Excel format is available from the Department of Public Works.

The undersigned agrees if selected as General Contractor, within ten (10) working days after presentation thereof by the City, the Contractor will:

1. Execute a contract in accordance with the terms of this general bid;
2. Furnish a performance bond and a labor and materials or payment bond
 - a. of a surety company qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth and satisfactory to the City;
 - b. in the sum of one hundred percent of the contract price;
 - c. Premiums for each are to be paid by the General Contractor.
3. Provide an Insurance certificate specifying the City of Cambridge as Additional Insured, complying with the Insurance requirements set forth herein in the General Terms and Conditions of the contract, Article 8.

G. Bidder understands that the Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any minor informalities in the bidding prices.

H. Amounts are to be shown in both words and figures. In case of discrepancy, the amount shown in words will govern.

I. The bidder hereby certifies it shall comply with the minority workforce ratios and specific action contained in the Cambridge Employment Plan, the Cambridge Responsible Employer Plan, the Living Wage Ordinance, the Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Program and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The contractor receiving the award of the contract shall be required to obtain from each of its subcontractors and submit to the contracting or administering agency prior to the performance of any work under said contract a certification by said subcontractor, regardless of tier, that it will comply with same.

J. The bidder agrees that this bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 90 days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids.

K. The bid security attached in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars
(\$15,000.00) is to become the property of the Owner in the event the contract and bond are not executed within the time above set forth, as liquidated damages for the delay and additional expense to the Owner caused thereby.

The undersigned certifies that it possesses the skill, ability and integrity necessary for the faithful

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