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## **Invitation for Bids – IFB-22-030822**

### **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

This procurement is governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act and the Dinwiddie County Purchasing Policies and Procedures. All terms and conditions of the Act and the Policies and Procedures are hereby adopted and incorporated by references as a part of this notice.

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## 1. PURPOSE

Invitation for Bids Prepared By:

Invitation for Bids Number:

**Hollie R. Casey**  
**Procurement Officer**

**IFB-22-030822**

**Release date:** March 8, 2022

**Pre-Bid Meeting:** March 23, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. EST (See Section 4 for details)

**Deadline:** April 4, 2022 at 2 p.m. EST

**Bid Opening:** April 4, 2022 at 2:15 p.m. EST  
Community Room, Government Center Building  
14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841

## PURPOSE

<p>The purpose of this Invitation for Bids is to solicit sealed bids to provide general grounds maintenance services for Dinwiddie County.</p>
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If you are an individual with a disability and require a reasonable accommodation, please notify Hollie R. Casey at **(804) 469-4500 ext. 2150**, at least three working days prior to the date due.

**Bids, to include addenda or changes to a response, shall not be accepted via Fax machine or by Internet E-mail, orally, or by telephone.**

Nothing herein is intended to exclude any qualified responsible vendor, his/her product or service, or in any way restrain, or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible qualified vendors are encouraged to submit proposals.

## 2. BACKGROUND

Dinwiddie County is a rural jurisdiction of 504 square miles with a population of approximately 28,000 located in south central Virginia.

## 3. SCOPE OF WORK

The successful Bidder, hereinafter the “Contractor”, shall furnish all labor, supervision, equipment, tools, materials and incidentals necessary to complete grounds maintenance , in accordance with the specifications, for the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia (hereinafter referred to as the “County”).

### 3.1. Summary of Work and Locations

- A. Government Complex, 14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841
  - The Government Complex consist of grounds around and between the following buildings: Government Center, Pamplin, Pump House, Courthouse, Public Safety

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- and Information Technology Buildings. An aerial map is attached outlining the approximate boundary lines.
- Mowing / trimming, once a week
  - Edging as needed
  - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
  - Trimming all shrubs, trees, and rose bushes at the appropriately prescribed times of year and removal of debris. This includes the azaleas along the wood line behind the Pamplin Building.
  - The County will maintain all flowers to include pansies, monkey grass and other plants in the beds.
  - Mulching, once a year (March)
  - Applying fertilizer, twice a year (Spring and Fall)
  - Aerating and seeding grass areas with Blended Turf Type Fescue, once a year (Fall)
  - Leaf removal, once a year (Fall)
  - **Work at this location shall be conducted after 5 p.m. on Friday through sunset on Sunday only.**
- B. Historic Courthouse/Library, 14103 and 14101 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841
- Mowing / trimming, once a week
  - Edging as needed
  - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
  - Trimming all shrubs, trees, and bushes at the appropriately prescribed times of year and removal of debris.
  - The County will maintain all flowers to include pansies, monkey grass and other plants in the beds.
  - Mulching, once a year (March)
  - Applying fertilizer, twice a year (Spring and Fall)
  - Aerating and seeding grass areas with Blended Turf Type Fescue, once a year (Fall)
  - Leaf removal, once a year (Fall)
- C. Old Sheriff's Office, 14230 Sycamore Drive, Dinwiddie, VA 23841
- Mowing / trimming, once a week
  - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
  - Trimming all shrubs and bushes at the front of the building once a year and removal of debris.
- D. Eastside Enhancement Center, 7301 Boydton Plank Road, North Dinwiddie, VA 23803.
- Mowing / trimming general areas, once a week
  - Mowing / trimming athletic fields, once a week
  - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
  - Supply and spread 100 yards of playground mulch once every other year starting the Spring of 2023 or as needed. Mulch must be SoftOne® Safety Surface playground, no-splinter mulch or equivalent. Mulch must be certified by the International Play Equipment Manufacturers Association.
  - Supply and spread 14 ton of playground sand once a year as needed to refill the sandbox.
- E. House, 13814 Courthouse Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841
- Mowing / trimming, once a week
  - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
- F. Ragsdale Community Center, 20916 Old School Road, McKenney, VA 23872
- Mowing / trimming, once a week
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- Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.
  - G. McKenney Gym, 10207 Melvin B. Alsbrook Ave, McKenney, VA 23872
    - Mowing / trimming, once a week
    - Weeding and applying herbicides as needed.

### 3.2. General Specifications

- A. Work Hours: All work shall be conducted during daylight hours (defined as sunrise to no later than sunset). Work activities shall only take place when weather conditions permit. Work activities shall cease when weather conditions are considered by the County to be hazardous for working or for the traveling public.
  - Work at the Government Complex shall be conducted after 5 pm on Friday through sunset on Sunday only.
  - Work at all other locations shall be conducted Monday through Friday during the daylight hours.
- B. Upon award, Contractor shall provide the County a written maintenance schedule outlining recommended landscape maintenance for approval prior to beginning work.
- C. Contractor shall only use equipment with safety guards and shall practice safe operating procedures to properly protect the operator, bystanders and adjacent property from injury/damage.
- D. Contractor shall ensure all personnel and equipment comply with OSHA and VOSH standards as they apply to the work being done and not create hazardous conditions with the equipment used.
- E. Contractor's project supervisor must be onsite at all times and must be able to speak and understand English.
- F. Upon award, the Contractor shall, within ten (10) days obtain a Dinwiddie County Business License. The Contractor shall maintain a business license for each year the contract is renewed.

### 3.3. Grass Maintenance

- A. Mowing shall be completed during the months of March through November.
- B. Trimming shall be done around all bed edges, buildings, poles, posts and site fixtures with each mowing performance.
- C. Edging of all walks and curbs shall be done as needed with a mechanical "stick" edger with a metal blade except around asphalt surfaces which shall be completed with a weedeater to avoid damage to asphalt.
- D. Contractor shall control weeds in hard surface areas (walks, curbs and pavement) on a continuous basis throughout the growing season. This shall include any vegetation that is visibly present when the Contractor is on the property. If Contractor controls weeds by using a non-selective post emergent and/or pre-emergent herbicide, application shall be in accordance with the specifications in Section 3.6. below.
- E. Contractor shall determine, with approval from the County, the type of fertilizer to apply to achieve or maintain an aesthetic appearance.

### 3.4. Mulch Supply and Application Specifications

- A. Mulch material: Contractor shall supply and apply Grade A, double shredded hardwood bark mulch, one or more years old. The mulch shall be uniformly shredded, of uniform color and free of twigs, leaves, and materials injurious to plant growth. The use of shredded bark from

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- the American Elm (*Ulmus Americana*) will not be permitted. Prior to application, contractor shall provide a sample of mulch to the county's designated project representative. Unless otherwise specified, mulch shall be dyed black.
- B. Mulch application: Mulch shall be applied over all tree rings, shrub beds and groundcover areas one (1) time per year during the month of March. Prior to application, edging at beds, and tree rings shall be edged with a manual or mechanical edger to a neat vertical uniform line or "v" shaped trench to deter weed encroachment from adjacent areas. If existing mulch thickness is more than four (4) inches, Contractor shall remove existing mulch prior to mulching. Mulch shall be kept 3" away from trunks and stems of existing trees and shrubs. Fertilizer and pre-emergent herbicides shall be in place prior to mulching, if applicable.

