

County of Georgetown, South Carolina

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INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)

BID NUMBER: 23-025 ISSUE DATE: Monday, October 2, 2023

OPENING DATE: Wednesday, October 18, 2023 OPENING TIME: 3:30 PM (ET)

Bid Opening Location: Hybrid-By Virtual Meeting Link & Georgetown County Courthouse, Suite

#239, (Purchasing Conference Room)

Pre-Bid Site Inspection: [None]

PROCUREMENT FOR: <u>Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence</u> "As Needed"

All bids <u>must be</u> submitted electronically through the Purchasing Department's Vendor Registry webpage. Please click on the following link http://www.georgetowncountysc.org/172/Purchasing for instructions on how to submit bids electronically through this system. As always, emailed/faxed bids will not be accepted. Your bid must be submitted electronically through Georgetown County's Purchasing Vendor Registry page to ensure it remains sealed until the scheduled bid opening date and time.

Any scheduled bid openings will still be opened at the designated date and time as listed in the bid document or related addendum. However, at the time of this bid issuance, these bid openings may be conducted virtually, in-person, or by a hybrid method (both virtually and in person). See the timeline on page 3 for location and method specified. As always, bid openings will be accompanied by at least one witness and bid tabulation results will be posted online for the public's viewing after the bid opening.

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Intent to Respond



REF: <u>Bid #23-025, Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed"</u>

If your company intends to respond to this solicitation, please complete and promptly return this form to assure that you can be included on the mailing list to receive all addenda regarding this project. We also encourage you to visit our website at <u>Registration (vendorregistry.com)</u> and register as a new vendor. If you are an existing vendor, please make sure your profile is up-to-date with a valid contact name and email address on file.

It is not necessary to return any other portion of the bid documents if you are not bidding.

Failure to return the Intent to Respond shall not be sufficient cause to rule a submittal as non-responsive; nor does the return of the form obligate an interested party to submit a response. Georgetown County's efforts to directly provide interested parties with addenda or additional information are provided as a courtesy only, and do not alleviate the respondent from their obligation to verify they have received and considered all addenda. All addenda are published and available on the county website at Georgetown County, SC | Official Website (gtcounty.org) select "Bid Opportunities" under Quick Links, then click on the "View Current Bid Solicitations" link.

Our firm does intend on responding to this solicitation.			
Our firm <u>does not</u> intend on responding to this solicitation.			
Company Name:			
Address:			
Contact Person:			
Telephone:			
FAX:			
E-Mail:			
How did you hear about this opportunity?			
Reason if not responding:			

Please return this completed form to Jennifer Hunt, Senior Buyer

- by e-mail to purch@gtcounty.org
- or by FAX to (843)545-3500.

[End of Intent to Respond]

Time Line: Invitation for Bid #23-025

Item	Date	Time	Location*
Advertised Date of Issue:	Friday, September 29, 2023	n/a	n/a
Pre-Bid Conference & Site Inspection:	n/a	n/a	n/a
Deadline for Questions:	Wednesday, October 11, 2023	3:30PM ET	n/a
Bids Must be Received on/or Before:	Wednesday, October 18, 2023	3:30PM ET	Electronic
*Public Bid Opening & Tabulation:	Wednesday, October 18, 2023	3:30PM ET	Hybrid

^{*}At the time of this posting, bid openings may be performed virtually, in-person, or by a hybrid method, see above location for method specified. A virtual meeting link will be posted under the bid number before the bid opening time so that members of the public may attend the meeting virtually. Vendors may also now attend the meeting in person at the Georgetown County Historic Courthouse, Purchasing Conference Room, 129 Screven St., Suite 239, 29440.

IFB #23-025 Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed"

This solicitation is for demolition, installed repair or replacement chain link fence in Georgetown County, SC on an "as needed" (a/k/a IDIQ – Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity) basis. It will be made available for all county departments. There are no current plans or material lists available.

Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence

GENERAL

The County maintains various operating sites, parks, athletic fields, airports, facilities, recycle centers, etc. which utilize perimeter fence for safety and security. The primary fence type is chain link mesh. Damage to existing fencing can be caused by vehicle collision, storm damage, vandalism, etc. Other causes may be due to an upgrade, additional area to be protected, or changes in the use of the property. As such, there will be multiple sites within the county. The Parks and Recreation Department may also use any resulting agreement for repair and replacement of baseball backstops.

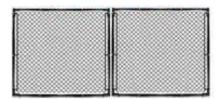
Fence installation, and/or replacement for repairs will occur "as needed". Typically, any minor damage as can be repaired is handled by County staff. Fencing that is damaged beyond reasonable repair ie: cannot be satisfactorily reset using existing materials, may be reset with new. The new fence shall be of like kind or similar to the existing fence. There is no guaranteed contract quantity unless otherwise agreed upon by both parties in a bilateral task order. No separate payment will be made for Mobilization as it will be considered incidental to the other line items included with this contract.

COMPARISON QUANTITY:

For the purposes of cost comparison, each provider is asked to provide four (4) segments of fence replacement, to include demolition and disposal of existing damaged fence, all materials and labor for replacement, and any incidental items such as hardware, turn buckles, tie wire, etc. as necessary for a complete package.

1) 6-ft H x 50-ft Length Galvanized Installed Commercial System Complete Package. Includes: All Line Posts (2" OD x 8 ft) with hardware every 10 feet, All Top Rail (1-5/8"), All Mesh (2"

- x 9 gauge) Corner, End, Gate Posts and gates not included. Assumes tie-in to existing fence line posts.
- 2) 8-ft Galvanized x 50-ft Length Installed Commercial System Complete Package. The price per ft. Includes: All Line Posts (2 3/8" OD x 10-1/2ft) with hardware every 10 feet, All Top Rail (1-5/8"), All Mesh (2" x 9 gauge). Corner, End, Gate Posts and gates not included. Assumes tie-in to existing fence line posts.
- 3) 10-ft x 50-ft Length Galvanized Installed Commercial System Complete Package. The price per ft. Includes: All Line Posts (2 3/8" OD x 12ft) with hardware every 10 feet, All Top Rail (1-5/8"), All Mesh (2" x 9 gauge). Corner, End, Gate Posts and gates not included. Assumes tie-in to existing fence line posts.
- 4) 8-ft High x 10-ft Wide Galvanized Double Commercial 1-5/8" Frame Gate, All Mesh (2" x 9 gauge), with Hinges and Latch. Corner, End, and Gate Posts not included. Assumes tie-in to existing fence gate posts.



