



COLLIN COUNTY

Mowing, Various County Locations

IFB 2017-082

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LEGAL NOTICE

By order of the Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas, bids will be received by the County Purchasing Agent until **2:00 P.M., Thursday, February 16, 2017** for competitive bids on **Mowing, Various County Locations (IFB 2017-082)**. Bidders should use unit pricing. Bidders may secure copies of the bidding documents at <https://collincountytx.ionwave.net>. Bids will be opened by the Purchasing Agent in the Purchasing Conference Room, Collin County Administration Building, 2300 Bloomdale Road, Suite 3160, McKinney TX, 75071 on **Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 2:00 P.M.** The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

ATTENTION: CLASSIFIEDS

**BILL TO: ACCOUNT NO 06100315-000
COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

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 February 1, 2017**

Collin County, Texas

Bid Information

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Bid Number 2017-082
Title Mowing, Various County Locations
Bid Type IFB
Issue Date 01/31/2017
Close Date 2/16/2017 02:00:00 PM (CT)

Contact Information

Address 2300 Bloomdale Rd.
Ste. 3160
McKinney, TX 75071

Contact Jennifer Turner
Department Purchasing
Building Admin. Building
Floor/Room Ste.3160
Telephone 1 (972) 548-4104
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Email shoglund@co.collin.tx.us

Ship to Information

Address See Purchase Order
McKinney, TX 75071

Contact
Department
Building
Floor/Room
Telephone
Fax
Email

Supplier Information

Company Name _____
Contact Name _____
Address _____

Telephone _____
Fax _____
Email _____

Supplier Notes

The undersigned hereby certifies the foregoing bid submitted by the company listed below hereinafter called "bidder" is the duly authorized agent of said company and the person signing said bid has been duly authorized to execute same. Bidder affirms that they are duly authorized to execute this contract; this company; corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this bid in collusion with any other bidder or other person or persons engaged in the same line of business; and that the contents of this bid as to prices, terms and conditions of said bid have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this bid.

Signature _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

Bid Notes

The purpose of this Invitation for Bid is to provide the specifications to described the mowing an string/tree trimming services required by Collin County.

Bid Activities

Date	Name	Description
7/22/2016 02:00 PM (CT)	Intent to Bid	Do you intend to bid on this IFB?

Bid Messages

Bid Attachments

The following attachments are associated with this opportunity and will need to be retrieved separately

Line	Filename	Description
Header	Legal_Notice_-_1.docx	Legal Notice
Header	General Instructions_Bid.docx	General Instructions_Bid

Header	Terms of Contract_Bid.docx	Terms of Contract - Bid
Header	Insurance Requirements.doc	Insurance
Header	Special_Terms_and_Conditions - Mowing.doc	Special Terms and Conditions
Header	HB23_CIQ - Information Regarding Conflict of Interest Questionnaire.docx	Information Regarding Conflict of Interest Questionnaire
Header	CIQ-New-2015 (1).pdf	Conflict of Interest Questionnaire_2015
Header	W-9.pdf	W-9

Bid Attributes

Please review the following and respond where necessary

#	Name	Note	Response
1	Delivery	Delivery will be F.O.B. inside delivery at Collin County designated locations and all transportation charges are to be paid by the supplier to destination. Please state delivery in calendar days from date of order.	_____ (Required)
2	Exceptions	Do you take exceptions to the specifications. If so, by separate attachment, please state your exceptions. Valid Responses: [Please Select], Yes, No	_____ (Required)
3	Insurance	I understand that the insurance requirements of this solicitation are required and a certificate of insurance shall be submitted to the Purchasing department if I am awarded all or a portion of the resulting contract. Please initial.	_____ (Required)
4	Subcontractors	State the business name of all subcontractors and the type of work they will be performing under this contract. If you are fully qualified to self-perform the entire contract, please respond with "Not Applicable-Self Perform".	_____ (Required)
5	Reference No. 1	List a company or governmental agency where these same/like products /services, as stated herein, have been provided. Include the following: Company/Entity, Contact, Address, City/State/Zip, Phone, and E-Mail.	_____ (Required)
6	Reference No. 2	List a company or governmental agency where these same/like products /services, as stated herein, have been provided. Include the following: Company/Entity, Contact, Address, City/State/Zip, Phone, and E-Mail.	_____ (Required)
7	Reference No. 3	List a company or governmental agency where these same/like products /services, as stated herein, have been provided. Include the following: Company/Entity, Contact, Address, City/State/Zip, Phone, and E-Mail.	_____ (Required)