### 3.5. Property Clean Up

- A. Contractor shall remove all paper, plastic, metal, trash or other debris including but not limited to accumulated leaves, fallen branches, or other material, from the site prior to each operation.
- B. All walks, pavements, and roadways shall be swept or blown clean upon completion of the day's work, and all debris resulting from the days work shall be removed from the site immediately upon completion of the day's work.
- C. Contractor shall remove all of its equipment, tools and automobiles from County locations following daily operations.
- D. Contractor shall not leave or dispose of any chemical, fertilizer, or herbicide on County's property following application.
- E. There will be no charge for dumping/disposing of leaves and debris if taken to the Dinwiddie County Main Convenience Center located at 10817 Wheelers Pond Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841.

### 3.6. Tree/Shrub Maintenance

- A. The schedule for pruning shall be in accordance with the Virginia Cooperative Extension calendars, for this area (Southeast Virginia), [www.ext.vt.edu](http://www.ext.vt.edu). See Shrub Pruning Calendar (Publication Number 430-462); Evergreen Tree Pruning Calendar (Publication Number 430-461); Deciduous Tree Pruning Calendar (Publication Number 430-460) and others as needed. Contractor shall prune most ornamental shrubs two (2) times per year in January/February with a light pruning in June/July if required. Spring bloom shrubs shall be pruned in late spring (approximately April/May) after they complete their bloom cycle.
- B. Contractor shall trim and prune all ornamental shrubs selectively with hand pruners and/or loppers to maintain size and allow them to grow in a natural state. Shearing of shrubs is prohibited. The initial shape-ups of shrubs may be accomplished using mechanical shears or loppers. During the initial shape-up of shrubs Contractor shall leave enough greenery on the shrubs so they maintain their aesthetic appearance.
- C. Contractor shall give special attention to boarder plantings. Pruning of these shrubs should not limit their effectiveness to shield utilities, fencing, etc. as applicable. However, Contractor shall perform pruning to maintain health, vigor, size and natural shape of the plant. No plant shall be reduced by more than 1/3.
- D. Contractor shall correctively prune deciduous trees up to 20' to remove damaged wood and rubbing branches one (1) time per year during the winter months of January, February or March, during the dormant plant season, in an effort to train and shape young or newly planted trees and to maintain their healthy state.

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- E. Contractor shall allow evergreen trees to grow in their natural form. Contractor pruning of evergreen trees shall consist of removal of dead, diseased, and damaged branches only. Any additional corrective pruning requires prior approval from the County's designated project representative.
  - F. Contractor shall prune all flowering trees only after their bloom cycles are complete.
  - G. Contractor shall prune Crape Myrtles only following prior approval from the County's designated project representative.

3.7. Weed Control of Plant Beds and Landscape Areas

- A. Chemical applications of pre-emergent herbicide and post-emergent herbicide by Contractor shall be made only by an individual currently certified with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a Certified Commercial Pesticide Applicator, Category 3.
- B. Contractor shall furnish all labels for chemicals being used in conjunction with this contract, and shall provide the County with MSDS sheets for all chemicals used.
- C. Contractor shall take full responsibility, without limitation, for the replacement of shrubs, trees, groundcovers, flowers and turf grass that have been damaged by improper application of herbicides by Contractor.
- D. Contractor shall weed ornamental shrub and flower beds, rock beds, and tree rings, on a continuous basis throughout the growing season to maintain a neat, weed free appearance at all times. This shall include any vegetation that is visibly present when the Contractor is on the property. Contractor shall perform weeding through use of pre-emergent herbicide prior to mulching and post-emergent herbicide and hand weeding on a continuous basis.
- E. Contractor shall not use herbicides with ingredients producing visible color or added coloring agents where staining of concrete, curbing, walkways or any other surface area can occur.

4. **PRE-BID CONFERENCE**

An optional pre-bid conference will be held Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the Government Center, 14010 Boydton Plank Road, Dinwiddie, VA 23841. The purpose of this conference is to allow potential bidders an opportunity to present questions and obtain clarification relative to any facet of this solicitation and ensure bidders have a clear understanding of the specifications/scope of work and requirements of this solicitation. Site visits will be done during the pre-bid conference. Non-attendance shall not preclude any individual or firm from submitting a bid for this project.

Bring a copy of the solicitation with you. Copies of the solicitation including specifications will not be available at this meeting. Any changes resulting from this conference will be issued in a written addendum to the solicitation.

5. **BID PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

5.1. General Instructions

- A. In order to be considered for selection, bidders must submit a complete response to this IFB in ONE of the following ways:
  - i. Hard Copy Submission:  
Submit one (1) hardcopy bid and one electronic copy via CD-ROM or USB Drive.



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Envelopes shall be marked with the following information:

- Name and Address of Bidder
- Due Date – April 4, 2022 at 2 p.m.
- IFB Number – IFB-22-030822
- IFB Title – Grounds Maintenance

The envelope should be addressed to:

Attn: Hollie Casey  
County of Dinwiddie  
14010 Boydton Plank Road  
P.O. Drawer 70  
Dinwiddie, Virginia 23841

If the bid is not marked with the above information, the bidder takes the risk that the envelope may be inadvertently opened and the information compromised which may cause the bid to be disqualified.

ii. Electronic Submission:

Electronic bid submissions are now accepted through Vendor Registry. Go to [www.dinwiddieva.us/purchasing](http://www.dinwiddieva.us/purchasing), click Current Solicitations, click the solicitation and click Submit Bid. You will be asked to login or register with Dinwiddie County in order to submit a bid.

No other distribution of the bid shall be made by the bidder. Electronic copies of the proposal shall be provided in a single file in PDF format, unless otherwise stated.

B. Bid submissions must include the following:

- Signature Sheet, Bid, References Sheet (Section 11)
- Signed Addenda, if applicable.
- Copy of VDACS Certification
- Copy of 2022 Business License, if applicable
- Completed W-9 Form
- Additional information, if applicable

Failure by Bidder to provide the above information with their bids shall render the bid non-responsive.

C. Bid shall be signed by an authorized representative of the bidder. Bids must give the full business address of the Bidder and be signed by him/her with his/her usual signature. Bids by partnerships must furnish the full name of all partners and must be signed in the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership or any authorized representative, followed by the designation of the person signing. Bids by corporations must be signed with the legal name of the corporation followed by the name of the State in which it is incorporated and by the signature and designation of the president, vice president, secretary, or other person authorized to bind it in the matter. The name of each person signing shall also be typed or printed below the signature. A bid by a person who affixes to the signature the word "President", "Vice President", "Secretary", "Agent" or other designation without

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- disclosing the principal, may be held to be the bid of the individual signing. When requested by the County, satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing on behalf of the corporation shall be furnished.
- D. As used in this IFB, the terms "must", "shall", "should" and "may" identify the criticality of requirements. "Must" and "shall" identify requirements whose absence will have a major negative impact on the suitability of the proposed solution. Items labeled as "should" or "may" are highly desirable, although their absence will not have a large impact and would be useful, but are not necessary. The inability of a Bidder to satisfy a "must" or "shall" requirement automatically removes that Bidder from consideration.
- E. All bids must be received at the proper location listed in this IFB and by the deadline time (Local Time Prevailing). Any bids received after the announced time and date for submittal, whether by mail, electronic submission, or otherwise, will be rejected. The time of receipt shall be determined solely by the County of Dinwiddie.
- The County is not responsible for any delay in delivery by USPS, UPS, FedEx or other delivery services. It is the responsibility of the bidder to see that proposals are received on time and in the proper location.
- F. By submitting a proposal, the Bidder agrees to the General and Special Terms and Conditions contained herein. Any exceptions shall be stated in the bid.