Fence Segment Specifications

6ft Height X 50ft Galvanized	All mesh 2" x 9 gauge 2" OD x 8ft	Hardware, 10ft Top rail 1 5/8"
8ft Height X	All mesh 2" x 9 gauge	Hardware, 10ft
50ft Galvanized	2 3/8" x 10 ½ ft	Top rail 1 5/8"
10ft Height X	All mesh 2" x 9 gauge	Hardware, 10ft
50ft Galvanized	2 3/8" x 12ft	Top rail 1- 5/8"
8ft Height X	All mesh 2" x 9 gauge	Assume tie-end
10ft Galvanized Double Commercial	1-5/8" frame gate	

SPECIFICATIONS

It is the intent that all materials and workmanship used in repair and/or replacement shall be in accordance with the current County Standard Specifications contained herein as Section 32 31 13, Chain Link Fences and Gates. If other standards are to be utilized (for a match to existing as an example) those will be part of the negotiated task order between the parties.

NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS

The County shall notify the Contractor of the requested work in writing by e-mail or phone using existing Task Order Procedures.

The Contractor shall notify the County 48 hours in advance of beginning work on this project. If required, the Contractor shall give the Department contact sufficient notice of all operations for any demolition, inspection or acceptance testing that may be required.

TASK ORDER PROCEDURES

- A. The Contractor shall perform work assigned under this Contract as directed in task orders issued by the COUNTY Contracting Officer in accordance with the terms and conditions of the task order or as specified elsewhere in the Contract. Task orders will be executed in writing through a bilateral agreement between the Contractor and COUNTY. Upon execution of task orders, the Contractor shall provide the personnel, facilities, equipment, and other materials and services necessary to perform the work set forth in the task order.
- B. Task orders shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract. In the event of conflict between a task order and this Contract, the Contract shall control.
- C. Task Orders shall be subject to appropriation and availability of funds as described in clause no. 7, "Non-Appropriation" in the General Terms and Conditions included in the Contract. In no event, shall the Contractor be authorized to incur costs under an individual task order in excess of the total amount of funds obligated against that task order. The Contractor shall not exceed the ceiling price approved for each individual task order unless authorized by the COUNTY Contracting Officer in writing by an approved Change Order.
- D. Task orders shall be negotiated. Task orders may be issued from the effective date of this Contract through completion or termination of the Contract. Any task order issued during the effective period of this Contract and not completed within that time shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the task order. The task order and the Contract shall govern the Contractor's and COUNTY's rights and obligations with respect to that task order to the same extent as if the task order were completed during the Contract's effective period.
- E. There is no limit on the number of task orders that may be issued against this Contract, if and when needed.

F. In the event that fewer direct labor hours or estimated total costs are used by the Contractor accomplishing the prescribed work under individual task orders than were obligated by the executed task orders, the Contractor shall generate a letter addressed to the Project Manager requesting the closure of the task order. The Contracting Officer and Accounts Payable shall be copied. Unused funds shall be restored to the unassigned funds for the Contract. The parties agree that any downward price/cost adjustment shall reflect actual work performed.

FENCE PAY ITEMS

Chain Link Fence Replacement

Replacement is defined as using new components to place the damaged fence in its original condition. No separate payment will be made for #6 wire, stretcher bar bands, post caps, etc. Horizontal posts will be paid at the same rate as vertical posts without regard to length. The quantities will be those actually needed.

Pay Items

All components including but not limited to #6 wire, #9 wire, stretcher bar band, post caps, etc. are to be included in other pay items since no separate payment will be made for these items, they are to be considered included in the repair or replacement of chain link fence.

DRIVEWAYS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY

- 1) The Contractor shall maintain access to driveways for all residents and property owners during the course of all work.
- 2) The Contractor shall not perform work for private citizens or agencies in conjunction with this contract.

UTILITY CONFLICTS

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to contact all affected utility owners and determine the precise locations of all utilities prior to beginning construction. Utility owners shall be contacted a minimum of 48 hours prior to the commencement of operations. Special care shall be used in working around or near existing utilities, protecting them when necessary to provide uninterrupted service. In the event that any utility service is interrupted, the Contractor shall notify the utility owner immediately and shall cooperate with the owner, or his representative, in the restoration of service in the shortest time possible. Existing fire hydrants shall be kept accessible to fire departments at all times.

The Contractor shall adhere to all applicable regulations and follow accepted safety procedures when working in the vicinity of utilities in order to insure the safety of construction personnel and the public.

BASIS OF AWARD:

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Award shall be based on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. In determining responsibility in addition to price the County will consider references and past experience.

INSPECTION

All work shall be subject to inspection by the County at any time. Routinely, the County will make periodic inspections of the completed work. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to keep the County informed of his proposed work plans and to submit written reports of work accomplished on a frequency to be determined by the County if required.

PROGRESS

The Contractor shall pursue the work diligently with workmen in sufficient numbers, abilities, and supervision, and with equipment, materials, and methods of construction as may be required to complete the work described in any future task order by the completion date and in accordance the Standard Specifications.

The Contractor's operations are restricted to daylight hours. Contractors are responsible for the safety and wellbeing of their employees, County staff and the public.

The Contractor will be responsible for disposal of any and all removed, unused and surplus materials and any fees and transportation costs associated with the disposal.

WARRANTIES

Upon final acceptance by the County the services provided by the contractor under this contract shall be warranted by the contractor to perform in compliance with the specifications and terms and conditions of this contract for a period of one year. If notified by the County of defects requiring correction under the contractor's warranty, the contractor shall diligently provide the required corrections. Manufacturer warranties for third party products supplied by the contractor shall be provided to the County.

Technical Specifications CHAIN LINK FENCES AND GATES

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. Section Includes:
 - 1. Fence framework, fabric, and accessories.
 - 2. Excavation for post bases.
 - 3. Concrete foundation for posts and center drop for gates.
 - 4. Manual gates and related hardware.
 - 5. Barbed wire, 3 strand on fence top.