8 Cooperative Contracts

As permitted under Title 8, Chapter 271, Subchapter F, _____ (Required)
Section 271.101 and 271.102 V.T.C.A. and Title 7,
Chapter 791, Subchapter C, Section 791.025, V.T.C.A.,
other local governmental entities may wish to also
participate under the same terms and conditions contained
in this contract. Each entity wishing to participate must
enter into an inter-local agreement with Collin County and
have prior authorization from vendor. If such participation
is authorized, all purchase orders will be issued directly
from and shipped directly to the local governmental entity
requiring supplies/services. Collin County shall not be
held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or
payment for supplies/services ordered by these entities.
Each entity reserves the right to determine their
participation in this contract.

Would bidder be willing to allow other local governmental
entities to participate in this contract, if awarded, under the
same terms and conditions?
Valid Responses: [Please Select], Yes, No

9 Preferential Treatment

The County of Collin, as a governmental agency of the _____ (Required)
State of Texas, may not award a contract to a nonresident
bidder unless the nonresident's bid is lower than the
lowest bid submitted by a responsible Texas resident
bidder by the same amount that a Texas resident bidder
would be required to underbid a nonresident bidder to
obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the
nonresident's principal place of business is located
(Government Code, Title 10, V.T.C.A., Chapter 2252,
Subchapter A).

1. Is your principal place of business in the State of
Texas?
2. If your principal place of business is not in Texas, in
which State is your principal place of business?
3. If your principal place of business is not in Texas, does
your state favor resident bidders (bidders in your state) by
some dollar increment or percentage?
4. If your state favors resident bidders, state by what dollar
amount or percentage.

10 Debarment Certification

I certify that neither my company nor an owner or principal _____ (Required)
of my company has been debarred, suspended or
otherwise made ineligible for participation in Federal
Assistance programs under Executive Order 12549,
"Debarment and Suspension," as described in the Federal
Register and Rules and Regulations.

Please initial.

11 Immigration and Reform Act

I declare and affirm that my company is in compliance with _____ (Required)
the Immigration and Reform Act of 1986 and all employees
are legally eligible to work in the United States of America.

I further understand and acknowledge that any
non-compliance with the Immigration and Reform Act of
1986 at any time during the term of this contract will
render the contract voidable by Collin County.

Please initial.

12 Disclosure of Certain Relationships

Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor considering doing business with a local government entity disclose the vendor's affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with a local government entity. Subchapter 6 of the code requires a vendor to file a conflict of interest questionnaire (CIQ) if a conflict exists. By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of Collin County no later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of an event that requires the statement to be filed. A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates the code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

_____ (Required)

By submitting a response to this request, the vendor represents that it is in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Please send completed forms to the Collin County County Clerk's Office located at 2300 Bloomdale Rd., Suite 2104, McKinney, TX 75071.

Please initial.

13 Disclosure of Interested Parties

Section 2252.908 of the Texas Government Code requires a business entity entering into certain contracts with a governmental entity to file with the governmental entity a disclosure of interested parties at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity. Section 2252.908 requires the disclosure form (Form 1295) to be signed by the authorized agent of the contracting business entity, acknowledging that the disclosure is made under oath and under penalty of perjury. Section 2252.908 applies only to a contract that requires an action or vote by the governing body of the governmental entity before the contract may be signed or has a value of at least \$1 million. Section 2252.908 provides definitions of certain terms occurring in the section.