## 6. Acceptance of Bids / Award of Contract

### 6.1. Qualifications of Bidders

The Bidder shall have the following qualifications in order to be considered:

- Have and maintain a Commercial Pesticide Applicator Certification through the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS). Employees that are actually doing the work must at least be a Pesticide Registered Technician.
- Have satisfactory work experience of similar size and complexity or larger in the past two years.

During the bid evaluation process, the County may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder(s) to perform the services/furnish the goods and the Bidder(s) shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. The County reserves the right to inspect Bidder's physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Bidder's capabilities. The County further reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the County that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.

### 6.2. Ethics in Public Contracting

By submitting their bid, Bidders certify that their proposal is made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other Bidders, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their proposal, and that they have not

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conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.

The Bidder shall identify any actual or potential conflicts of interest that exist, or which may arise if the Bidder is recommended for award, and propose how such conflicts might be resolved.

By his/her signature on the proposal documents submitted, each Bidder attests that his/her agents and/or employees, to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, have not in any way colluded with anyone for and on behalf of the Bidder, or themselves, to obtain information that would give the Bidder an unfair advantage over others, nor has he/she colluded with anyone for and on behalf of the Bidder, or itself, to gain any favoritism in the award of this solicitation.

6.3. Tentative Award Schedule

Deadline for Questions	March 25, 2022
Bids Due	April 4, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
Bids Opened Publicly	April 4, 2022 at 2:15 p.m.
Notice of Intent to Award	April 8, 2022
Board of Supervisor Meeting	April 19, 2022
Award of Contract	April 20, 2022

6.4. Clarification of Terms

If any prospective bidder has questions about the specifications or other solicitation documents, the prospective bidder should contact the procurement agent whose name appears on the face of the solicitation **by e-mail no later than five working days before the due date**. Any revisions to the solicitation will be made only by written addendum issued which shall be posted on the County's website at <http://www.dinwiddieva.us>, on the Purchasing page.

6.5. Bid Acceptance Period

Any bid in response to this solicitation shall be valid for sixty (60) days. At the end of the sixty (60) days the bid may be withdrawn at the written request of the Bidder. If the bid is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is canceled.

6.6. Bid Prices

Bids shall be in the form of a unit prices. Bidder shall incorporate all overhead into their prices. This includes, but is not limited to, the following: all materials, equipment, labor, delivery, profit, administrative costs, insurance, permits, licensure, vehicle mileage, union pension funds, workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance, social security, etc. **NO ADDITIONAL COST WILL BE ALLOWED.**

6.7. Withdrawal or Modification of Bids

Bids may be withdrawn or modified prior to the deadline fixed for bid receipt. The withdrawal or modification may be made by the person signing the bid or by an individual(s) who is authorized by him/her on the face of the bid.

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**NO BID SHALL BE ALTERED OR AMENDED AFTER THE SPECIFIED TIME FOR OPENING.**

After the deadline fixed for bid receipt, a Bidder for a public contract may request withdrawal of his bid from consideration if the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor, or material made directly in the compilation of the bid and which unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. A Bidder shall give notice in writing of his claim of right to withdraw his bid within two business days after the conclusion of the bid opening procedure and shall submit original work papers with such notice. If a bid contains both clerical and judgment mistakes, a Bidder may request withdrawal of his bid from consideration if the price of the bid would have been substantially lower than the other bids due solely to the clerical mistake, that was an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of a bid and which shall be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. In order for work papers, documents and materials submitted with the notice of withdrawal to be deemed trade secret or proprietary information pursuant to Code of Virginia, subdivision F of Section 2.2-4342, a Bidder must expressly invoke the aforementioned statute in the notice of withdrawal and specifically state the reasons why protection under 2.2-4342-F is necessary.

**6.8. Receipt and Opening of Bids**

6.8.1. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to assure that his/her bid is delivered to the place designated for receipt of bids and prior to the time set for receipt of bids. Bids received after the time designated for receipt of proposals will not be considered or opened.

6.8.2. Bids, whether submitted hard copy or electronic, will be opened at the time and place stated in Section 1, and their contents made public for the information of Bidders and others interested who may be present either in person or by representative. The officer or agent of the County, whose duty it is to open them, will decide when the specified time has arrived. No responsibility will be attached to any officer or agent for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified.

6.8.3. The provisions of § 2.2-4342 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to the inspection of bids received.

6.8.4. In the event that the County of Dinwiddie offices are closed due to inclement weather and/or emergency situations prior to or at the time set aside for the published bid openings, the bid opening date will default to the next open business day at the same time.

**6.9. Award of Contract**

Award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible qualified bidder as provided on the Bid, Certification and Signature Sheet based on the Total Base Bid. The County solely reserves

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the right to reject any and all bids in whole or in part, to waive any informality, and to delete items prior to making an award.

6.10. Negotiation with the Lowest Bidder

Unless all bids are cancelled or rejected, the County reserves the right granted by § 2.2-4318 of the *Code of Virginia* to negotiate with the lowest responsive, responsible qualified Bidder to obtain a contract price within the funds available to the County whenever such low bid exceeds the County's available funds. For the purpose of determining when such negotiations may take place, the term "available funds" shall mean those funds which were budgeted by the County for this contract prior to the issuance of the written Invitation for Bids. Negotiations with the low qualified Bidder may include both modifications of the bid price and the Scope of Work/ Specifications to be performed. The County shall initiate such negotiations by written notice to the lowest responsive, responsible qualified Bidder that its bid exceeds the available funds and that the County wishes to negotiate a lower contract price. The times, places, and manner of negotiating shall be agreed to by the County and the lowest responsive, responsible qualified Bidder.

6.11. Announcement of Award

Following the decision to award a contract, the County will issue a written Notice of Intent to Award a Contract(s) or Notice of Award of a Contract(s) and post such announcement on the County's website at <http://www.dinwiddieva.us/purchasing>. Subject to the provisions of *Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4360*, any bidder who desires to protest the intent to award a contract(s) or award of a contract(s) shall submit such protest in writing to the attention of Hollie R. Casey, 14010 Boydton Plank Rd, P O Drawer 70, Dinwiddie VA 23841 ([hcasey@dinwiddieva.us](mailto:hcasey@dinwiddieva.us)) no later than ten (10) days after the announcement of the intent to award a contract(s) or award of a contract(s) (if no notice of intent to award was provided). Such protest shall be clearly identified as a protest and shall include the basis for the protest and the relief sought.

6.12. Term of Contract

Contract will be awarded to the successful Bidder for an initial period of twelve (12) months, with the option for renewals under the terms and conditions of the original contract for up to four (4) additional twelve (12) month periods, unless either party gives written notification to the other party sixty (60) days prior to expiration of the then-current term that they do not wish to renew. The contract(s) and any renewals of the contract(s) are subject to the availability of funds and annual appropriations by the Board of Supervisors. Price increases, if any, shall be in accordance with initial contract or negotiated at time of renewal.

6.13. Contract Documents

The contract entered into by the parties shall consist of the Invitation for Bids, the bid submitted by the Contractor; General Terms and Conditions, the Special Terms and Conditions; the specifications; the scope of services; and all modifications and addenda to the foregoing documents, all of which shall be referred to collectively as the Contract Documents.

All time limits stated in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the time for completion of the work, are of the essence of the contract.

Anything called for by one of the Contract Documents and not called for by the others shall be of like effect as if required or called for by all, except that a provision clearly designed to negate or

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alter a provision contained in one or more of the other Contract Documents shall have the intended effect.

The General Terms and Conditions shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the General Terms and Conditions, Special Terms and Conditions, and any Additional Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply.

