



ESCAMBIA COUNTY
WASTE SERVICES
GROUNDSKEEPING FOR THE PALAFOX TRANSFER STATION
SCOPE OF WORK

Scope of Services:

The work specified consists of routine mowing/trimming of grassed and vegetated areas at the Palafox Transfer Station. The work also consists of the pick up, removal and disposal of litter and otherwise undesirable or objectionable appearing debris from within the mowing/trimming areas.

Description:

Contractor to provide typical mowing and trimming service for Waste Services (the Department) at the Palafox Transfer Station during the typical growing season. Work consists of routine mowing/trimming of grass and/or vegetation on site with conventional mowing/trimming equipment. Vegetation consists of planted and or natural grasses, weeds and other vegetation within the area to be mowed. The Contractor shall furnish insurance as required by County Resolution R2006-169.

Frequency of Mowing/Trimming:

The area and limits of mowing and trimming have been previously established. The Contractor shall mow and trim up to the limits maintained by the Department.

Note: Extreme weather conditions (wet or dry), which influence vegetation growth, may impact total number of mow/trim cycles per year.

Waste Services shall determine estimated number of acres to be accomplished within a specified number of calendar days for each site, when to begin each mowing cycle and the total number of cycles.

Upon completion of each service cycle, Contractor is to invoice Waste Services. Prior to paying the invoice, the Department representative will inspect work and notify the Contractor if the work has not been completed as per contract.

Equipment:

All mowing equipment shall be equipped with slow moving vehicle sign located on the rear of the tractor, amber flashing light or white strobe light mounted on the tractor and operating, protective devices on mowers and trimmers to prevent objects from being thrown, and safety devices installed by the manufacturer. Safety devices shall be properly installed and maintained at all times the equipment is in use.

If the Department determines that any equipment is deficient in safety devices, the Contractor shall remove the equipment from service immediately and the equipment shall remain out of service until the deficiency is corrected to the satisfaction of the Department. Inspection of the Contractor's equipment by the Department shall not relieve the Contractor of responsibility or liability for injury to persons or damage to

property caused by the operation of the Contractor's equipment, nor will it relieve the Contractor of the responsibility to meet the established time for completion of the mowing cycle.

Mowing and trimming equipment shall be maintained so as to produce a clean, sharp cut at all times. The Contractor shall furnish sufficient resources to accomplish the work satisfactorily within the specified cycle time.

Method of Operation:

Each cutting cycle is to be completed in its entirety prior to beginning another cycle. When work by County forces, other Contractors or weather conditions prevent the Contractor from cutting any areas, and such conditions are eliminated during the period designated for that mowing cycle, the Department may require the Contractor to cut these areas as part of the cycle without penalty for exceeding the time allowed or additional compensation.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the pick up, removal and disposal of any large items such as wood, bags of trash, litter, etc. that would be torn, ripped or scattered by the mower and result in an objectionable appearance within the area to be mowed or trimmed. The Contractor shall exercise the necessary care to preclude any source of litter by the Contractor's operation. All work to be performed during daylight hours.

Quality:

All grass and vegetation shall be cut to a minimum height of two (2) inches and a maximum of three (3) inches. No streaking or scalping shall be allowed in the areas mowed. Negligence by the Contractor which results in property damage public or private shall be repaired or replaced by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Department at no additional cost to the Department. Repairs or replacement should be completed prior to the submission of the Contractor's invoice for work accomplished during the cycle. The Contractor is responsible for complying with Department's Personal Protective Equipment Policy while performing work for the Department. Policy can be obtained from Waste Services.

Final Acceptance for payment:

Waste Services reserves the right to withhold payment for services if the Department has reasonable doubt as to the integrity of any part of the completed work prior to final acceptance. The Department will not allow payment until the Contractor has remedied the work to the satisfaction of the Department. The Department reserves the right to cancel contract if due diligence is not provided to satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this contract.