1.2 REFERENCES

- A. ASTM International:
 - ASTM A121 Standard Specification for Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Steel Barbed Wire.
 - 2. ASTM A1 23/A1 23M Standard Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip

- Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products.
- 3. ASTM A1 53/A1 53M Standard Specification for Zinc Coating (Hot-Dip) on Iron and Steel Hardware.
- 4. ASTM A392 Standard Specification for Zinc-Coated Steel Chain-Link Fence Fabric.
- ASTM A491 Standard Specification for Aluminum-Coated Steel Chain-Link Fence Fabric.
- 6. ASTM A585 Standard Specification for Aluminum-Coated Steel Barbed Wire.
- 7. ASTM A792/A792M Standard Specification for Steel Sheet, 55% Aluminum-Zinc Alloy-Coated by the Hot-Dip Process.
- 8. ASTM A1 011/A1 011 M Standard Specification for Steel, Sheet and Strip, Hot-Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High-Strength Low-Alloy with Improved Formability.
- 9. ASTM B429 Standard Specification for Aluminum-Alloy Extruded Structural Pipe and Tube.
- 10. ASTM F567 Standard Practice for Installation of Chain-Link Fence.
- 11. ASTM F668 Standard Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC)-Coated Steel Chain Link Fence Fabric.
- 12. ASTM F900 Standard Specification for Industrial and Commercial Swing Gates.
- 13. ASTM F934 Standard Specification for Standard Colors for Polymer-Coated Chain Link Fence Materials.
- 14. ASTM F1043 Standard Specification for Strength and Protective Coatings on Metal Industrial Chain Link Fence Framework.
- 15. ASTM F1083 Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Hot-Dipped Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Welded, for Fence Structures.
- 16. ASTM F1183 Aluminum Alloy Chain Link Fence Fabric.
- 17. ASTM F1 184 Standard Specification for Industrial and Commercial Horizontal Slide Gates.
- B. Chain Link Fence Manufacturers Institute:
 - CLFMI Product Manual.
- C. SCDOT Standard Specifications:
 - 1. Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, 2020, published by the South Carolina Department of Transportation.

1.3 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

- A. Fence Height: As indicated on Drawings.
- B. Line Post Spacing: As indicated on Drawings, 12 feet maximum.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submittal Procedures: Requirements for submittals.
- B. Shop Drawings: Indicate plan layout, spacing of components, post

- foundation dimensions, hardware anchorage, gates, and schedule of components.
- C. Product Data: Submit data on fabric, posts, accessories, fittings and hardware.
- D. Manufacturer's Installation Instructions: Submit installation requirements including post foundation anchor bolt templates if required.

1.5 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS

- A. Execution and Closeout Requirements: Closeout procedures.
- B. Project Record Documents: Accurately record actual locations of property perimeter posts relative to property lines and easements.
- C. Operation and Maintenance Data: Procedures for submittals.

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Supply material in accordance with CLFMI Product Manual.
- B. Comply with Section 806 of SCDOT Standard Specifications except as modified herein. Maintain one copy of document on site.
- C. Perform installation in accordance with ASTM F567.

1.7 QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Manufacturer: Company specializing in manufacturing products specified in this Section with minimum 5 years experience.
- B. Installer: Company specializing in performing work of this section with minimum 5 years experience.

1.8 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver fence fabric and accessories in packed cartons or firmly tied rolls.
- B. Identify each package with manufacturer's name.
- C. Store fence fabric and accessories in secure and dry place.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

A. Steel Pipe Framing: ASTM F1083 Schedule 40 galvanized steel pipe, welded construction; coating conforming to ASTM F1043 Type A on pipe exterior and interior.

- B. Hot Rolled Steel Framing: ASTM A101 1 hot rolled steel strip, cold formed to pipe configuration, longitudinally welded construction, minimum Grade 50; coating conforming to ASTM F1043 Type B on pipe exterior and interior.
- C. Steel Fence Fabric: ASTM A392 zinc coated wire fabric or ASTM A491 aluminum coated wire fabric. [ASTM F668 PVC coated.]
- D. Aluminum Alloy Pipe Framing: ASTM B429.
- E. Aluminum Alloy Fence Fabric: ASTM F1183
- F. Barbed Wire: ASTM A1 21 galvanized steel or ASTM A585 aluminum coated steel; 12 gage thick wire, 2 strands, and 4 points at 3 inch on center.
- G. Concrete: Class A concrete in accordance with Section 701 of SCDOT Standard Specifications with 3000 psi compressive strength at 28 days.

2.2 COMPONENTS

- A. Nominal fence height less than 6 feet:
 - 1. Line Posts: 1.9 inch diameter.
 - 2. Corner and Terminal Posts: 2.88 inch.
 - 3. Gate Posts: 3.5 inch diameter.
 - 4. Top and Brace Rail: 1.66 inch diameter, plain end, sleeve coupled.
 - 5. Gate Frame: 1.66 inch diameter for welded fabrication.
- B. Nominal Fence height 6 feet or more:
 - 1. Line Posts: 2.38 inch diameter.
 - Corner and Terminal Posts: 3.5 inch.
 - 3. Gate Posts: 4.5 inch diameter.
 - 4. Top and Brace Rail: 1.66 inch diameter, plain end, sleeve coupled.
 - 5. Gate Frame: 1.66 inch diameter for welded fabrication.
- C. Fabric: 2 inch diamond mesh interwoven wire, 11 gage thick steel, 9 gage thick aluminum, top selvage knuckle end closed, bottom selvage knuckle end closed.
- D. Tension Wire: 7 gage thick steel, single strand.
- E. Tension Band: 3/16 inch thick by 3/4 inch wide steel.
- F. Tie Wire: Aluminum steel wire, 9-gage or 6-gage as indicated.

2.3 ACCESSORIES

- A. Caps: Cast steel galvanized, galvanized pressed steel, malleable iron galvanized, or aluminum alloy; sized to post diameter, set screw retainer.
- B. Fittings: Sleeves, bands, clips, rail ends, tension bars, fasteners and fittings; galvanized steel.
- C. Extension Arms: Cast steel galvanized or galvanized pressed steel to

- accommodate3 strands of barbed wire, single arm, for placing vertical or sloped to 45 degrees as indicated on Drawings.
- D. Gate Hardware: Fork latch with gravity drop, center gate stop and drop rod; two 180 degree gate hinges for each leaf and hardware for padlock keyed to match hardware as directed by Architect/Engineer.

2.4 GATES

A.General:

- 1. Gate Types, Opening Widths and Directions of Operation: As indicated on Drawings.
- 2. Design gates for operation by one person.
- 3. Deliver gates factory assembled.
- 4. Finish is to be galvanized, aluminum coated, or PVC coated to match fence.