6.14. Contractor Financial Stability

At any time if a Contractor fails to provide good any payment to the County or any State agencies for permits or other necessary requirements related to work described in this Invitation for Bids, the Contract shall be immediately cancelled.

6.15. Work Authorization

No work shall be performed under this contract until the Contractor has been issued a written Notice to Proceed and has been contacted by the Director of Public Works or such person or persons as authorized by the County. A list of authorized personnel will be provided to the successful Contractor. Any and all work performed without such approval shall be considered to be unauthorized work, will not be compensated for, and may be considered grounds for cancellation of contract.

6.16. Time of Performance

Contractor agrees to complete work based on the information in Section 3.1.

**7. REPORTING AND DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS**

7.1. County Contact

Once a contract has been awarded, all communication and documentation for the project shall be directly to the Project Manager: Mark Harrison, Assistant Director of Public Works, Dinwiddie County, (804) 469-4545, mharrison@dinwiddieva.us.

**8. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

8.1. Definitions

Whenever used in this solicitation or in the Contract Documents, the following terms have the meanings indicated, which are applicable to both the singular and plural and the male and female gender thereof:

8.1.1. **Bidder:** One who submits a response to this solicitation

8.1.2. **County:** The term "County" shall mean the County which is the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia through the governing body, the Board, or other agent with authority to execute the contract for the County. The County's agent is the official with the authority to sign the contract on behalf of the County.

8.1.3. **Contractor:** The person, firm or corporation with whom the County has entered into a contractual agreement and includes the plural number and the feminine gender when such are named in the contract as the Contractor.

8.1.4. **Defective:** An adjective which refers to work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or deficient, or does not conform to the Contract Documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspections, standard, test, or approval referred to in the Contract Documents, or has been damaged prior to final payment.

8.1.5. **Notice:** All written notices, demands, instructions, claims, approvals, and disapprovals required to obtain compliance with the contract requirements. Any written notice by either party to the contract shall be sufficiently given if delivered to or at the last known business address of the person, firm or corporation constituting the party to the contract, or to his, their or its authorized agent, representative or officer, or when enclosed in a postage prepaid envelope addressed to such last known business address and deposited in a United States mailbox.

8.1.6. **Provide:** Shall mean furnish and install ready for its intended use.

8.1.7. **Subcontractor:** An individual, partnership or corporation having a direct contract with the Contractor or with any other subcontractor for the performance of the work. It includes one who provides on-site labor but does not include one who only furnishes or supplies materials for the project.

## 8.2. Laws, Regulations, and Courts

- A. This procurement is governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act and the Dinwiddie County Purchasing Policies and Procedures.
- B. The Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and lawful orders of any public authority bearing on the performance of the work and shall give all notices required thereby.
- C. All solicitations or contracts issued by Dinwiddie County shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Jurisdiction and venue for any litigation arising out of or involving this agreement shall lie in the Circuit Court of the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia, and such litigation shall be brought only in such courts. The County and the Contractor are encouraged to resolve any issues in controversy arising from contractual dispute using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) procedures (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4366).

## 8.3. Taxes

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 58.1-609.1(4), the county is exempt from the payment of Virginia state sales and use taxes. Vendors should not include such taxes in invoices presented to the County for payment. State sales and use tax certificates of exemption, Form ST-12, will be issued upon request.

## 8.4. Anti-Discrimination Statement by County.

The County certifies that it shall not discriminate against any bidder, offeror or contractor because of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the bidder or offeror employs ex-offenders unless the County has made a written determination that employing ex-

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offenders on the specific contract is not in its best interest. If Contractor is a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4343.1E).

8.5. Anti-Discrimination Statement by Contractor.

- A. During the performance of the contract, the Contractor agrees to the following provisions.
- i. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - ii. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
  - iii. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
- B. The Contractor also agrees to include the provisions in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or Contractor.

8.6. Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of the contract knowingly employ unauthorized alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

8.7. Drug-Free Workplace.

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or Contractor.

For the purposes of this section, “drug-free workplace” means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation,



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possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

8.8. Authorization to Transact Business in the Commonwealth.

In order to contract with Dinwiddie County, contractors organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Code of Virginia, Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law. Pursuant to competitive negotiation, a bidder organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 shall include in its bid the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any bidder that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law shall include in its proposal a statement describing why the bidder is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder that fails to provide the required information shall not be awarded a contract unless a waiver of this requirement is granted by the County Administrator. Any business entity as described above that enters into a contract with a public body pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth to be revoked or cancelled at anytime during the contract. Dinwiddie County may void any contract with a business entity if that entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

8.9. Indemnification.

Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia and their officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or caused by the use of any materials, goods, or equipment of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor or any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, provided that such liability is not attributable to the sole negligence of the County or to failure of the County to use the materials, goods, infrastructure or equipment in the manner already and permanently described by the Contractor on the materials, goods, infrastructure or equipment delivered.

8.10. Insurance.

Contractor certifies that it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. If any subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers' compensation insurance in accordance with §§ 2.2-4332 and 65.2-800 et seq. of the Code of Virginia.

Contractor further certifies that the Contractor and any subcontractors will maintain this insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. Subcontractors, if any, will maintain similar insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract.

Minimum Insurance Coverage and Limits Required:

- a. Workers' Compensation - Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify the County of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the Code of Virginia during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract.

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- b. Employer's Liability - \$100,000.
  - c. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. The "County of Dinwiddie, Virginia, its Officers, agents, and employees" shall be added as additional insured on a primary basis and so endorsed on the policy. Such additional insured status shall be primary without participation by County's insurers.
  - d. Automobile Liability - \$1,000,000 combined single limit.
  - e. Professional Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

#### 8.11. Debarment Status.

The Contractor certifies that it is not currently debarred from submitting proposals or bids on contracts by any department, agency or political subdivision of (i) the Commonwealth of Virginia, (ii) any other state, or (iii) the federal government, nor is it an agent of any person or entity that is currently debarred from submitting bids or proposals on contracts by the same.

#### 8.12. Payment.

- A. Contractor shall provide the County with a complete and accurate IRS Form W-9.
  - B. Invoices for products/services ordered, delivered, and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor to Dinwiddie County Accounts Payable via email to [accounting@dinwiddieva.us](mailto:accounting@dinwiddieva.us) or via postal mail to P.O. Drawer 70, Dinwiddie, VA 23841.
  - C. Unless otherwise specified, any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after correct invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 days, however.
  - D. The preferred method of payment for invoices under \$5,000 is with a visa credit card. If the vendor accepts visa payments, they must do so without any fees.
  - E. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.
  - F. Date of payment is deemed to be (1) the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or (2) the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.
  - G. Unreasonable charges. Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, the county shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve the county of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges which are not in dispute (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4363).
  - H. The contractor is obligated to: (1) pay the subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the contractor's receipt of payment from the county for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the subcontractor(s) under the contract; or (2) notify the county and the subcontractor(s) within seven days, in writing of the contractor's intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.
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- I. The contractor is obligated to pay the subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on all amounts owed by the contractor that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt by the contractor of payments from the county, except for amounts withheld as states in section g above.
  - J. These provisions apply to each sub-tier contractor performing under the primary contractor. A contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor shall not be construed to be an obligation of the County. A contract modification shall not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for the interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim shall not include any amount for reimbursement for the interest charge.

8.13. Availability of Funds.

It is understood and agreed between the parties that the County shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available, or which may hereafter become available. The contract will be contingent upon annual appropriations by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County. Failure of the Board of Supervisors to appropriate adequate funds for the terms of the contract shall result in the immediate cancellation of the contract. There shall be no penalty should the Board fail to make annual appropriations for the contract.

