



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

FIVE LOCATIONS

Issue Date: Monday, June 27, 2022

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
166 INDUSTRIAL BLVD./P.O. BOX 1359
GRAY, GA 31032
PHONE: (478) 986-8233
ATTN: JASON RIZNER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL September 01, 2022 AT 3:30 P.M.

PROPOSALS ARE TO BE SEALED AND MAILED VIA USPS, FEDEX OR UPS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS OR HAND DELIVERED TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE LOCATED IN THE JONES COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER AT 166 INDUSTRIAL BLVD., GRAY, GA 31032

Mandatory Pre-Proposal meeting

A Mandatory Pre –Proposal meeting will be held for all interested vendors. Pre-Proposal meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM at the Jones County Government Center located at 166 Industrial Blvd. Gray, Georgia 31032. Site visit will be after the mandatory Pre- Proposal Meeting and will be for all six locations. Interested vendors must attend the pre-proposal meeting and site visit in order to submit a bid for the project.



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Jones County Board of Commissioners is requesting and will accept sealed proposals for new playground equipment for the Five Jones County Playgrounds listed in this RFP until Thursday, September 01, 2022, at 3:30 p.m. local time, by Jason Rizner, County Administrator, at the Jones County Government Center, 166 Industrial Boulevard, Gray, GA 31032 at which time they shall be opened. The proposals submitted shall not be subject to public inspection until the contract is awarded. Any contract resulting from a proposals received shall be awarded to the person or entity that submits the best overall proposal as determined by the awarding authority. The factors to be considered by Jones County in awarding the contract include the following:

1. ADA, ASTM, IPEMA & CPSC compliance
2. Proposal addresses design guidelines and specifications outlined in RFP (New playgrounds and upgrades)
3. Quality of Design and Layout and Play value (quality vs. number of components);
4. Quality and durability of the equipment;
5. Reputation and Reliability of the manufacturer, including background, past experience and references;
6. Warranty;
7. Proposed timeline
8. Price

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Jones County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities.

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Bidder submit a complete, fully executed RFP document.
2. If mailed, proposal should be forwarded by certified U.S. Postal Service. Please address and mark your bid as shown below.

**JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ATTN: JASON RIZNER
166 INDUSTRIAL BLVD.
GRAY, GA 31032
"RFP – Playground Equipment Five Locations"**

3. If forwarded other than by U.S. Postal Service, delivery must be made directly to Jones County Administrator Jason Rizner, Jones County Government Center, 166 Industrial Blvd., Gray, GA 31032. **NOTE: IF MAIL OR DELIVERY BY ANY OTHER MEANS IS DELAYED BEYOND THE DATE AND HOUR SET FOR BID OPENING, PROPOSAL THUS DELAYED WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**



General Information

The Jones County Board of Commissioners is requesting proposals from qualified playground equipment Manufacturers and/or vendors to design, furnish, deliver, and install new playground equipment at five county park locations, as detailed in this RFP .The type and quantity of equipment needed varies by each location.

Vendors are invited to submit Proposals with playground equipment designs for **any or all** of the playground locations identified in this RFP. The following must be taken into consideration for these playground projects.

- Creates a play environment that serves the physical, social, sensory, cognitive and emotional needs of children of all abilities in a community.
- Meets the widest range of needs for the widest range of users and abilities in the same setting.
- Utilizes universal design to achieve highly-diverse physical accessibility with playful solutions that are developmentally appropriate for many different levels of need, and is done in an engaging and sensory-rich environment.

Insurance and Indemnification

Selected Vendor must provide proof of insurance in accordance with the attached “Contractors Insurance Requirements” document, and the selected contractor must agree to indemnify, defend, and hold the County and County personnel harmless from and against any and all actions, suits, claims, demands, judgments, attorney’s fees, costs, damages to persons or property, losses, penalties, obligations, expenses or liabilities that may be asserted or claimed by any person or entity arising out of the willful or negligent acts, errors or omissions of the selected vendor, its employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors in the performance of any task or service performed on behalf of the County whether or not there is concurrent active or passive negligence on the part of the County and/or County personnel, but excluding such claims or liabilities arising from the sole active negligence or willful misconduct of the County or County personnel.

Vendors must provide affidavit verifying status for County Public Benefits and Contractors E-Verify Affidavit with the submittal of the bid (see attached).