B.Swing Gates:

- 1. Fabricate gates to permit 180 degree swing.
- 2. Gates Construction: ASTM F900 with welded corners. Use of corner fittings is not permitted.

2.5 FINISHES

- A. Galvanized Components and Fabric: Galvanized to ASTM A1 23/A1 23M for components;
 - ASTM A1 53/A1 53M for hardware; ASTM A392 for fabric; 2.0 oz/sq. ft. coating.
- B. Aluminum Coated Components and Fabric: Aluminum coating to ASTM A792/A792M for components and ASTM A491 for fabric; 0.40 oz/sq. ft.
- C. Vinyl Coated Components and Fabric: Vinyl coating, 10 mil thick, over metallic coated wire, medium green, dark green or black color in accordance with ASTM F934 as indicated on Drawings.
- D. Hardware: Galvanized to ASTM A1 53/A1 53M, 2.0 oz/sq. ft. coating.
- E. Accessories: Same finish as framing.

2.6 CONCRETE

- A. Concrete for foundations: Class A Concrete conforming to Section 701 of the SCDOT Standard Specifications.
 - 1. Compressive strength of 3,000 psi at 28 days.
 - 2. Air entrained.
 - Water cement ratio of 0.488 with rounded aggregate and 0.532 with angular aggregate.
 - 4. Maximum slump of 3.5 inch for non-vibrated concrete and 4 inch for vibrated concrete.

5. Minimum cement content of 564 lbs per cubic yard for non-vibrated and 602 lbs per cubic yard for vibrated concrete.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Install framework, fabric, accessories, and gates in accordance with ASTM F567.
- B. Set intermediate, terminal, gate, and corner posts plumb, in concrete footings with top of footing 2 inches above finish grade. Slope top of concrete for water runoff.
- C. Footing Depth from Finished Grade:
 - 1. Line Posts for Nominal Fence Height Less Than 6 Feet: 2.25 feet.
 - 2. Line Posts for Nominal Fence Height 6 Feet or More: 2.5 feet.
 - 3. Corner, Gate, Pull, and Terminal Posts: 3 feet.
- D. Brace each gate and corner post to adjacent line post with horizontal center brace rail and diagonal truss rods. Install brace rail one bay from end and gate posts.
- E. Install top rail through line post tops and splice with 6 inch long rail sleeves.
- F. Install center and bottom brace rail on corner gate leaves.
- G. Place fabric on outside of posts and rails.
- H. Do not stretch fabric until concrete foundation has cured 28 days.
- I. Stretch fabric between terminal posts or at intervals of 100 feet maximum, whichever is less.
- J. Position bottom of fabric 2 inches above finished grade.
- K. Fasten fabric to top rail, line posts, braces, and bottom tension wire with tie wire at maximum 15 inches on centers.
- L. Attach fabric to end, corner, and gate posts with tension bars and tension bar clips.
- M. Install bottom tension wire stretched taut between terminal posts.
- N. Install support arms sloped inward, outward, or vertical as indicated and attach barbed wire; tension, and secure.
- O. Support gates from gate posts. Do not attach hinged side of gate from building wall.
- P. Install gate with fabric and barbed wire overhang to match fence. Install three hinges on each gate leaf. Install latch, catches, and drop bolt.
- Q. Provide concrete center drop to footing depth and drop rod retainers at center of double gate openings.

- R. Connect to existing fence at an existing terminal post, new terminal post, or an existing line post converted to terminal post by installation of brace rails and brace rods.
- S. Install posts with 6 inches maximum clear opening from end posts to buildings, fences, and other structures.
- T. Excavate holes for posts to diameter and spacing indicated on Drawings without disturbing underlying materials.
- U. Center and align posts. Place concrete around posts, and vibrate or tamp for consolidation. Verify vertical and top alignment of posts and make necessary corrections.
- V. Extend concrete footings 1 inch above grade and trowel, forming crown to shed water.
- W. Allow footings to cure minimum 7 days before installing fabric and other materials attached to posts.

3.2 ERECTION TOLERANCE

- A. Quality Requirements: Tolerances.
- B. Maximum Variation from Plumb: 1/4 inch.
- C. Maximum Offset from Indicated Position: 1 inch.

END OF SECTION



Instructions for Bidders Bid #23-025

<u>Labor and Materials for Installation</u> Or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed"

These are general instructions and conditions that accompany each bid package. If more specific instructions are given in the individual bid package, those instructions should prevail.

1. Submission of Questions

Questions must be submitted in writing via electronic mail, facsimile or postal mail to the Issuing Officer no later than the "Deadline for Questions" cutoff identified in the Bid Timeline on page three (3) in order to generate an official answer. All written questions will receive an official written response from the Georgetown County Purchasing Office (GCPO) and will become addenda to the solicitation.

GCPO reserves the right to reject or deny any requests made by the provider.

Impromptu, unwritten questions are permitted and verbal answers may be provided, but are only intended as general direction and will not represent the official GCPO position. The only official position of GCPO is that which is stated in writing and issued in the solicitation as addenda thereto.

No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response/statement and may not be relied upon. SEND QUESTIONS TO:

Nancy Silver, Purchasing Officer Post Office Box 421270, Georgetown, SC 29442-4200

Fax: (843) 545-3500

Email: nsilver@gtcounty.org

- 2. Sealed bids to provide <u>Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence</u> <u>"As Needed"</u> shall be received electronically through the County's Vendor Registry webpage until the cut-off time shown in the bid timeline on page three (3) of this document. Bids will then be promptly opened at the designated time by the Buyer. Bids that are not received prior to the stated opening date and time will be considered <u>NON RESPONSIVE</u>. An official authorized to bind the offer must sign all bids submitted.
- 3. <u>Inclement Weather/Closure of County Courthouse</u>
 Bid openings at the time of this issuance are being conducted virtually or hybrid and may occur from an alternate secure and/or remote location as needed. A virtual meeting link will be posted under the bid number before the bid opening time so that members of the public may attend the meeting virtually.
- 4. This solicitation does not commit Georgetown County to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid, or to procure or contract for goods or services. It is the responsibility of each bidder to see that the Georgetown County Purchasing Office receives bids on, or before, the date and time specified for the bid opening. No bid will be accepted thereafter. The County assumes no responsibility for delivery of bids that are mailed. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the bid process.

5. NON EXCLUSIVITY

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor. Any resulting contract shall not restrict the County from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources, when Staff determines internally that this resulting action is in the best interest of Georgetown County.