_____ (Required)

Section 2252.908 applies only to a contract entered into on or after January 1, 2016.

Please initial.

14 Notification Survey

In order to better serve our offerors, the Collin County Purchasing Department is conducting the following survey. We appreciate your time and effort expended to submit your bid. Should you have any questions or require more information please call (972) 548-4165.

_____ (Required)

How did you receive notice of this request?

Valid Responses: [Please Select], Plano Star Courier, Plan Room, Collin County eBid Notification, Collin County Website, Other

15 Bidder Acknowledgement

Bidder acknowledges, understands the specifications, any _____ (Required) and all addenda, and agrees to the bid terms and conditions and can provide the minimum requirements stated herein. Bidder acknowledges they have read the document in its entirety, visited the site, performed investigations and verifications as deemed necessary, is familiar with local conditions under which work is to be performed and will be responsible for any and all errors in Bid submittal resulting from Bidder's failure to do so. Bidder acknowledges the prices submitted in this Bid have been carefully reviewed and are submitted as correct and final. If Bid is accepted, vendor further certifies and agrees to furnish any and all products upon which prices are extended at the price submitted, and upon conditions in the specifications of the Invitation for Bid.

Please initial.

Line Items

#	Qty	UOM	Description	Response
1	1	acre	Collin County Justice Center	\$ _____ (Required) Unit Price

Item Notes: Approximately forty-eight (48) acres. Price per acre.

Supplier Notes: _____

2	1	acre	Sister Grove Park	\$ _____ (Required) Unit Price
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Item Notes: Approximately thirty (30) acres. Price per acre.

Supplier Notes: _____

3	1	acre	Parkhill Prairie	\$ _____ (Required) Unit Price
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Item Notes: Approximately fifteen (15) acres. Price per acre.

Supplier Notes: _____

4	1	acre	Verona Radio Tower	\$ _____ (Required) Unit Price
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Item Notes: Approximately twelve (12) acres. Price per acre.

Supplier Notes: _____

5	1	acre	Celina Radio Tower	\$ _____ (Required) Unit Price
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Item Notes: Approximately four (4) acres. Price per acre.

Supplier Notes: _____

6 1 cubic yard Tree Trimming

\$ _____
(Required)
Unit Price

Item Notes: This will be on an as needed basis. Price per cubic yard.

Supplier Notes: _____

7 1 square Miscellaneous Lots and/or Acreage
yard

\$ _____
(Required)
Unit Price

Item Notes: "As Needed" Trimming and Brush Removal. Price per square yard.

Supplier Notes: _____

1.0 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1.0.1 Definitions

1.0.1.1 Bidder: refers to submitter.

1.0.1.2 Vendor/Contractor/Provider: refers to a Successful Bidder/Contractor/Service Provider.

1.0.1.3 Submittal: refers to those documents required to be submitted to Collin County, by a Bidder.

1.0.1.4 IFB: refers to Invitation For Bid.

1.1 If Bidder does not wish to submit an offer at this time, please submit a No Bid.

1.2 Awards shall be made not more than ninety (90) days after the time set for opening of submittals.

1.3 Collin County is always conscious and extremely appreciative of your time and effort in preparing your submittal.

1.4 Collin County exclusively uses ionWave Technologies, Inc. (Collin County eBid) for the notification and dissemination of all solicitations. The receipt of solicitations through any other company may result in your receipt of incomplete specifications and/or addendums which could ultimately render your bid non-compliant. Collin County accepts no responsibility for the receipt and/or notification of solicitations through any other company.

1.5 A bid may not be withdrawn or canceled by the bidder prior to the ninety-first (91st) day following public opening of submittals and only prior to award.

1.6 It is understood that Collin County, Texas reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids for any or all products and/or services covered in an Invitation For Bid (IFB), and to waive informalities or defects in submittals or to accept such submittals as it shall deem to be in the best interest of Collin County.