Interpretations and Clarifications:

After the RFP issue date, all communications between Jones County and prospective Proposers shall be in writing. Only emailed questions will be accepted. Any inquiries, requests for information, technical questions, clarifications, or additional information shall be directed to Julie Happoldt at Julie.happoldt@jonescountyga.org

Interested vendors are responsible for examining the site prior to submitting a proposal and notifying the County in writing of any issues or questions prior to August 19, 2022 by 5:00 P.m. Deadline for receipt of questions is August 19, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Vendors will be responsible for their own measurements for the proposals. An addendum with all submitted questions and answers will be issued if necessary on August 26, 2022



Submission of RFP:

One (1) original hard copy and one (1) electronic copy of the proposal shall be submitted on or before September 1, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. to:

**JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ATTN: JASON RIZNER
166 INDUSTRIAL BLVD./P.O. Box 1359
GRAY, GA 31032
“RFP –PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FIVE LOCATIONS”**

Sealed proposals should be clearly marked “RFP – PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FIVE LOCATIONS”.

When received, all proposals and supporting materials, as well as correspondence relating to the RFP, shall become the property of the County. **Proposals sent by fax will not be accepted.**

In submitting a proposal, it is understood by the vendor that Jones County reserves the right to accept any proposal, to reject any and all proposals as non-responsive and to waive any irregularities or informalities in proposals when to do so is in the best interest of Jones County.

Any proposal may be withdrawn or modified by written request of the vendor, provided such request is received by the County at the designated address prior to the date and time set for receipt of proposals.

If a proposal includes any proprietary data or information, such data or information must be specifically identified as such on every page on which it is found. Data or information so identified will remain confidential to the extent allowed by Georgia law and will be used by Jones County personnel solely for the purposes of evaluating proposals and conducting contract negotiations. The cost of preparing a response to the RFP will not be reimbursed by the County.

Vendors will be allowed to submit multiple proposals, but will be limited to a total of TWO (2) proposals/designs per playground.

The proposal must include the following:

1. A qualifications summary containing a description of the firm’s qualifications and a brief list and description of similar projects successfully completed.
2. References – minimum of three (3) references where the vendor completed a similar project within the past two (2) years.
3. A qualification summary of the subcontractor that will install the equipment.
4. Complete detailed specifications for the equipment in the proposal.
5. Color drawings, layouts of the proposed area, and pictures (2D and 3D).
6. Equipment warranties.
7. Timeframe for completion.
8. Price (total price and price per element).



Scope:

Generally speaking, the County is not set on a particular design or particular pieces of equipment. We are open to all suggestions on playground themes, although an overall theme is not required. We do not have a preference of colors. We plan to make final color selections after a vendor is chosen.

1. All equipment must conform to ASTM F1487-11 and the Consumer Product Safety Commission's Public Playground Safety Handbook. All equipment specified must be IPEMA and ISO 9001 certified. All equipment shall be compliant with the full intent of all ADA guidelines for accessibility. All equipment shall also meet applicable CPSC and IPEMA standards. Equipment that does not meet these requirements will not be considered.
2. Equipment shall be commercial quality and very low maintenance. Playground components which include 5" O.D. post and steel decks are preferred. Equipment made of wood shall not be permitted.
3. The prices listed must include all costs associated with the project, including but not limited to construction, safety surfacing, shipping, handling, delivery, design, installation and inspection of the playground equipment and post installation audit of the equipment.
4. The vendor selected shall be required to perform all necessary work associated with the design, delivery, installation, safety surfacing installation, and post-installation audit of the playground. **Initial site preparation work will be performed by Jones County Public Works and is not part of this RFP's scope.** Final grade work will need to be completed by the selected vendor. Total price to design, purchase equipment, produce equipment, install by NPSI certified installers and inspect by NPSI certified inspector, shipping costs, warranty, taxes, bonds, and other expenses as necessary for the proper and complete implementation of the proposal shall not exceed the dollar amount listed for each site in this RFP.

The total budget amount for each site is specified in the RFP and is listed. Price is not the only consideration in the evaluation of the proposals. The other criteria specified will also be evaluated and considered. There is no requirement that the proposal use the entire dollar amount allotted. We are ultimately looking for the best value for our dollar. We are committed to create truly special spaces that can be enjoyed by children from Jones County and surrounding counties.



All proposals that meet the procurement requirements will be turned over to a proposal review committee. A proposal review committee will be appointed to evaluate all of the proposals received. Each committee member will score each proposal based on the criteria provided in this document. Vendors may be selected to provide an oral presentation as part of the selection process.