6. No Bidder may submit more than one bid. Multiple bids for different manufacturers but represented by the same firm will not be accepted. Bids offered directly from manufacturers shall indicate if a local dealer/representative will be involved.

7. Definitions:

- a) The terms "Proposer", "Offeror", "Vendor" or "Bidder" refer to those parties who are submitting sealed responses for the work set forth in this document to the OWNER, as distinct from a subbidder who provides a bid to the Bidder. The term "Contractor" refers to the successful Bidder.
- b) The terms "Installation", "Replacement" or "Work" refers to the **complete set of services** as specified in this document, in every aspect.
- c) The terms "Owner" and "County" refer to the County of Georgetown, South Carolina.
- d) Where the words "shall" or "must" are used, it signifies an absolute minimum function or capacity that, if not satisfied, may result in disqualification.
- e) Where the words "should", "may", or "is desirable" are used, it signifies desirable, but not mandatory functions or capacities. Bidders who are able to provide these functions or capacities may be evaluated more favorably that those who cannot.

8. Correction or Withdrawal of Bids; Cancellation of Awards

An offeror must submit in writing a request to either correct or withdraw a bid to the Procurement Officer. Each written request must document the fact that the offeror's mistake is clearly an error that will cause him substantial loss.

- a) Correction of awards: An offeror shall not be permitted to correct a bid mistake after bid opening that would cause such offeror to have the low bid unless the mistake in the judgment of the Procurement Officer is clearly evident from examining the bid document; for example, extension of unit prices or errors in addition.
- b) Cancellation of awards prior to performance: When it is determined after an award has been issued but before performance has begun that Georgetown County's requirements for the goods or services have changed or have not been met, the award or contract may be canceled and either re-awarded or a new solicitation issued.
- 9. Faxed or E-mailed bids will not be accepted by Georgetown County. Electronic bid submissions must be submitted through the Georgetown County Purchasing Vendor Registry page to ensure they remain sealed until the scheduled bid opening date and time.
- 10. If you need any reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in this procurement, please contact the purchasing office as soon as possible.

- 11. <u>Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964</u>: Georgetown County hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of the agency to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. Title VI requires that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which Georgetown County receives federal financial assistance. Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI has a right to file a formal complaint with Georgetown County. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with Georgetown County's Title VI Coordinator within one hundred and eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For more information, or to obtain a Title VI Discriminatory Complaint Form, please see our website at http://www.gtcounty.org/about/faqs.html.
- 12. Any deviations from the specifications or modification of this bid and any extra or incidental work or reductions in work shall be set forth in writing and signed by both parties prior to making such change. Any increase or decrease in the bid price resulting from such change shall be included in writing.
- 13. Exceptions: The bidder shall list on a separate sheet of paper any variations from, or exceptions to, the conditions and specifications of this bid. This sheet shall be labeled "Exception(s) to Bid Conditions and Specifications," and shall be attached to the bid. When Proposers find instances where they must take exception with certain requirements or specifications of the bid, all exceptions shall be clearly identified. Written explanations shall include the scope of the exceptions, the ramifications of the exceptions for the County of Georgetown, and a description of the advantage to be gained or disadvantages to be incurred by the County as a result of these exceptions. If none, write "NONE".
- 14. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive as an informality any irregularities contained in any bid as may be deemed in the best interest of the County. Georgetown County further reserves the right to reject any bid submitted, at its sole option, that the vendor may not be able to meet the service requirements of the bid.
- 15. <u>Publicity releases</u>: contractor agrees not to refer to award of any resulting contract in commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the products or services provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.
- 16. <u>Material Safety Data Sheets</u>: The County of Georgetown will not receive any materials, products, or chemicals which may be hazardous to an employee's health unless accompanied by a Material Data Sheet when received.
- 17. Ownership of Copyright: All right, title and interest in all copyrightable materials which vendor shall create in the performance of its obligations hereunder shall be the property of the procurer. Vendor agrees to assign and hereby does assign any and all interest it has in and to such material to procurer. Vendor agrees, upon the request of procurer to execute all papers and perform all other such acts necessary to assist procurer to obtain and register copyrights on such materials. Where applicable, works of authorship created by the vendor in the performance of its obligations hereunder, shall be considered "works for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act.
- 18. Ownership of Documents: Any reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents prepared by vendor in the performance of its obligations shall be the exclusive property of the procurer and all such material shall be remitted to the procurer by the vendor upon completion, termination or

- cancellation of this order. Vendor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to have such material used for any purpose other than performance of its obligations under this order without the prior written consent of the procurer.
- 19. <u>Affirmative Action</u>: The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, without regard or discrimination by reason of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap. The following are incorporated herein by reference: 41 C.F.R. 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4.
- 20. Inclusion and participation of disadvantaged, small, and local business entities is strongly encouraged, but minimum participation standards are not in effect for this project.
- 21. Federally Funded Construction Contracts Over \$2,000:
 - a) Davis-Bacon Requirements. These contracts need to include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a to a—7) and the Department of Labor implementing regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under this Act, Contractors are required to include the contract provisions in Section 5.5 (a) of 29 CFR Part 5, and to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less often than once a week. Current Wage Determination for Georgetown County in South Carolina is available on-line at: https://sam.gov/content/wage-determinations
 - b) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act Requirements. The contracts must include a provision for compliance with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-330) as supplemented by the Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under Section 103 of the Act, each Contractor shall be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard workweek of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard workweek is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate not less than one times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the workweek. Section 107 of the Act is applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer of mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to health and safety as determined under construction, safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies, materials, or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
 - c) Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act Requirements. All construction contracts over \$2,000.00 must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3). This act provides that each Contractor shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, persons employed in the construction, completion, or repaid of public work to give up any part of their compensation.
- 22. Bidders must clearly mark as "confidential" each part of their bid which they consider to be proprietary information that could be exempt from disclosure under section 30-4-40, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (Freedom of Information Act). If any part is designated as confidential, there must be attached to that part an explanation of how this information fits within one or more

categories listed in section 30-4-40. The County reserves the right to determine whether this information should be exempt from disclosure and no legal action may be brought against the County or its agents for its determination in this regard.

23. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The contractor certifies that the vendor(s) will provide a "drug-free workplace" as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.

24. <u>Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities</u>

The contractor certifies that he does not maintain or provide, for his employees, any segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he does not permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The contractor certifies that he will not maintain or provide, for his employees, segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he will not permit his employees to perform their services at any location under his control where segregated facilities are maintained. The construction contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity Clause in this Contract.

