

#### CITY OF CONROE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR QUOTES

Quotes shall be clearly marked <u>"Trees for MP Clark Roadway Project Quote"</u> and e-mailed to the attention of the Engineering Project Specialist, Brandy Taylor btaylor@cityofconore.org.

Date: <u>March 2, 2018</u>

Bids will be received until: 2:00 P.M. on March 16, 2018

For: Conroe Engineering Department

ITEM NO.	QTY.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	SPECIFIED DELIVERY DATE	
1	275	Loblolly Pine Trees, 2-3 inch caliper, 6-8 feet tall INCLUDING DELIVERY	\$	\$		
NOTE: DELIVER to the intersection of Nobel Pines and MP Clark Road.						

**Company Name** 

#### CITY OF CONROE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSER - - - - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- 1. The City of Conroe, Tax No. 74-6000-555 is exempt from all Federal Excise Taxes. Do not include tax in your bid price or invoice. Taxable items must be so designated, and the City will supply contractor with Tax Exemption Certificate, properly executed. Prices should be itemized.
- 2. The City of Conroe will pay for articles or services purchased under this bid within thirty (30) days after due and proper delivery or performance of service is made and accompanied by an invoice.
- 3. This purchasing contract is subject to the attached **Purchasing Terms and General Conditions**.
- 4. In case of discrepancy between the unit price and the extension price, the unit price will be taken.

#### 5. ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SIGNED BY HAND.

The undersigned hereby offers to furnish and deliver the articles or services as specified above at the prices and terms there stated and in strict accordance with the specifications and general conditions of bidding, all of which are made a part of this offer. This offer is not subject to withdrawal.

Delivery can be made:	Cash	Cash Discounts		Days
Names of Business:				
Mailing Address:				
City	State	Zip _		
By:	Title			
Phone:	E-mail Address:			

# CITY OF CONROE

#### 1. <u>Introduction and Summary of Work:</u>

The purpose of this "Request for Quotations" is to obtain offers from a qualified proposer concerning trees for the MP Clark Roadway Project located in Conroe, Texas.

#### 2. **Questions and Inquiries:**

Information about this proposal or to visit site should be directed to:

Purchasing Questions:	Project Questions:
Kristina Colville	Brandy Taylor, Engineering
Kristilla Colville	Project Specialist
kcolville@cityofconroe.org	btaylor@cityofconroe.org

#### 3. <u>Pre Quote Meeting:</u>

NA

#### 4. <u>Submission of Quotes:</u>

The Quote shall be *CLEARLY MARKED* "Trees for MP Clark Roadway Project **Quote**" and submitted by e-mail to the address below by the time and date set fourth.

Due Date: Friday March 16, 2018 @ 2:00 PM

E-Mailing Address: btaylor@cityofconroe.org

#### 5. <u>Reservations:</u>

The City of Conroe reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotes as a result of this request, to negotiate with all qualified sources, or to cancel in part or in it's entirety, this Quote Request if found in the best interest of the City. All proposals and associated materials received with your response will become the property of the City of Conroe and will be returned at the discretion of the City.

The Laws of the State of Texas, County of Montgomery, and the City of Conroe, with any Rules and Regulations issued, prevail with regard to any contract documents, possible terms and conditions, arbitration or litigation.

#### 6. <u>Owner:</u>

The City reserves the right to award parts of bids, reject any or all bids and to waive technical irregularities in bidding. Contract award will be made on the basis of the lowest qualified responsible bidder or the bidder who provides the goods and services at the best value for the City, considering the evaluation selection criteria below. No bid may be withdrawn before 90 days after submittal.

# 7. <u>Bidders:</u>

Bidders desiring Purchasing information or document interpretation must request such information or interpretation from the Purchasing Department. Should a Bidder discover a discrepancy or an omission in the plans or specifications, he should at once notify the Purchasing Department so that an addendum can be issued. No explanation or interpretation other than an addendum issued by the City will be considered official or binding.

#### 8. <u>Bid Evaluation and Award:</u>

The bid award will be made on the basis of *Texas Local Government Code Section* **252.043.** This section allows the City of Conroe to develop and apply award evaluation criteria for procurement in order to obtain goods or services that provide the *best value* to the City. Under these guidelines, a vendor is not automatically awarded a bid simply because they submit the lowest bid response. In the event that the selected bidder fails to enter into agreement to provide the goods or services which are the subject of this invitation the City retains the right to award the bid to the next qualified bidder.

#### 9. <u>Communications:</u>

The City of Conroe shall not be responsible for any verbal communication between any representative of the City and any potential firm. All modifications to this solicitation must be made in writing. A proposer's failure to examine relevant documents or specifications will not relieve proposer from any obligation with regard to their response to this invitation.

#### 10. <u>Substitutions:</u>

Where equipment are specified by a trade or brand name, it is not the intention of the City to discriminate against an equal product of another manufacturer, but to set a definite standard of quality or performance, and to establish an equal basis for the evaluation of bids. In preparing his bid, each bidder is expected to include in his base bid the cost of the items so specified.

# 11. <u>Default:</u>

The City reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately for failure to meet delivery or completion schedules, or otherwise perform in accordance with the general conditions of this proposal.