8.14. Assignment of Contract.

A contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the County.

8.15. Default.

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to make sure that all work is adequately completed as required. In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, the County, after five (5) days have passed from the date of delivery of written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which the County may have.

8.16. Changes to the Contract.

All contract modifications must be approved by the Dinwiddie County Administrator or his designee. The County will not assume responsibility for the cost of any changes made without proper consent. No fixed-price contract may be increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) or \$50,000, whichever is greater, without advance approval of the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors.

Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:

- A. The parties may agree in writing to modify the terms, conditions, or scope of the contract. Any additional goods or services to be provided shall be of a sort that is ancillary to the contract goods or services, or within the same broad product or service categories as were included in the contract award. Any increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract.
- B. The County may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the Contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place

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of delivery or installation. The Contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt, unless the Contractor intends to claim an adjustment to compensation, schedule, or other contractual impact that would be caused by complying with such notice, in which case the Contractor shall, in writing, promptly notify the County of the adjustment to be sought, and before proceeding to comply with the notice, shall await the County's written decision affirming, modifying, or revoking the prior written notice. If the County decides to issue a notice that requires an adjustment to compensation, the Contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give the County a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:

- i. By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
- ii. By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the Contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the County's right to audit the Contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or
- iii. By ordering the Contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The Contractor shall present the County with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. The County shall have the right to audit the records of the Contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to the County within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from the County. Neither the existence of a claim nor a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this contract shall excuse the Contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the County or with the performance of the contract generally.

#### 8.17. Termination of Contract.

##### A. Termination for Cause.

- i. If the Contractor should be adjudged as bankrupt, or if he should make a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of his insolvency, the County may terminate the contract. If Contractor violates any provision of the Virginia Governmental Fraud Act, the County may terminate the contract. If the Contractor should persistently or repeatedly refuse or should fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper materials, or if he should fail to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers of material or labor, or persistently disregards laws, ordinances, or the written instructions of the County, or otherwise be guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of the contract, then the County may terminate the contract. The County retains the sole discretion to determine any violation of this section.
- ii. Prior to termination of the contract, the County shall give the Contractor and his surety ten (10) calendar days written notice, during which the Contractor and/or his surety may rectify the cause of the termination. If rectified to the satisfaction of the County within said ten (10) days, the County may rescind its notice of termination. If it does not, the termination for cause shall become effective at the end of the ten-day (10) notice period. In the alternative, the County may postpone the effective date of the

termination notice, at its sole discretion, if it should receive reassurances from the Contractor and/or its surety that the causes of termination will be remedied in a time and manner which the County finds acceptable. If at any time more than ten (10) days after the notice of termination, the County determines that Contractor and/or its surety has not or is not likely to rectify the causes of termination in an acceptable manner or within the time allowed, then the County may immediately terminate the contract for cause by giving written notice to the Contractor and its surety. This decision shall be final and not subject to an appeal to any court of law or equity. In no event shall termination for cause terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

- iii. Notice of terminations, whether initial or given after a period of postponement, may be served upon the Contractor and the surety by mail or any other means at their last known places of business in Virginia or elsewhere, by delivery to any officer or management/supervisory employee of either wherever they may be found, or, if no such officer, employee or place of business is known or can be found by reasonable inquiry within three (3) days, by posting the notice at the job site. Failure to accept or pick up registered or certified mail addressed to the last known address shall be deemed to be delivery.
- iv. Upon termination of the contract, the County shall take possession of its property and of all materials, tools, and appliances thereon and finish the work by whatever method the County may deem expedient. In such case, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment. If the expense of finishing the work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative services shall exceed the unpaid balance of the contract price, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the County, together with any other expenses of terminating the contract and having it completed by others.
- v. Termination of the contract under this section is without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the County.

#### B. Termination for Convenience

- i. County may terminate this contract at any time without cause, in whole or in part, upon giving the Contractor notice of such termination. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall immediately cease work and remove from the project site all of its labor forces and such of its materials as County elects not to purchase or to assume in the manner hereinafter provided. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall take such steps as County may require to assign to the County the Contractor's interest in all subcontracts and purchase orders designated by County. After all such steps have been taken to County's satisfaction, the Contractor shall receive as full compensation for termination and assignment the following:
  - All amounts then otherwise due under the terms of this contract as of the latest request for payment,
  - Amounts due for work performed subsequent to the latest request for payment through the date of termination, and
  - Reasonable compensation for the actual cost of demobilization incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination. The Contractor shall not be

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entitled to any compensation for lost profits or for any other type of contractual compensation or damage other than those provided by the preceding sentence. Upon payment of the forgoing, County shall have no further obligations to the Contractor of any nature.

- ii. In no event shall termination for the convenience of the County terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

8.18. Contractual Disputes.

Disputes and claims arising under this agreement shall be processed pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4363.

8.19. Audit.

The contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment from the County, or until audited by the County, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or state auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.

8.20. Patents, Copyright and Trademark.

The Contractor shall obtain all licenses necessary to use any invention, article, appliance, process, or technique of whatever kind and shall pay all royalties and license fees. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, hold and save harmless the County, its officers, agents, and employees, from any loss or liability for or on account of such infringement.

8.21. COVID-19.

The Contractor is required to adhere in all respects to all federal, state, and local COVID-19 regulations, including, but not limited to, Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Virginia, the rules promulgated by the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry ("DOLI Rules"), and the Dinwiddie County Infectious Disease (COVID-19) Preparedness and Response Plan (the "Required Local Plan"). The Contractor acknowledges it will comply with the documents set forth on Dinwiddie County's Purchasing Page, which can be found at [www.dinwiddieva.us/Purchasing](http://www.dinwiddieva.us/Purchasing) including any changes that may be made to such documents in the future. In the event of conflict between COVID-19 provisions, the strictest provision shall govern. Without limiting the foregoing, the Contractor shall abide by the following:

- A. Sick and Exposed Persons to Stay at Home. Pursuant to the DOLI Rules and the Required Local Plan, employees or other persons associated with the Contractor who are known or suspected to be infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus or who live with or have had close contact with individuals who have had COVID-19 symptoms or signs in the last 14 days shall be sent home, stay home, and stay away from the work site until they are cleared to return to work as set forth in the DOLI Rules or, in the case of exposed persons, the rules for return to work shall be the same as those for County employees in the Required Local Plan. Symptoms and signs of COVID-19 include the following: unexplained cough, fever (100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher) or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, bluish lips or face, unexplained nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. Other unexplained symptoms could also be an indication of COVID-19.

- B. Notice to County Required of Positive COVID-19 Tests at County Government Sites. Pursuant to the DOLI Rules and the Required Local Plan, the Contractor is required by law to advise the County within 24 hours in the event that an employee of the Contractor or someone associated with the Contractor who was present at a place of employment owned or operated by the Dinwiddie County Government tests positive for COVID-19. All such reports of positive COVID-19 tests shall be made to Crystal Spain, Director of Human Resources at (804) 469-4500, extension 2161.
- C. Subcontractors. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that its subcontractors comply with all the foregoing requirements.

## 9. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### 9.1. Use of Premises and Removal of Debris

#### 9.1.1. The Contractor shall:

- (1) Perform his contract in such a manner as not to interrupt or interfere with the operation of any existing activity on the premises or with the work of any Contractor;
- (2) Store his apparatus, materials, supplies, and equipment in such orderly fashion at the site of the work as will not unduly interfere with the progress of his work or the work of any other contractor; and
- (3) Place upon the work or any part thereof only such loads as are consistent with the safety of that portion of the work.