1.7 All IFB's submitted in hard copy paper form shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, plainly marked on the outside with the IFB number and name. A hard copy paper form submittal shall be manually signed in ink by a person having the authority to bind the firm in a contract. Submittals shall be mailed or hand delivered to the Collin County Purchasing Department.

1.8 No oral, telegraphic or telephonic submittals will be accepted. IFB's may be submitted in electronic format via Collin County eBid.

1.9 All Invitation For Bids (IFB) submitted electronically via Collin County eBid shall remain locked until official date and time of opening as stated in the Special Terms and Conditions of the IFB.

1.10 Time/date stamp clock in Collin County Purchasing Department shall be the official time of receipt for all Invitation for Bids (IFB) submitted in hard copy paper form. IFB's received in the Collin County Purchasing Department after submission deadline shall be considered void and unacceptable. Absolutely no late submittals will be considered. Collin County accepts no responsibility for technical difficulties related to electronic submittals.

1.11 For hard copy paper form submittals, any alterations made prior to opening date and time must be initialed by the signer of the IFB guaranteeing authenticity. Submittals cannot be altered or amended after submission deadline.

1.12 Collin County is by statute exempt from the State Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax; therefore, the prices submitted shall not include taxes.

1.13 Any interpretations, corrections and/or changes to an Invitation For Bid, and related Specifications or extensions to the opening/receipt date will be made by addenda to the respective document by the Collin County Purchasing Department. Questions and/or clarification requests must be submitted no later than seven (7) days prior to the opening/receipt date. Those received at a later date may not be addressed prior to the public opening. Sole authority to authorize addenda shall be vested in Collin County Purchasing Agent as entrusted by the Collin County Commissioners' Court. Addenda may be transmitted electronically via Collin County eBid.

1.13.1 Addenda will be transmitted to all that are known to have received a copy of the IFB/RFQ/RFP/RFI/CSP and related Specifications. However, it shall be the sole responsibility of the Bidder/Quoter/Offeror to verify issuance/non-issuance of addenda and to check all avenues of document availability (i.e. **Collin County eBid** <https://collincountytexas.com>, telephoning Purchasing Department directly, etc.) prior to opening/receipt date and time to insure Bidder/Quoter/Offeror's receipt of any addenda issued. Bidder/Quoter/Offeror shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda.

1.14 All materials and services shall be subject to Collin County approval.

1.15 Collin County reserves the right to make award in whole or in part as it deems to be in the best interest of the County.

1.16 Any reference to model/make and/or manufacturer used in specifications is for descriptive purposes only. Products/materials of like quality will be considered.

1.17 Bidders taking exception to the specifications shall do so at their own risk. By offering substitutions, Bidder shall state these exceptions in the section provided in the IFB or by attachment. Exception/substitution, if accepted, must meet or exceed specifications stated therein. Collin County reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all of the exception(s)/substitution(s) deemed to be in the best interest of the County.

1.19 Minimum Standards for Responsible Prospective Bidders: A prospective Bidder must meet the following minimum requirements:

1.19.1 have adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources as required;

1.19.2 be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery/completion schedule;

1.19.3 have a satisfactory record of performance;

1.19.4 have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;

1.19.5 be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.

Collin County may request documentation and other information sufficient to determine Bidder's ability to meet these minimum standards listed above.

1.20 Vendor shall bear any/all costs associated with its preparation of an IFB.

1.21 Public Information Act: Collin County is governed by the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code. All information submitted by prospective bidders during the bidding process is subject to release under the Act.

1.22 The Bidder shall comply with Commissioners' Court Order No. 2004-167-03-11, County Logo Policy.

1.23 Interlocal Agreement: Successful bidder agrees to extend prices and terms to all entities that has entered into or will enter into joint purchasing interlocal cooperation agreements with Collin County.