As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms, and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or any other reason. The contractor agrees that (except where he has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) he will obtain identical certifications from proposed subcontractor s prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause and that he will retain such certifications in his files.

25. Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible vendor, his product or service or in any way restrain or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible vendors are encouraged to bid and their bids are solicited.

26. Acknowledgement of Addenda

Each contractor is responsible to verify the number of total addenda issued prior to bid. **Failure to acknowledge all addenda may disqualify the bidder.** All addenda are posted by the County at the website located at www.georgetowncountysc.org, select "Bid Opportunities" from the Quick Links box. It is each proposer's responsibility to verify that all addenda have been received and acknowledged.

27. This Invitation for Bid covers the estimated requirements to provide <u>Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed"</u> for the <u>Georgetown County Parks & Recreation Department</u>. The purpose is to establish and indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity term contract with firm pricing under which any department may place orders as needed. The right is reserved to extend the use of this contract to any County Department.

28. TERMS OF AGREEMENT / RENEWAL

The contract shall be for a one-year term period and may be auto-renewed annually up to a maximum of five (5) years. The County reserves the right to negotiate with the successful bidder, after contract award, for an additional discount.

29. PRICE ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION:

Prices are to remain firm for the first contract period. In subsequent terms, the contractor may request, in writing at least sixty (60) days in advance of the contract ending date, an increase/decrease. Should the County elect to exercise the option to renew the contract for additional year(s), the contract prices for the additional years shall not exceed the percentage increase/decrease of the "Services" category of the CPI-W SECTION OF THE COMSUMER PRICE INDEX of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve month for which statistics are available. Should the price change be granted and the County elects to renew the contract, the purchase order will reflect the changes.

30. <u>Bids must be made on Proposal or Bid Form furnished or will be rejected</u>. Proposals shall be typewritten or written in ink on the form prepared by the County. The person signing the bid shall initial all corrections or erasures.

The successful bidder shall procure, maintain, and provide proof of, insurance coverage for injuries to persons and/or property damage as may arise from or in conjunction with, the work performed on behalf of the County by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. Proof of coverage as contained herein shall be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to the commencement of work and such coverage shall be maintained by the bidder for the duration of the contract period; for occurrence policies.

a. General Liability

Coverage shall be as broad as: Comprehensive General Liability endorsed to include Broad Form, Commercial General Liability form including Products/Completed Operations.

1. Minimum Limits

General Liability:

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit

\$1,000,000 Products & Completed Operations

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit

\$50,000 Fire Damage Limit

\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

b. Automobile Liability

Coverage sufficient to cover all vehicles owned, used, or hired by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

1. <u>Minimum Limits</u>

Automobile Liability:

\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit

\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

c. Workers' Compensation

Limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC. Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

d. Owners' & Contractors' Protective Liability

n/a.

e. Professional Liability (a/k/a Errors and Omissions)

n/a

f. Coverage Provisions

- 1. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s).
- 2. The County of Georgetown, its officers/ officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be added as "additional insured" as their interests may appear. This provision does not apply to Professional Liability or Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability.
- 3. The offeror's insurance shall be primary over any applicable insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County.
- 4. Shall provide 30 days written notice to the County before any cancellation, suspension, or void of coverage in whole or part, where such provision is reasonable.
- 5. All coverage for subcontractors of the bidder shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
- 6. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, either; the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductible or self-insured retention; or the bidder shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.
- 7. Failure to comply with any reporting provisions of the policy(s) shall not affect coverage provided the County, its officers/officials, agents, employees and volunteers.
- 8. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its' officers/officials, agents, employees or volunteers for any act, omission or condition of premises which the parties may be held liable by reason of negligence.
- 9. The bidder shall furnish the County certificates of insurance including endorsements affecting coverage. The certificates are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurance company(s) to bind coverage on its' behalf, if executed by a broker, notarized copy of authorization to bind, or certify coverage must be attached.
- 10. All insurance shall be placed with insurers maintaining an A.M. Best rating of no less than an A:VII. If A.M. Best rating is less than A:VII, approval must be received from County's Risk Officer.

31. Workman's Compensation Coverage

Georgetown County, SC will require <u>each contractor and service provider</u> to maintain on file with the purchasing officer, a current Certificate of Insurance showing limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC: Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

The law also recognizes "statutory employees." These are employees who work for a subcontractor who may be working for a business or another contractor. Employers should inquire whether or not a subcontractor working for them has workers' compensation insurance, regardless of the number of employees employed by the subcontractor. If the subcontractor does not, the subcontractor's injured

employees would be covered under the employer's workers' compensation insurance. If the subcontractor does not carry workers' compensation insurance, then the owner or the principal contractor would be liable just as if the subcontractor's employee was one of their employees.

For answers to additional questions, visit the SC Worker's Compensation Commission website, at: https://www.wcc.sc.gov/

32. Hold Harmless Clause

The Contractor shall, during the term of the contract including any warranty period, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officials, employees, agents, and representatives thereof from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind, including attorney's fees, brought on account of any personal injuries, damages, or violations of rights, sustained by any person or property in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding contract work or on account of any act or omission by the contractor or his employees, or from any claims or amounts arising from violation of any law, bylaw, ordinance, regulation or decree. The vendor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyright.

33. Condition of Items

All items shall be new, in first class condition, including containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated herein. Verbal agreements to the contrary will not be recognized.

34. Workmanship and Inspection

All work under this contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The County may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove any employee from work that the County deems incompetent or careless.

Further, the County may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under this contract. Any inspection by the County does not relieve the Contractor from any responsibility regarding defects or other failures to meet the contract requirements.

35. <u>Invoicing and Payment</u>

The Contractor shall submit invoices on a frequency to be determined, as agreed upon by the County, for each payment requested. Such invoice shall also include a detailed breakdown of all charges. All such invoices will be paid within thirty (30) days unless any items thereon are questioned, in which event payment will be withheld pending verification of the amount claimed and the validity of the claim. The firm shall provide complete cooperation during any such investigation. All invoices shall be forwarded to the following address:

County of Georgetown Accounts Payable, Finance Dept. P.O. Box 421270 Georgetown, SC 29442-4200

An IRS W-9 form must be on file with the Purchasing Office before any payment will be issued.

South Carolina Sales Tax

The County of Georgetown, SC is <u>not</u> exempt and pays the appropriate SC sales tax on all applicable purchases.