9.1.2. The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through his subcontractor(s), to clean up frequently all refuse, rubbish, scrap materials, and debris caused by his operations, to the end that at all times the site of the work shall present a neat, orderly, and workmanlike appearance. No such refuse, rubbish, scrap material, and debris shall be left within the completed work nor buried on the construction site, but shall be removed from the site and properly disposed of in a licensed landfill or otherwise as required by law. Contractor shall keep in conformance with the County's solid waste ordinance.

9.1.3. During and at completion of the work, the Contractor shall prevent site soil erosion, the runoff of silt and/or debris carrying water from the site, and the blowing of debris off the site in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of the *Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook*, latest edition, and of the Contract Documents.

### 9.2. Protection of Persons and Property

9.2.1. The Contractor expressly undertakes, both directly and through its subcontractor(s), to take every precaution at all times for the protection of persons and property which may come on the construction site or be affected by the Contractor's operation in connection with the work.

9.2.2. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the work.

- 9.2.3. The provisions of all rules and regulations governing safety as adopted by the Safety Codes Commission of the Commonwealth of Virginia, VDOT, and as issued by the Department of Labor and Industry under Title 40.1 of the *Code of Virginia* shall apply to all work under this contract.
- 9.2.4. The Contractor shall continuously maintain adequate protection of all his work from damage and shall protect the County's property from injury or loss arising in connection with this contract. He shall make good any such damage, injury, or loss, except such as may be directly due to errors in the Contract Documents or caused by agents or employees of the County. He shall adequately protect adjacent property to prevent any damage to it or loss of use and enjoyment by its owner(s). He shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights, and other facilities for protection required by public authority, local conditions, any of the Contract Documents or erected for the fulfillment of his obligations for the protection of persons and property. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for any loss of material resulting from theft, malfeasance, employee sabotage or other criminal acts.
- 9.2.5. In an emergency affecting the safety or life of persons or of the work, or of the adjoining property, the Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the County, shall act, at his discretion, to prevent such threatened loss or injury. Also, should he, to prevent threatened loss or injury, be instructed or authorized to act by the County, he shall so act immediately, without appeal. Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of any emergency work shall be determined as provided by the General Terms and Conditions.

9.3. Work Site Damages

Any damage to existing utilities, equipment, finished surfaces, or property resulting from the performance of this contract shall be repaired to the County's satisfaction at the Contractor's expense and the Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless of any action resulting from such damage to the existing utilities, equipment, finished surfaces or property.

9.4. Guarantee of Work - Warranty of Materials and Workmanship

9.4.1. Except as otherwise specified, all work shall be guaranteed by the Contractor against defects resulting from the use of inferior materials, equipment, installation or workmanship for one (1) year from the date of final acceptance of the entire project by the County in writing. Should any defect be noted by the County, the County will notify the Contractor of such defect or non-conformance. Notification will state either (1) that the Contractor shall replace or correct the deficiency, or (2) the County does not require replacement or correction, but an equitable adjustment to the contract price will be determined by the County and shall be binding upon the Contractor. If the Contractor is required to correct or replace the deficiency, it shall be at no cost to the County and shall be subject to all provisions of this clause to the same extent as materials/work initially delivered/completed. If the Contractor fails or refuses to replace or correct the deficiency, the County may have the materials/work corrected or replaced with similar items and charge the Contractor the costs occasioned thereby or obtain an equitable adjustment in the contract price as determined by the County.



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- 9.4.2. The Contractor warrants that, unless otherwise specified, all materials and equipment incorporated in the work under the contract shall be new, in first class condition, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor further warrants that all workmanship shall be of the highest quality and in accordance with Contract Documents and shall be performed by persons qualified at their respective trades.
- 9.4.3. Work not conforming to these warranties shall be considered defective.
- 9.4.4. This warranty of materials and workmanship is separate and independent from and in addition to any of the Contractor's other guarantees or obligations in this contract.
- 9.4.5. If, within the guarantee period, defects are noticed by the County which require repairs or changes in connection with the guaranteed work, those repairs or changes being in the opinion of the County rendered necessary as the result of the use of materials, equipment or workmanship, which are defective, or inferior or not in accordance with the terms of the contract, then the Contractor shall, promptly upon receipt of notice from the County, such notice being given not more than two weeks after the guarantee period expires, and without expense to the County:
- (1) Place in satisfactory condition in every particular all of such guaranteed work and correct all defects therein;
  - (2) Make good all damage to the structure, site, equipment, or contents thereof, which is the result of the use of materials, equipment, or workmanship which are inferior, defective, or not in accordance with the terms of the contracts; and
  - (3) Make good any work, materials, equipment, contents of structures, and/or disturbance of the site in fulfilling any such guarantee.
- 9.4.6. In any case, where in fulfilling the requirements of the contract or any guarantee embraced in or required thereby, the Contractor disturbs any work guaranteed under contract, he shall restore such work to a condition satisfactory to the County and guarantee such restored work to the same extent as it was guaranteed under such other contract.
- 9.4.7. If the Contractor, after notice, fails to proceed promptly to comply with the terms of the guarantee, the County may have the defects corrected and the Contractor and his surety shall be liable for all expense incurred.
- 9.4.8. All special guarantees applicable to definite parts of the work that may be stipulated in the specifications or other papers forming a part of the contract shall be subject to the term of this section during the first year of the life of such special guarantee.
- 9.4.9. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to any other obligation which the Contractor might have under the Contract Documents, including but not limited to, liability for defective work under this Warranty of Materials and Workmanship section of these Additional Terms and Conditions. This paragraph relates only to the specific obligation of the Contractor contained in this section to correct the work and does not limit the time within which his obligation to comply with
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the Contract Documents may be sought to be enforced, nor of the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish the Contractor's liability with respect to his other obligations under this contract.

9.4.10. In the event the work of the Contractor is to be modified by another contractor, either before or after the final inspection, the first Contractor shall remain responsible in all respects under the guarantee of work and under any other warranties provided in the contract or by law. However, the Contractor shall not be responsible for any defects in material or workmanship introduced by the contractor modifying its work. Both the first Contractor and the contractor making the modifications shall each be responsible solely for the work done by each. The contractor modifying the earlier work shall be responsible for any damage to or defect introduced into the work which he is modifying. If any contractor shall claim that another contractor has introduced defects of materials and/or workmanship into the work of the first, it shall be the burden of the contractor making the claim to clearly demonstrate the nature and extent of such introduced defects and the responsibility of the other contractor. Any contractor modifying the work of another shall have the same burden if he asserts defects to have been caused by the contractor whose work he is modifying.

9.5. Additional Users/Cooperative Procurement

This procurement is being conducted under the provisions of Section 2.2-4304 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA), "Cooperative Procurement". As stated, a public body may purchase from another public body's contract even if it did not participate in the Request For Proposals (RFP) or Invitation for Bids (RFP), if the RFP or RFP specified that the procurement was being conducted on behalf of other public bodies.

If authorized by the Bidder, the resultant contract may be extended to any jurisdiction/public body within the Commonwealth of Virginia to purchase at contract prices in accordance with contract terms. It is the Bidder's responsibility to notify the jurisdiction/public bodies of the availability of contract(s). Bidders desiring to offer to other jurisdictions/public bodies under this clause shall so indicate in their response.

9.6. Testing and Inspection

The County reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications. All products and services provided shall be in compliance/ accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. If seasonal limitations prevent performance of any required testing of the product, the warranty period for such equipment shall begin after the tests have been successfully performed.