1.24 Bid Openings: All bids submitted will be read at the county's regularly scheduled bid opening for the designated project. However, the reading of a bid at bid opening should be not construed as a comment on the responsiveness of such bid or as any indication that the county accepts such bid as responsive.

The county will make a determination as to the responsiveness of bids submitted based upon compliance with all applicable laws, Collin County Purchasing Guidelines, and project documents, including but not limited to the project specifications and contract documents. The county will notify the successful bidder upon award of the contract and, according to state law; all bids received will be available for inspection at that time.

2.0 TERMS OF CONTRACT

2.1 A bid, when properly accepted by Collin County, shall constitute a contract equally binding between the Vendor/Contractor/Provider and Collin County. No different or additional terms will become part of this contract with the exception of a Change Order.

2.2 No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise change, or affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in the resulting contract. All Amendments and/or Change Orders to the contract will be made in writing by Collin County Purchasing Agent.

2.3 No public official shall have interest in the contract, in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Local Government Code Title 5, Subtitle C, Chapter 171.

2.4 The Vendor/Contractor/Provider shall comply with Commissioners' Court Order No. 96-680-10-28, Establishment of Guidelines & Restrictions Regarding the Acceptance of Gifts by County Officials & County Employees.

2.5 Design, strength, quality of materials and workmanship must conform to the highest standards of manufacturing and engineering practice.

2.6 Bids must comply with all federal, state, county and local laws concerning the type(s) of product(s)/service(s)/equipment/project(s) contracted for, and the fulfillment of all ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements.

2.7 All products must be new and unused, unless otherwise specified, in first-class condition and of current manufacture. Obsolete products, including products or any parts not compatible with existing hardware/software configurations will not be accepted.

2.8 Vendor/Contractor/Provider shall provide any and all notices as may be required under the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988, 28 CFR Part 67, Subpart F, to its employees and all sub-contractors to insure that Collin County maintains a drug-free work place.

2.9 Vendor/Contractor/Provider shall defend, indemnify and save harmless Collin County and all its officers, agents and employees and all entities, their officers, agents and employees who are participating in this contract from all suits, claims, actions, damages (including personal injury and or property damages), or demands of any character, name and description, (including attorneys' fees, expenses and other defense costs of any nature) brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property on account of Vendor/Contractor/Provider's breach of the contract arising from an award, and/or any negligent act, error, omission or fault of the Vendor/Contractor/Provider, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier of Vendor/Contractor/Provider in the execution of, or performance under, any contract which may result from an award. Vendor/Contractor/Provider shall pay in full any judgment with costs, including attorneys' fees and expenses which are rendered against Collin County and/or participating entities arising out of such breach, act, error, omission and/or fault.

2.10 Expenses for Enforcement. In the event either Party hereto is required to employ an attorney to enforce the provisions of this Agreement or is required to commence legal proceedings to enforce the provisions hereof, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover from the other, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs incurred in connection with such enforcement, including collection.

2.11 If a contract, resulting from a Collin County IFB is for the execution of a public work, the following shall apply:

2.11.1 In accordance with V.T.C.A. 2253.021, a governmental agency that makes a public work contract with a prime contractor shall require the contractor, before beginning work, to execute to the governmental entity a Payment Bond if the contract is in excess of \$25,000.00. Such bond shall

3.0 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Before commencing work, the vendor shall be required, at its own expense, to furnish the Collin County Purchasing Agent with certified copies of all insurance certificate(s) indicating the coverage to remain in force throughout the term of this contract.

3.1.1 **Commercial General Liability** insurance including but not limited to the coverage indicated below. Coverage shall not exclude or limit Products/Completed Operations, Contractual Liability, or Cross Liability.

- Each Occurrence: \$1,000,000
- Personal & Adv Injury: \$1,000,000
- Products/Completed Operation: \$2,000,000
- General Aggregate: \$2,000,000

3.1.2 **Workers Compensation** insurance as required by the laws of Texas, and Employers' Liability.