36. Assignment of Contract

This contract may not be assigned in whole or part without the written consent of the Purchasing Officer.

37. Price Hold.

All prices shall remain set and unchanged for the initial twelve (12) months after the Contract effective date.

38. Termination

Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated by the County upon sixty (60) days advance written notice to the other party; but if any work or service hereunder is in progress, but not completed as of the date of termination, then this contract may be extended upon written approval of the County until said work or services are completed and accepted.

a. Termination for Convenience

In the event that this contract is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the County, without the required sixty (60) days advance written notice, then the County shall negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

a. Termination for Cause

Termination by the County for cause, default or negligence on the part of the contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provision; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The sixty (60) days advance notice requirement is waived in the event of Termination for Cause.

c. <u>Non-Appropriation:</u>

It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event funds are not appropriated in the current fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal years, this contract will become null and void and the County will only be required to pay for services completed to the satisfaction of the County.

39. Default

In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the County may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law.

40. Severability

In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

41. Applicable Laws

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, U.S.A.

42. Claims and Disputes:

All claims, disputes and other matters in question between parties arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be decided in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial circuit in Georgetown County, South Carolina. By executing this Agreement, all parties specifically consent to venue and jurisdiction in Georgetown County, South Carolina and waive any right to contest jurisdiction and venue in said Court.

43. Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County.

44. Award of Bid

In determining the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in addition to price, there shall be considered the following:

- (a) The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract.
- (b) Whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay of interference.
- (c) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder.
- (d) The quality of performance on previous contracts.
- (e) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.
- (f) The sufficiency of the financial resources to perform the contract to provide the service.
- (g) The quality, availability and adaptability of the supplies or contractual services to the particular use required.
- (h) The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service.
- (i) The discount terms and conditions of the bid.
- (j) Delivery time.

45. Notice of Award

A *Notice of Intent to Award* will be mailed to all respondents.

46. Protest

Bidders may refer to Sections 2-67, 2-73, and 2-74 of Ordinance #20-32, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. The failure to be awarded a bid shall not be valid grounds for protest.

47. Debarment

By submitting a bid, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals, sub-contractors and assigns are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal, State or local department or agency A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with Section 2-68 of Ordinance #20-32, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy is available upon request.

48. Quotations to be F.O.B.: Destination

Quote F.O.B.: Destination for this competitive sealed bid. As an alternate, show exact cost for delivery.

49. Unit Prices and Extension

Bid unit price on quantity specified -- extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern. Bids subject to unlimited price increases will not be considered.

50. Use of Brand Names (If Appropriate)

Unless otherwise stated in an Invitation for Bid, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict bidders to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired, and any article which the County in its sole discretion determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. Any catalog, brand name or manufacturer's reference used in bid invitation is descriptive - NOT restrictive - it is to indicate type and quality desired. Bids on brands of like nature and quality will be considered. If bidding on other than reference or specifications, bid must show manufacturer, brand or trade name, catalog number, etc. of article offered. If other than brand(s) specified is offered, illustrations and complete description must be submitted with bid. Samples may be required. If bidder makes no other bid and takes no exception to specifications or reference data, he will be required to furnish brand names, numbers, etc., as specified. Bidders must certify that item(s) bid upon meet and/or exceed specifications.

51. Delivery After Receipt of Order (ARO)

Bid must show the number of days required to place material in using agency's receiving room under normal conditions. Failure to state delivery time obligates bidder to complete delivery in fourteen (14) calendar days. Unrealistically short or long delivery promised may cause bid to be disregarded. Consistent failure to meet delivery promises without valid reason may cause removal from bid list. Delivery shall be made during normal working hours only, 9 to 5, unless prior approval has been obtained from the County.

52. Permits

The successful Offeror must be responsible for obtaining all necessary city, county, and state permits/licenses and must comply with all local codes and ordinances. Copies of such permits/licenses shall be made available to the County upon request. Building contractors working within Georgetown County must also secure a Contractor's License from the Building Department. Work within the Georgetown City Limits may require a City Business License. For additional information, please review the "Forms and Fees" section of the Building Department web page at the link below: http://www.gtcounty.org/176/Building-Department.

53. Environmental Management:

Vendor/Supplier/Contractor will be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local environmental regulations relating to transportation, handling, storage, spillage and any other aspect of providing the services specified herein, as applicable.

54. Bid Tabulation Results

Vendors wishing to view the bid tabulation results may visit the Georgetown County, SC web-site at: http://www.georgetowncountysc.org. Select "Bid Opportunities" from the Quick Links box, then click on the "Expired" tab and double click the link under the individual bid listing.

- 55. The Bidder hereby certifies that he or she has carefully examined all of the Documents for the project, has carefully and thoroughly reviewed this Request for Bid/Quotation, has inspected the location of the project (if applicable), and understands the nature and scope of the work to be done; and that this Bid is based upon the terms, specifications, requirements, and conditions of the Request for Bid/Documents. The Bidder further agrees that the performance time specified is a reasonable time, having carefully considered the nature and scope of the project as aforesaid.
- 56. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to

promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor's submittal to be declared null and void.

57. Apparent omission of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning the best commercial practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the finest quality are to be used.

58. Response Clarification

Georgetown County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.

59. Georgetown County, SC has a Local Vendor Preference Option by ordinance. See the RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE form attached for details.

60. Vendor Checklist

The items indicated below must be returned as a part of the Bid Submission package:

Residence Certification for Local Preference
Mandatory Bid Submittal Form
Exceptions Page
Addendum Acknowledgement (If Issued)

The successful proposer will be required to provide a Certificate of Insurance naming Georgetown County, SC as an additional insured and a signed IRS Form W-9. This must be on file with the Purchasing Department prior to any services being performed and must be on file within fifteen (15) days of written notification of award.

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RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE

MANDATORY VENDOR SUBMITTAL FORM

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council desires to further its support of local businesses when awarding contracts for the provision of supplies and construction services to the County through its established procurement procedures.

