

Advertisement for Services

Project Name: FY25 Median Mowing Contract

Project Number: 298-Mowing-FY25

Pursuant to the City of Asheville's Procurement, Purchasing and Contracting Policy, Bids will be received by the City of Asheville for the following: FY 25 Median Mowing Contract

Description of Bid:

Mowing of grass islands/plots spread throughout the City. Areas are listed in the bid documents. Some of the areas have beds to be maintained. Maintenance of beds will include weed/invasive plant control and trimming of overgrown plants and shrubs. Mowing shall occur every two weeks from March 1st to October 31st. This service shall run from March 1st to October 31st. There is approximately 215,000 feet of area to be mowed on this contract. The contract is one fiscal year, but be can be renewed for two additional funding cycles if the City and contractor agree.

Bid Schedule:

Issuance of Bid	Friday, April 19, 2024
Pre-Bid Meeting (N/A)	N/A
Deadline to Submit Questions	Monday, April 29 2024 4:00 PM
Bids Due	Thursday, May 9 2024, 11:00AM
Projected Project Start	Wednesday, July 10, 2024

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 to:

City of Asheville Public Works Department 161 S. Charlotte Street Room A120 Asheville, NC 28801

Attn: Chuck Watson

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:

Chuck Watson, Project Manager cwatson@ashevillenc.gov

Please send a confirmation/test email to name@ashevillenc.gov prior to submitting your questions. Please put Project Name 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 828-251-4033 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.