Employers' Liability

- Liability, Each Accident: \$500,000
- Disease-Each Employee: \$500,000
- Disease – Policy Limit: \$500,000

3.1.3 **Commercial Automobile Liability** insurance including owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles used in connection with the contract.

- Combined Single Limit – Each Accident: \$1,000,000

3.2 With reference to the foregoing insurance requirement, the vendor shall endorse applicable insurance policies as follows:

3.2.1 A waiver of subrogation in favor of Collin County, its officials, employees, volunteers and officers shall be provided for General Liability, Commercial Automobile Liability and Workers Compensation..

3.2.2 The vendor's insurance coverage shall name Collin County as additional insured under the General Liability policy.

3.2.3 All insurance policies shall be endorsed to require the insurer to immediately notify Collin County of any decrease in the insurance coverage limits.

3.2.4 All insurance policies shall be endorsed to the effect that Collin County will receive at least thirty (30) days notice prior to cancellation, non-renewal or termination of the policy.

3.2.5 All copies of Certificates of Insurance shall reference the project/contract number.

3.3 All insurance shall be purchased from an insurance company that meets the following requirements:

3.3.1 A financial rating of A-VIII or higher as assigned by the BEST Rating Company or equivalent.

3.4 Certificates of Insurance shall be prepared and executed by the insurance company or its authorized agent, and shall contain provisions representing and warranting the following:

3.4.1 Sets forth all endorsements and insurance coverages according to requirements and instructions contained herein.

3.4.2 Sets forth the notice of cancellation or termination to Collin County.

4.0 SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

- 4.1 Authorization: By order of the Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas sealed bids will be received for mowing and string/tree trimming of the Collin County Justice Center, Sister Grove Park, Parkhill Prairie, radio tower sites, and miscellaneous lots and/or acreage as needed.
- 4.2 Purpose: The intended use/purpose for this Invitation for Bid is to describe mowing and string/tree trimming services. Collin County reserves the right to add or delete additional areas to be mowed and trimmed as it deems to be in the best interest of the County.
 - 4.2.1 Collin County Justice Center
 - 4.2.2 Sister Grove Park and Parkhill Prairie
 - 4.2.3 Verona Radio Tower and Celina Radio Tower
 - 4.2.4 Miscellaneous Lots and/or Acreage
 - 4.2.5 String and Tree Trimming
- 4.3 Term: Provide for a term contract commencing on the date of award, and continuing through and including September 30, 2017 with two (2) optional one (1) year renewal periods provided there is no change in the terms, conditions, specifications, and prices provided that such renewals are mutually agreed to by both parties.
- 4.4 Funding: Funds for payment have been provided through the Collin County budget approved by the Commissioners' Court for this fiscal year only. State of Texas statutes prohibit the County from any obligation of public funds beyond the fiscal year for which a budget has been approved.
- 4.5 Price Reduction: If during the life of the contract, the vendor's net prices to its customers for the same product(s) and/or services shall be reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the County shall receive such price reduction.
- 4.6 Price Redetermination: A price redetermination may be considered by Collin County only at the twelve (12) month and twenty-four (24) month anniversary dates of the contract. The anniversary date for each year will be October 1st. All requests for price redetermination shall be received at least 90 (ninety) days before the anniversary date in written form and shall include documents supporting price redetermination such as Manufacturer's direct cost, postage rates, Railroad Commission rates, Federal/State minimum wage law, Federal/State unemployment taxes, F.I.C.A, Insurance Coverage Rates, etc. The bidder's past experience of honoring contracts at the bid price will be an important consideration in the evaluation of the lowest and best bid. Collin County reserves the right to accept or reject any/all of the price redetermination as it deems to be in the best interest of the County.
- 4.7 Delivery/Completion/Response Time: Vendor shall commence mowing or abatement services within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of purchase order from Collin County for specified areas.
- 4.8 Approximate Value/Usage: Estimated value of this contract varies – FY14 \$15,000.00; FY15 \$3,900.00; FY16 \$5,700.00. Acreage located at the Collin County Justice Center is estimated at one (1) mowing per month, per area, April through October. Acreage located at Sister Grove Park shall be mowed approximately nine (9) times per year. Acreage

located at Parkhill Prairie shall be mowed approximately nine (9) times per year. Acreage at radio tower sites is estimated at one (1) mowing per month, per area, April through October. Miscellaneous acreage mowing and trimming services will be on an "as needed" basis. Approximate usage does not constitute an order, but only implies the probable quantity the County will use.