THEREFOR pursuant to Georgetown County, SC Ordinance #20-32, §2-50 Local Preference, the Georgetown County Purchasing Officer requests each offeror provide Residence Certification. The Local Preference Option provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contracts; provisions of which are stated below:

Sec 2-50. Local Preference

- 1. A vendor shall be deemed a Local Georgetown County vendor for the purposes of this Section if such vendor is an individual, partnership, association or corporation that is authorized to transact business within the State, maintains an office in Georgetown County, and maintains a representative inventory or commodities within the County on which the bid is submitted, and has paid all taxes duly assessed.
- 2. This option allows the lowest local Bidder whose bid is within five-percent (5%) of the lowest non-local Bidder to match the bid submitted by the non-local Bidder and thereby be awarded the contract. This preference shall apply only when (a) the total dollar purchase is greater than \$30,000; (b) the vendor has a physical business address located and operating within the limits of Georgetown County and has been doing business in the County for a period of twelve (12) months or more; and (c) the vendor provides proof of payment of all applicable Georgetown County taxes and fees if so requested.
- 3. Should the lowest responsible and responsive Georgetown County bidder not exercise its right to match the bid as granted herein, the next lowest qualified Georgetown County bidder shall have that right and so on. The right to exercise the right to match the bid shall be exercised within 24 hours of notification of the right to match the non-Georgetown County bidder's bid.
- 4. In order to qualify for the local preference authorized by this Section, the vendor seeking same shall be required to submit with its bid a statement containing relevant information which demonstrates compliance with the provisions of this Section. This statement shall be on a form provided by the County purchasing department and shall be signed under penalty of perjury. Failure to provide such affidavit at the time the bidder submits its bid shall constitute a waiver of any claim for preference.
- 5. For all contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by Section 2-56, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services Public Announcement and Selection Process, the county shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are "most highly qualified." In determining which firm is the "most qualified" for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.

6. Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of contracts: (a) Goods or services provided under a cooperative purchasing agreement or similar "piggyback" contract: (b) Contracts for professional services except as provided for in section five (§5) above; (c) Purchases or contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference; (d) Purchases or contracts made pursuant to a noncompetitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section; or (e) Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the county council or county administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the county attorney, required by law. I certify that [Company Name] ______ is a **Resident Bidder** of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #20-32, (see §1. above) and our local place of business within Georgetown County is: I certify that [Company Name] ______ is a **Non-Resident Bidder** of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #20-32, and our principal place of business is

[City and State].

Signature of Company Officer

MANDATORY BID SUBMITTAL FORM Bid #23-025

<u>Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed"</u>

The undersigned, on behalf of the vendor, certifies that: (1) this bid is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud;(3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the bid is entered (4) they have read the complete Request for Bid and understand and accept all provisions: (5) if accepted by the County, this bid is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted bid will be their responsibility.

1.	Name of Company submitting bid	
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2. Schedule of Costs:

<u>General Fencing Repairs:</u> Consists of repairing/replacing chain-link fabric, posts, top rail and bottom rail within linear feet in question.

Chain Link Fence Repair	Cost per Linear Foot
6' Chain Link Fence Repair	\$
8' Chain Link Fence Repair	\$
10' Chain Link Fence Repair	\$
Demolition	\$

<u>New Fence Installation:</u> Consists of installing chain-link fabric, posts, top rail and bottom rail within linear feet in question.

Chain Link Fence Install	Cost per Linear Foot
6' Chain Link Fence Install	\$
8' Chain Link Fence Install	\$
10' Chain Link Fence Install	\$

<u>C. Gates:</u> Consists of installing chain-link fabric, posts and hinges per size gate in question.

	Cost Each	
3.5 inch diameter post	\$	
4.5 inch diameter post	\$	
8' Gates	Cost Each	
3.5 inch diameter post	\$	
4.5 inch diameter post	\$	
10' Gates	Cost Each	
3.5 inch diameter post	\$	
4.5 inch diameter post	\$	

	If your company is authorized to collect SC Sales Tax, place your SC Sales Tax Registration Number on the line above, otherwise write "NO".
4.	Bid cost must remain valid ninety (90) days from bid opening date.
5.	Number of days for mobilization delivery after notification:
6.	Contact Address:
7.	Contact Person:
8.	Telephone Number: Fax Number:
9.	E-Mail address:
10.	Remittance Address:

11. Accounting Contact:

12. Telephone Number:	Fax Number:
13. E-Mail address:	
14. List a minimum of three (3) C Government/Commercial:	Customer References in the fields below, preferably
Entity Name:	
Contact:	
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<u> </u>	Iting Contract, Insurance, W-9 Form, and Bonds (if applicable) must) days after receipt of written notice of formal award of Contract.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	rices and terms for purchase by other departments within Georgetown ernment entities who participate in cooperative purchasing with rolina?
☐ Yes ☐ No	
	Bid Content: The contents of the successful bid are included as if erefore, the selected contractor must be prepared to be bound by

19. RENEWAL OF CONTRACT

The continuation of the terms, conditions, and provisions of any resulting contract beyond the fiscal year is subject to approval and ratification by Georgetown County and appropriation of the necessary money to fund said contract for each succeeding year.

20. <u>CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:</u>

	term is	dersigned certifies that the vendor listed below will provide a "drug-free workplace" as that defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.
		Yes No
21.	discuss any pro	tempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by ion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or occdure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions I cause the vendor's submittal to be declared null and void.
22.	portion	vest or any proposal will not necessarily be accepted and the County reserves the right to award any thereof. I/We, the undersigned, hereby confirm that all the above noted documents for quest for Proposal No. <u>23-025</u> were received.
23.	MINOI	RITY PARTICIPATION[INFORMATION ONLY]
	(a)	Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? Ves No
		Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? Yes No If so, please list the certifying governmental entity:
		Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?
		\square Yes \square No
		If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?
		Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?
		\square Yes \square No
		If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?
		If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:
		☐ Traditional minority
		☐ Traditional minority, but female
		☐ Women (Caucasian females)
		☐ Hispanic minorities
		DOT referral (Traditional minority)

DOT referral (Caucasian female)
☐ Temporary certification
☐ SBA 8 (a) certification referral
Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)
24. ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: Non-Construction (NOV. 2008): (An overview is available at www.procurement.sc.gov) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8 Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you are your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]
25. INFORMATION ONLY: Our company accepts VISA government procurement cards. If yes, list any upcharge for P-Card Payment? Our company does not accept VISA government procurement cards.
26. Printed Name of person binding bid
27. Signature (X)
28. Date:



EXCEPTIONS PAGE

MANDATORY BID SUBMISSION FORM

Bid #23-025, Labor and Materials for Installation or Replacement Chain Link Fence "As Needed" List any areas where you cannot or will not comply with the specifications or terms contained within the bid documentation. If none, write "NONE".