**10. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – Aerial pictures of property boundaries.

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**11. SIGNATURE SHEET, BID AND REFERENCES**

11.1. Signature

I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same material, equipment or services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of Virginia Governmental Fraud Act and Federal Law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid for the Bidder.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (type or print): \_\_\_\_\_

Official Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

FIN or SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

DPOR License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all subcontractors, if any:

*Company Name, Address*

*License #*

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11.2. Bid

Successful Bidder shall furnish all labor, supervision, equipment, tools, materials, and all else necessary, to perform services for the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia (hereinafter referred to as the “County”), at the prices provided below, as follows:

Item #	Description	Price per unit*	Qty per yr	Total Price
<b>Government Complex</b>				
1.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
2.	Trimming Shrubs, Bushes, and Trees	\$	2	\$
3.	Mulching	\$	1	\$
4.	Applying Fertilizer	\$	2	\$
5.	Aerating and Seeding	\$	1	\$
6.	Remove Leaves	\$	1	\$
Subtotal for Government Complex (Items 1-6)				\$
<b>Historic Courthouse / Library</b>				
7.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
8.	Trimming Shrubs, Bushes, and Trees	\$	2	\$
9.	Mulching	\$	1	\$
10.	Applying Fertilizer	\$	2	\$
11.	Aerating and Seeding	\$	1	\$
12.	Remove Leaves	\$	1	\$
Subtotal for Historic Courthouse / Library (Items 7-12)				\$
<b>Old Sheriff's Office</b>				
13.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
14.	Trimming Shrubs, Bushes, and Trees	\$	1	\$
Subtotal for Off Sheriff's Office (Items 13-14)				\$

<b>Eastside Enhancement Center</b>				
15.	Mowing / trimming of general areas	\$	36	\$
16.	Mowing / trimming of athletic fields	\$	72	\$
17.	Supply and spread playground mulch	\$	1	\$
18.	Supply and spread playground sand	\$	1	\$
Subtotal for Eastside Enhancement Center (Items 15-18)				\$
<b>House</b>				
19.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
<b>Ragsdale Community Center</b>				
20.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
<b>McKenney Gym</b>				
21.	Mowing grass, trimming, edging, and weeding	\$	36	\$
<i>*Unit shall be defined as per occurrence</i> Grand Total (Items 1-21)				\$

11.3. Equipment and Tools

In the space provided below, Bidders shall indicate the number and types of equipment, automobiles, and tools Bidder has to perform the services specified herein. Use additional pages as needed.

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11.4. State Corporation Commission Registration

**Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) registration information. The Bidder:**

is a corporation or other business entity with the following SCC identification number: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR-**

is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the bidder in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from bidder's out-of-state location) **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid an opinion of legal counsel which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned bidder's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia.

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** >> Check the following box if you have not completed any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for bids (the Commonwealth reserves the right to determine in its sole discretion whether to allow such waiver):

11.5. References

Bidders shall supply three (3) references that list a brief description of the same type of work and requirements for area(s) of similar size or larger, satisfactorily completed with dates of service or contract period, location, names, addresses, and phone numbers of Owners. Bidders shall only indicate references they have worked with in the past two (2) years. A separate page of references is acceptable if needed for additional space.

Reference #1

Name of County, City, Agency or Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact with Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Types of services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contract Dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Reference #2

Name of County, City, Agency or Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact with Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Types of services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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Contract Dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Reference #3

Name of County, City, Agency or Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact with Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Types of services provided: \_\_\_\_\_

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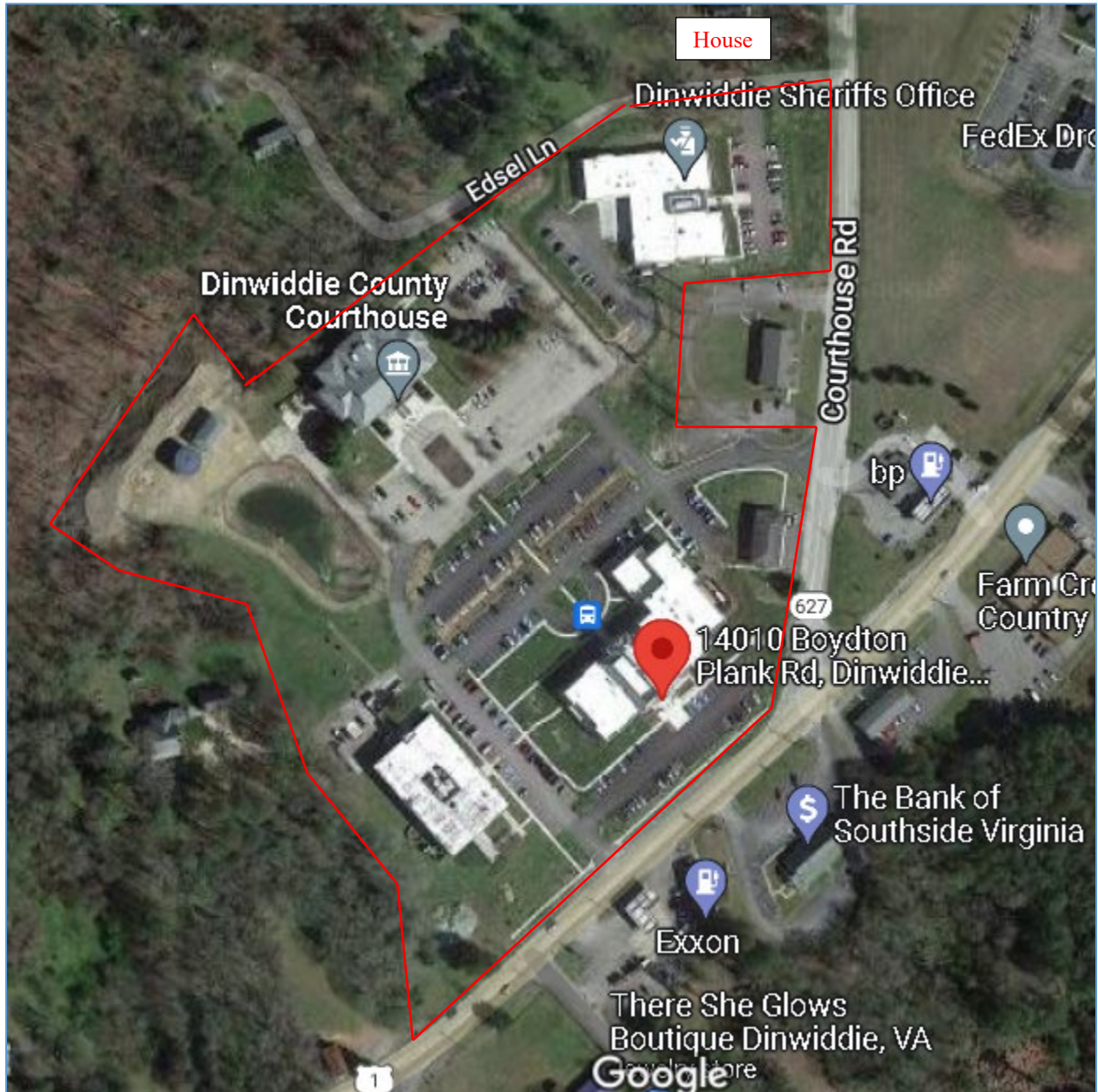
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Contract Dates: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACHMENT A  
Aerial Pictures of Property Boundaries