- 4.9 Inspection: Upon completion of each area Collin County shall have the right to inspect the service(s) performed before accepting them. Vendor shall make inspections with Collin County's designated representative upon request and furnish a written plan of action as to how and when correction of any discrepancies will be accomplished. Collin County reserves the right to make periodic unannounced inspections without the vendor being present.
- 4.10 Inclement Weather Conditions: Collin County will allow two (2) additional days for every day in which there is a delay due to the weather for completion of services.
- 4.12 General:
 - 4.12.1 Mowing shall not be allowed if ground is wet and tractor leaves ruts.
 - 4.12.2 Trimming shall be required within all tractor mowing areas.
 - 4.12.3 Trimming around culverts, bar ditches, trees, etc., shall be at the same height or less than the area mowed adjacent to it.
 - 4.12.4 Trimming shall be finished within one (1) working day after mowing is completed.
 - 4.12.5 Vendor shall mow and trim an area until that area is completely finished. Exceptions are inclement weather conditions, mechanical failure and end of working day.
 - 4.12.6 Mowing shall be uniform and level.
- 4.13 Specifications:
 - 4.13.1 Collin County Justice Center, approximately forty-eight (48) total acres.
 - 4.13.1.1 Acreage to be mowed once (1) per month, April to October.
 - 4.13.1.2 Grass shall be mowed to a height of approximately three (3) to four (4) inches.
 - 4.13.1.3 Mowing beside street and driveways shall start where Collin County Grounds Maintenance mowing ends.
 - 4.13.1.4 Mowing shall be within five (5) feet of dense tree lines.
 - 4.13.1.5 Vendor shall verify acreage.
 - 4.13.1.6 Collin County shall contact vendor to schedule mowing and trimming of specified area and/or areas as needed.
 - 4.13.1.7 Trimming shall be done around all trees and in all bar ditch and culvert areas.

4.13.2 Sister Grove Park, approximately thirty (30) acres

- 4.13.2.1 Acreage to be mowed approximately nine (9) times per year.
- 4.13.2.2 Grass shall be mowed to a height of approximately four (4) inches.
- 4.13.2.3 Mowing shall be within five (5) feet of dense tree lines.
- 4.13.2.4 Vendor shall verify acreage.
- 4.13.2.5 Collin County shall contact vendor to schedule mowing and trimming of specified area and/or areas as needed.
- 4.13.2.6 Trimming shall be done around all trees and in all bar ditch and culvert areas.

4.13.3 Parkhill Prairie, approximately fifteen (15) acres

- 4.13.3.1 Acreage to be mowed approximately nine (9) times per year.
- 4.13.3.2 Grass shall be mowed to a height of approximately four (4) inches.
- 4.13.3.3 Mowing shall be within five (5) feet of dense tree lines.
- 4.13.3.4 Vendor shall verify acreage.
- 4.13.3.5 Collin County shall contact vendor to schedule mowing and trimming of specified area and/or areas as needed.
- 4.13.3.6 Trimming shall be done around all trees and in all bar ditch and culvert areas.

4.13.4 Miscellaneous lots and/or acreage

- 4.13.4.1 Collin County will contact vendor on an “as needed” basis to schedule areas of undetermined number, size, or location of area(s) in need of trimming or brush removal.
 - 4.13.4.1.1 Removal of trimmings, brush, etc., shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder and all fees and landfill permits shall be included in the bidders pricing. The County shall incur no additional fees or cost.