Proposal Scoring:

Each proposal will be evaluated using the following criteria and point values:

Criteria	Points Available	Points Awarded
ADA, ASTM, IPEMA & CPSC Compliance	n/a	n/a
Proposal Addresses Design Guidelines and Specifications Outlined in RFP	15	
Quality of Design and Layout and Play Value (quality vs. Number of Components)	15	
Quality and Durability of the Equipment	15	
Reputation and Reliability of the manufacturer, including background, past experience, and references	15	
Warranty	5	
Proposed Timeline	5	
Price	30	
Total	100	0



Playground locations
and budget

LOCATION 1:	<u>Mattie Wells Community Center (512 Ga Hwy 49 Macon ,Ga 31211)</u>	
	New - inclusive playground	Adjacent to the Gymnasium
Budget:		\$150,000.00
LOCATION 2:	<u>Liberty Park (3683 Upper River Road Macon ,Ga 31211)</u>	
	Upgrade-Younger children Playground(0-6)	\$33,333.34
	New-Inclusive Playground	\$158,333.33
	New- older Children (7-12)	\$68,333.33
Budget:	Total-	\$260,000.00
Location 3:	<u>Morris Bank Park (110 Bill Conn Pkwy Gray ,GA 31032)</u>	
	Upgrade or expand existing Playground	
Budget:		\$25,000.00
Location 4:	<u>49 Recreation Complex(436 GA HWY 49 Macon ,Ga 31211)</u>	
	Upgrade - Playground	
Budget:		\$25,000.00
Location 5	<u>Haddock Park (124 Old Milledgeville Road Haddock ,Ga 31033)</u>	
	Upgrade -Playground	
Budget:		\$25,000.00
Add alternate #1	<u>Jones County Library (146 Railroad Street Gray ,Ga 31032)</u>	
	Seating area with Shade sails and an interactive kids feature / Tactile wall	
Budget:		\$16,000.00



References

Government/Company: _____

Contact Person: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Concession Project Description: _____

Date of Project: _____

Government/Company: _____

Contact Person: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Concession Project Description: _____

Date of Project: _____

Government/Company: _____

Contact Person: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Concession Project Description: _____

Date of Project: _____



Contractor Insurance Requirements

Contractor's Insurance Provisions: During the life of the contract and for such additional time as may be required, the contractor will provide, pay for, and maintain in full force and effect the insurance outlined here for coverages at not less than the prescribed minimum limits of liability, covering the contractor's activities, those of any and all subcontractors, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.

Certificate of Insurance: Before starting work, the contractor will give the owner a certificate of insurance completed by a duly authorized representative of their insurer certifying that at least the minimum coverages required here are in effect and specifying that the liability coverages are written on an occurrence form and that the coverages will not be canceled, not renewed, or materially changed by endorsement or through issuance of other policy(ies) of insurance without 60 days advance written notice to:

Jones County Board of Commissioners
P. O. Box 1359
Gray, Ga. 31032

Failure of the owner to demand such certificate or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements or failure of the owner to identify a deficiency from evidence provided will not be construed as a waiver of the contractor's obligation to maintain such insurance.

The acceptance of delivery by the owner of any certificate of insurance evidencing the required coverages and limits does not constitute approval or agreement by the owner that the insurance requirements have been met or that the insurance policies shown in the certificates of insurance are in compliance with the requirements.

If the contractor fails to maintain the insurance as set forth here, the owner will have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase said insurance at the contractor's expense. Alternately, the contractor's failure to maintain the required insurance may result in termination of this contract at owner's option.

Insurance Primary: All coverage required of the contractor will be primary over any insurance or self-insurance program carried by the owner.

No Reduction or Limit of Obligation: By requiring insurance, the owner does not represent that coverage and limits will necessarily be adequate to protect the contractor. Insurance affected or procured by the contractor will not reduce or limit the contractor's contractual obligation to indemnify and defend the owner for claims or suits which result from or are connected with the performance of this contract.

Duration of Coverage: All required coverage will be maintained without interruption during the entire term of this contract and following final acceptance of the property by the owner.



Subcontractor's Insurance: The contractor will cause each sub-contractor employed by contractor to purchase and maintain insurance of the types specified below. When requested by the owner, the contractor will furnish copies of certificates of insurance evidencing coverage for each subcontractor.

Insurance Limits and Coverage: To the extent applicable, the amounts and types of insurance will conform to the minimum terms, conditions, and coverages of Insurance Service Office (ISO) policies, forms, and endorsements.

If the contractor has any self-insured retentions, or deductible under any of the following minimum required coverages, the contractor must identify on the certificate of insurance the nature and amount of such self-insured retentions or deductible and provide satisfactory evidence of financial responsibility for such obligations. All self-insured retentions or deductible will be the contractor's sole responsibility.

