

Advertisement for Services

Project Name: Downtown Parks Landscaping 2025

Project Number: 298-DowntownParks-25

Pursuant to the City of Asheville's Procurement, Purchasing and Contracting Policy, Bids will be received by the City of Asheville for the following:

Description of Bid:

The City of Asheville is requesting proposals from qualified, licensed landscape contractors with deep horticultural knowledge to successfully maintain landscape beds in Pack Square Park and Rankin Ave Garage. Parks to be included in the bid are as follows in the Exhibit A section below.

- Correct horticultural practices for landscape bed maintenance.
- Shrub bed/Hardscape weed removal
- Landscape bed fertilization and pre-emergent weed control
- Mulching of all beds
- Leaf removal
- Proper shrub pruning and perennial care

Bid Schedule:

Issuance of Bid	Tuesday, January 28, 2025
Pre-Bid Meeting (not mandatory) Virtual https://meet.google.com/rvo-jsyf-jpw	Tuesday, February 4th, 2025 12:00PM
Deadline to Submit Questions	Wednesday, February 5th, 2025, 4:00PM
Bids Due	Friday, February 14th, 2025, 4:00PM
Projected Project Start	April 1, 2025

Pre-Bid Meeting attendance is highly encouraged but not mandatory.

Bid Documents:

Invitation to Bid Documents are posted on the City procurement website at www.ashevillenc.gov/bids. This is *the official source* of this solicitation. All updates to this solicitation shall come in the form of published addenda and shall be published to the same location. **The City will not be responsible for full or partial sets of Bid Documents including any addendum obtained from any other source.**

Bids should be delivered in PDF form through email to Eric Daggett
edaggett@ashevillenc.gov

The City of Asheville reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive informalities.

Information:

All questions concerning this Invitation to Bid should be submitted via email to:

Eric Daggett, Project Manager edaggett@ashevillenc.gov

Please send a confirmation/test email to edaggett@ashevillenc.gov prior to submitting your questions. Please put in the subject line of your email. You will receive a confirmation email or receipt. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please reach out to the City of Asheville at 828-772-5515 before the submission deadline. This number is for email test failures only.

Asheville Business Inclusion Policy: The City of Asheville has adopted the Asheville Business Inclusion Policy to encourage women and minority businesses' participation in the public bidding process. The purpose of this outreach effort is to increase the likelihood of availability and utilization of MWBEs in the award of contracts. Bidders are hereby notified that this bid is subject to that Policy's provisions. Questions regarding the Asheville Business Inclusion Policy may be directed to City of Asheville, Post Office Box 7148, Asheville, NC 28802-7148 or by phone at (828) 259-8050 or by email abi@ashevillenc.gov.

Bidders are invited to show proof of MWBE status, to include NC Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses or other MWBE certifications. If not already certified with the ABI Office at the City of Asheville, bidders are further invited to become certified with the City of Asheville as an MWBE vendor. Please use this link: [ABI Certifications](#)

It is the Policy of the City to (1) provide minorities and women an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of its contracting and procurement programs and (2) to prohibit any and all discrimination against persons or businesses in pursuit of these opportunities.

Drug Free Workplace: The City of Asheville is a drug-free workplace employer. By submitting this bid, the prospective contractor certifies that if awarded the contract, they and their subcontractors shall comply with the following:

The City requires contractors/vendors entering into a contract with the City to provide a drug-free workplace in the performance of said contract. The contractor, upon execution of the contract, certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace during the performance of the work on this contract. The contractor agrees to do the following:

Notify employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specify the actions that will be taken for violations of such prohibitions. Responsive actions should be appropriate and sufficient to address and remediate any violations of this requirement.

Miscellaneous Requirements of the Bids:

- Prospective Contractors are notified of a City policy that prohibits contracting with persons or firms who are delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the City of Asheville.
- All bids must be submitted on the FORM provided.

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