4.13.5 Radio Tower Sites

- 4.13.5.1 Verona Radio Tower, approximately twelve (12) acres
8499 CR 502
Blue Ridge, TX
 - 4.13.5.1.1 Acreage to be mowed once (1) per month, April to October.
 - 4.13.5.1.2 Grass shall be mowed to a height of approximately three (3) to four (4) inches.
 - 4.13.5.1.3 Mowing beside street and driveways shall start where Collin County Grounds Maintenance mowing ends.

- 4.13.5.1.4 Mowing shall be within five (5) feet of dense tree lines.
- 4.13.5.1.5 Vendor shall verify acreage.
- 4.13.5.1.6 Collin County shall contact vendor to schedule mowing and trimming of specified area and/or areas as needed.
- 4.13.5.1.7 Trimming shall be done around all trees and in all bar ditch and culvert areas.

4.13.5.2 Celina Radio Tower, approximately four (4) acres
9165 CR 101
Celina, TX

- 4.13.5.2.1 Acreage to be mowed once (1) per month, April to October.
- 4.13.5.2.2 Grass shall be mowed to a height of approximately three (3) to four (4) inches.
- 4.13.5.2.3 Mowing beside street and driveways shall start where Collin County Grounds Maintenance mowing ends.
- 4.13.5.2.4 Mowing shall be within five (5) feet of dense tree lines.
- 4.13.5.2.5 Vendor shall verify acreage.
- 4.13.5.2.6 Collin County shall contact vendor to schedule mowing and trimming of specified area and/or areas as needed.
- 4.13.5.2.7 Trimming shall be done around all trees and in all bar ditch and culvert areas.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 ☐ Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being disclosed.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the vendor has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

☐ Yes ☐ No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more?

☐ Yes ☐ No

D. Describe each employment or business and family relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

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Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

Date

INFORMATION REGARDING **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**

During the 79th Legislative Session, House Bill 914 was signed into law effective September 1, 2005, which added Chapter 176 to the Texas Local Government Code. Recent changes have been made to Chapter 176 pursuant to HB23, which passed the 84th Legislative Session. Chapter 176 mandates the public disclosure of certain information concerning persons doing business or seeking to do business with Collin County, including family, business, and financial relationships such persons may have with Collin County officers or employees involved in the planning, recommending, selecting and contracting of a vendor for this procurement.

For a copy of Form CIQ and CIS:

http://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/conflict_forms.htm

The vendor acknowledges by doing business or seeking to do business with Collin County that he/she has been notified of the requirements under Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code and that he/she is solely responsible for complying with the terms and conditions therein. Furthermore, any individual or business entity seeking to do business with Collin County who does not comply with this practice may risk award consideration of any County contract.

For a listing of current Collin County Officers:

<http://www.collincountytexas.gov/government/Pages/officials.aspx>

The following County employees will be involved in the planning, recommending, selecting, and contracting for the attached procurement:

Department:

Dan James, Facilities Director

Clarence Daugherty, Director of Engineering

Jeff Durham, Parks and Projects Manager

Purchasing:

Michalyn Rains – Purchasing Agent, CPPB, CPPO

Sara Hoglund, CPPB – Asst. Purchasing Agent

Jennifer Baxter – Buyer II

Commissioners' Court:

Keith Self – County Judge

Susan Fletcher – Commissioner Precinct No. 1

Cheryl Williams – Commissioner Precinct No. 2

Chris Hill – Commissioner Precinct No. 3

Duncan Webb – Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification: ☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate ☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ ☐ Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	Exemptions (see instructions): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	City, state, and ZIP code	
List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
				-					
Employer identification number									
				-					

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below), and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. The IRS has created a page on www.irs.gov/w9 for information about Form W-9, at www.irs.gov/w9. Information about any future developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) will be posted on that page.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, payments made to you in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the

withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.