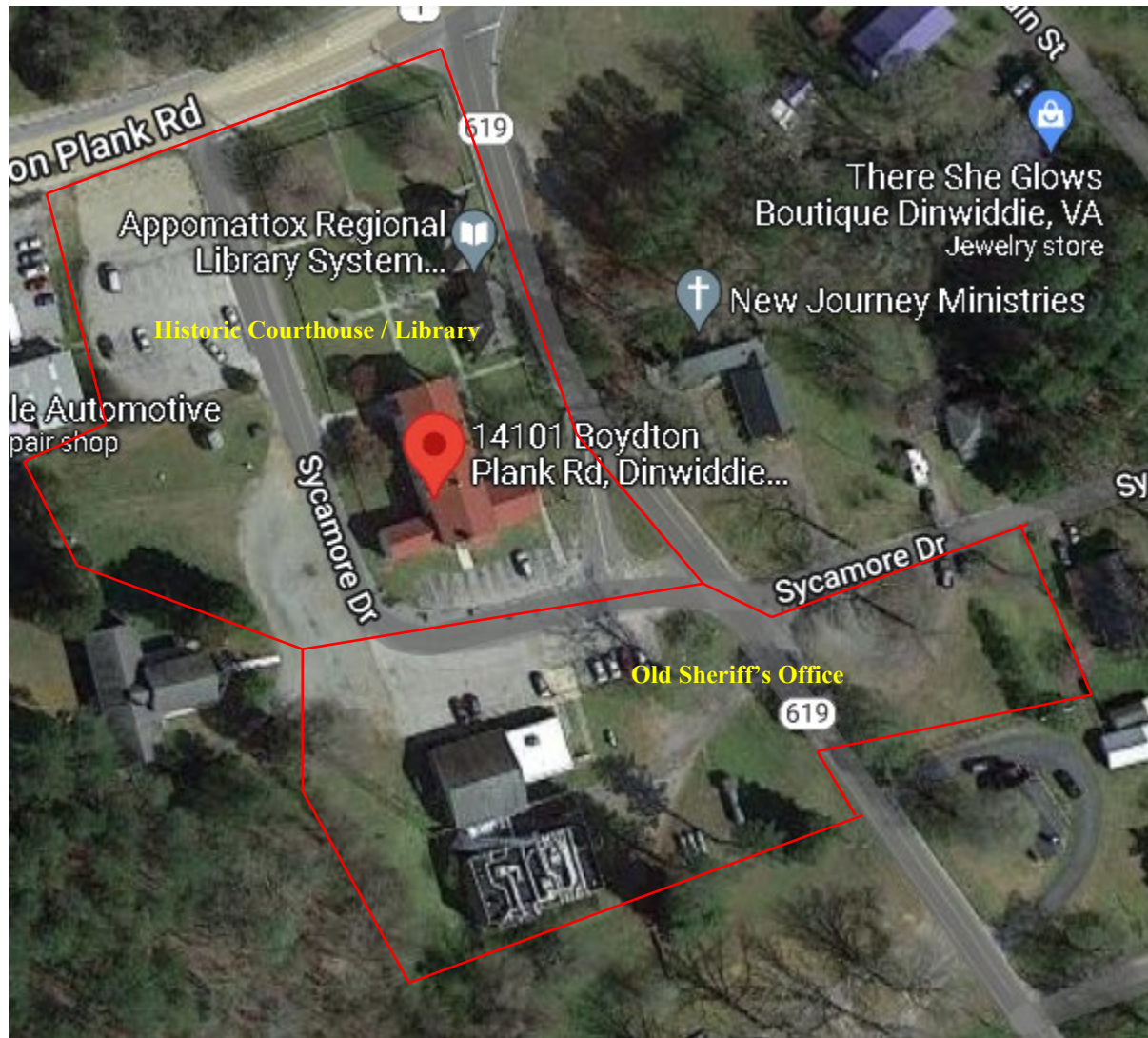
*Note: These images are not exact property boundaries. They should be used to get a general idea of where work needs to be completed.*

Government Complex

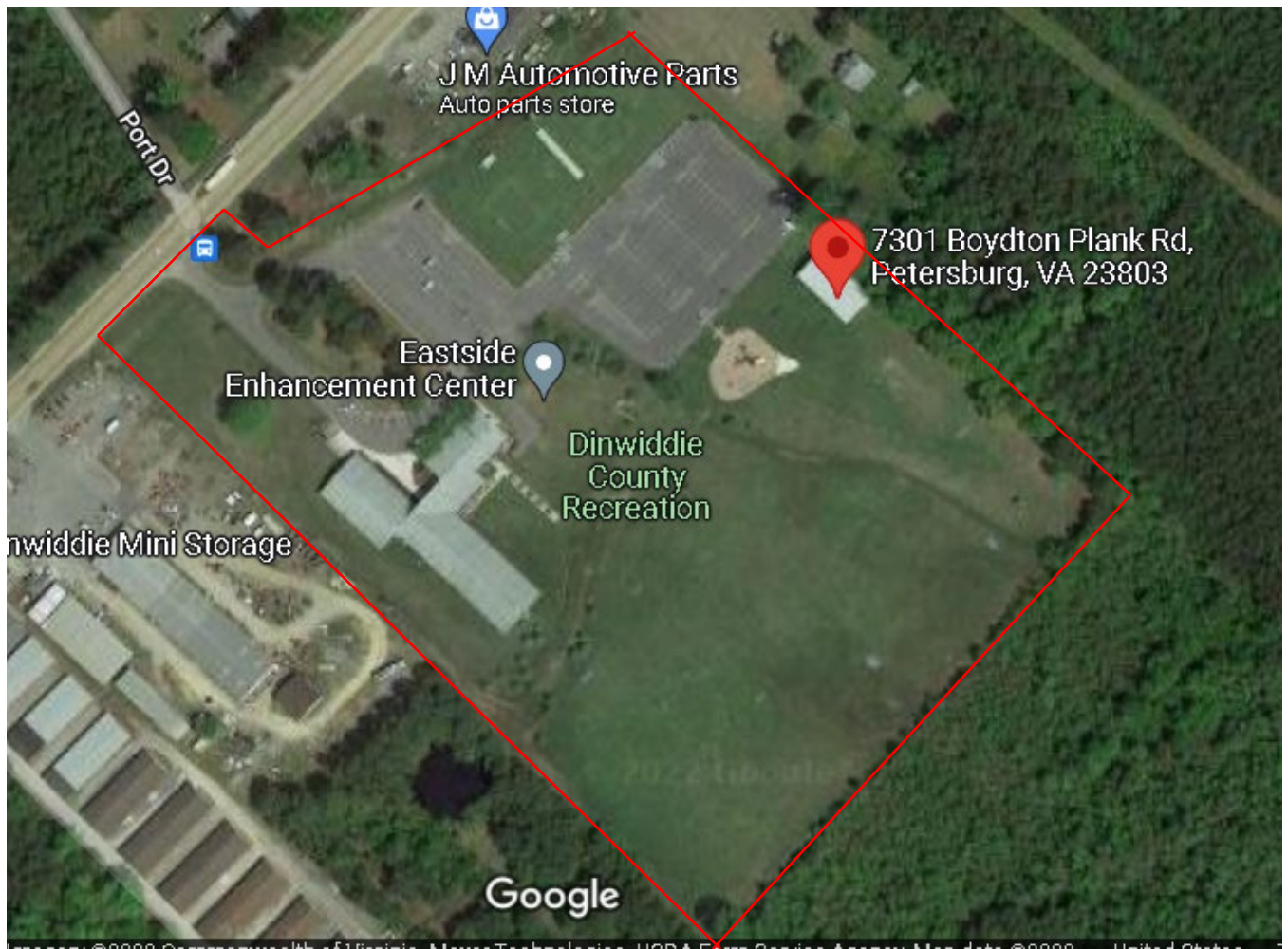




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Eastside Enhancement Center



House





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McKenney Gym