#### 12. <u>References:</u>

The City of Conroe may request bidders to supply, with this Invitation to Quote, a list of at least five (5) references where like services have been supplied by their firm. Include name of firm, contact person, address, telephone number and fax number. *The low bidder may be required to furnish Bid Bonds and Performance and Payment Bonds depending on references, reputation and State Laws and price threshold.* 

#### 13. <u>Submission of Quotes:</u>

It is the bidder's responsibility to submit his quote at the proper time to the proper email address.

#### 14. <u>Corrections:</u>

Erasures or other corrections in the proposal must be noted over with the proposer's initials.

#### 15. <u>Materials and Services:</u>

The Bidder warrants that goods, materials or services delivered to the City will meet the minimum specifications set forth therein. Bidder shall furnish all data pertinent to specifications and warranties, which apply to items in the bid.

#### 16. <u>Equal Employment Opportunity:</u>

Attention is called to the requirements for ensuring that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their age, race, color, creed, sex or national origin.

#### 17. <u>Price of Materials and Sales Tax:</u>

Prices for all goods or services shall remain firm for the duration of this contract and shall be stated on the bid sheet. Prices shall be all inclusive. Any price not shown on the bid sheet will not be honored by invoice. No price changes, additions or subsequent qualifications will be honored during the course of this contract. All prices must be written in ink or typewritten. Transportation, freight or other charges are to be prepaid by the bidder and included in the bid price. If there are additional charges of any kind, other than those mentioned above, specified or unspecified, Bidder must indicate both items required and attendant cost or forfeit the right to payment. Invoices must be submitted by the vendor in duplicate to the City of Conroe Purchasing Dept., P.O. Box 3066, Conroe TX 77305.

This Contract is issued by an organization, which qualifies for exemption pursuant to the provisions of Article 20.04 (F) of the Texas Limited Sales, Excise and Use Tax Act.

#### 18. <u>Indemnification:</u>

The Proposer shall, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Conroe, their officers, and agents from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, orders, decrees, or judgments for injury, death, damage to person or property, loss, damage, or liability of any kind (including without limitation liability under any federal, state, or local environmental law, Compensation and Liability Act; fees and costs (including all costs or settlements and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in defending any claim, demand, or cause of action) occasioned by, growing out of, or arising from (a) the performance of any product or service to be supplied by the Proposer, or (b) by any act, error or omission on the part of the Proposer, its agents, employees, or subcontractors, and or (c) any failure to fully comply with all applicable laws and regulations by the Proposer, its agents, employees, or subcontractors.

# **19.** <u>Insurance Requirements:</u>

The Bidder shall procure and maintain, at its expense, during the term of this bid, at least the following insurance, covering work performed.

	COVERAGE	LIMITS
А.	Worker's Compensation	- As required by Texas Law
В.	Employer's Liability	- \$ 500,000 each occurrence
C.	Public Liability (Bodily injury)	- \$1,000,000 combined single limit
D.	Public Liability (Property damage)	- \$1,000,000 combined single limit
E.	Automobile Liability (Bodily injury)	- \$ 200,000 each person
F.	Automobile Liability (Property damage)	- \$ 50,000 each occurrence

The Proposer agrees to furnish insurance certificates, showing the bidders compliance with this section if required by the City.

# 20. <u>Conditions of Conduct:</u>

At all times any agent, officer, or employee of Proposer shall be present upon property owned by the City of Conroe, the terms and conditions of the Drug and Alcohol Policy currently adopted by the City of Conroe, shall be deemed applicable to such persons. Violations of terms and conditions while present on the premises owned by the City of Conroe shall be grounds for termination of any contract between the City and Proposer. A copy of this policy is available for public inspection in the office of the City Secretary and copies may be obtained at a nominal charge.

# 21. <u>Conditions of Work:</u>

Bidders are expected to be fully informed of construction and labor conditions under which the work will be performed, and to have thoroughly reviewed the plans, contract documents and specifications. Failure to do so will not relieve a successful bidder of any obligations to furnish material and labor necessary to complete the project.

**22.** <u>Ethical Standard:</u> No City official or employee shall have interest in any contract resulting from this "RFQ". Individuals with a possible conflict will enact a public disclosure record by completing a "Statement of Financial Interest" form.

# 23. <u>Payment:</u>

Payment will be scheduled within thirty (30) days upon complete delivery and acceptance of all equipment/material and receipt of an original invoice for the equipment/material complying with the terms and conditions of the award. The City reserves the right to withhold up to ten percent (10%) of the purchase price in the event there is a conditional acceptance.

#### 24. <u>Proposal Agreements and Certification:</u>

#### The Undersigned Agrees That:

- A. No Federal, State, County or Municipal taxes have been included in the quoted prices and none will be added.
- B. Prices in this proposal have not knowingly been disclosed with any other provider and will not be prior to award.
- C. Prices in this proposal have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition.
- D. No attempt has been made nor will be to induce any other person or firm to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- E. The individual signing this proposal certifies that he/she is a legal agent of the proposer, authorized to represent the proposer and is legally responsible for the offer with regard to supporting documentation and prices provided.

# By my signature below I agree to comply with all the provisions, terms and conditions pertaining to this Bid.

(Company Name)

(Name of Authorized Agent – Printed)

(Street Address / P.O. Box)

(Authorized Agent Signature)

(City / State / Zip Code)

(Date)

(Phone)

(E-Mail Address)