Commercial General Liability: The contractor will maintain commercial general liability insurance covering all operations by or on behalf of the contractor on an occurrence basis against claims for personal injury (including bodily injury and death) and property damage (including loss of use). Such insurance will have these minimum limits and coverage:

Minimum limits: \$1,000,000 each occurrence
 \$2,000,000 general aggregate with dedicated limits per project site
 \$2,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate

Worker's Compensation: The contractor will maintain workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance.

Minimum limits: Workers' compensation – statutory limit
 Employer's liability:
 \$1,000,000 bodily injury for each accident
 \$1,000,000 bodily injury by disease for each employee
 \$1,000,000 bodily injury disease aggregate



Contractor Affidavit under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b)(1)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services on behalf of (Jones County) has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91. Furthermore, the undersigned contractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period and the undersigned contractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the contractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b). Contractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

Date of Authorization

Name of Contractor

Name of Project

Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, ____, 201__ in _____(city), _____(state).

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 201__.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:



Subcontractor Affidavit under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b)(3)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned subcontractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services under a contract with (name of contractor) on behalf of Jones County has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91. Furthermore, the undersigned subcontractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period and the undersigned subcontractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with sub-subcontractors who present an affidavit to the subcontractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b). Additionally, the undersigned subcontractor will forward notice of the receipt of an affidavit from a sub-subcontractor to the contractor within five business days of receipt. If the undersigned subcontractor receives notice that a sub-subcontractor has received an affidavit from any other contracted sub-subcontractor, the undersigned subcontractor must forward, within five business days of receipt, a copy of the notice to the contractor. Subcontractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

(THIS SHOULD BE 5 TO 6 NUMBERS)

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

Date of Authorization

Name of Subcontractor

Name of Project

Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, ___, 20__ in _____(city), _____(state).

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20__.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:



Affidavit Verifying Status County Public Benefit Application Jones County Board of Commissioners

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a Jones County Georgia Business Occupation Tax Certificate, Alcohol License, Taxi Permit or other public benefit as referenced in O.C.G.A. Section 50-36-1, I am stating the following with respect to my application for a Jones County Business Occupation Tax Certificate, Alcohol License, Taxi Permit or other public benefit for _____. [Name of natural person applying on behalf of individual, business, corporation, partnership, or other private entity]

1) _____ I am a United States citizen

OR

2) _____ I am a legal permanent resident 18 years of age or older or I am an otherwise qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act 18 years of age or older and lawfully present in the United States.*

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of Code Section 16-10-20 of the Official Code of Georgia.

Signature of Applicant:

Date

Printed Name:

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

____ DAY OF _____, 20__

*

Alien Registration number for non-citizens

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires: _____

***Note:** O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(2) requires that aliens under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act, Title 8 U.S.C., as amended, provide their alien registration number. Because legal permanent residents are included in the federal definition of "alien", legal permanent residents must also provide their alien registration number. Qualified aliens that do not have an alien registration number may supply another identifying number below:



OPTIONAL — FOR NON-BIDDERS ONLY

**JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
NO BID STATEMENT**

In an effort to make the procurement of goods and services for the County as competitive as possible, we are soliciting information from contractors and/or vendors who cannot bid. Your responsiveness and constructive comments will be appreciated. Completion of this form will assist us in evaluating factors which relate to the competitiveness of our bids. Please check any of the boxes below which may apply. Please explain any issues that you feel needs to be addressed.

- Specifications - Restrictive, too light", unclear, specialty item, geared toward one (1) brand or manufacturer only. *(Please explain in detail below)*.
- Manufacturing - Unique item, production time for model has expired, etc.
- Bid Time - Insufficient time to properly respond to bid or proposal.
- Delivery Time - Specified delivery time cannot be met.
- Payment - Payment terms unacceptable. *(Please be specific)*
- Bonding - We are unable to meet bonding requirements.
- Insurance - We are unable to meet insurance requirements.
- Removal - Remove our firm from your bidders list for the particular commodity or service.
- Keep - Please keep our company on your bidders list for future reference.
- Project is : ____/ too Large ____/ too Small ____/ site or location is too distant
- Miscellaneous - Do not wish to bid, do not handle this type of item(s) or services, unable to compete, Contract clauses are unacceptable, etc. *(Please be specific)*
- Our company would only be interested in this project as a subcontractor or supplier.

VENDOR STATEMENT:

Bid Description: _____
 Company Name: _____
 Company Official Name: _____
 Company Official Signature: _____
 Telephone Number: _____
 Email Address: _____

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