



FINANCE

RFP 827-24 Tree Trimming Services

Addendum #1
Date: May 20, 2024

Questions:

1. What was the budget for 2023 and what is allocated for 2024?

The total budget for FY23/24 for tree trimming services can be obtained through a written records request with our City Clerk's office. Tree Trimming budget has no guaranteed amount set forth.

2. What is the number of trees expected to be cut and removed in the first year of the contract?

There is no specific number of planned removals in the first year of this contract. We will remove dead and hazardous trees as needed.

3. Will a C-31 license be required for traffic control?

No. Traffic control must meet requirements set forth in The California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (California MUTCD).

4. Will the trimming crews require a certain license or certification to trim the trees?

Yes. Trimming shall be done by ISA Certified Tree Workers. A Certified Arborist does not have to be on site during trimming.

5. Could you please clarify the 10% local preference as stated on page 9 of the proposal? I would like clarification: does this preference apply to employees who live in Lancaster and are performing the work, or does it relate to the location of the contractor's yards? Any clarification you can provide on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Local preference refers to a business located within Lancaster City limits with a physical address and business license.

6. C-31 Traffic control license

Refer to answer in question #3.

7. During the non-mandatory pre-proposal meeting on May 14th, 2024, a query regarding the necessity of a C-31 traffic control license was raised. I firmly advocate for the requirement of a valid C-31 license, given the diverse scope of work involved, ranging from tree trimming, planting, to removal. This ensures that stringent safety standards are upheld for both the community and project employees. The CSLB C-31 license, specific to California, grants contractors' authority to oversee traffic control during tree maintenance projects. Holders of this license are responsible for ensuring safety compliance and maintaining smooth traffic flow throughout tree-related activities, substantiating their proficiency through both examinations and practical experience.

No response to this statement.

8. Could you kindly clarify whether the contractor is financially responsible for green waste recycling? This information is crucial for ensuring its inclusion in the bid proposal.

The contractor is financially responsible for the disposal of "all" waste as it pertains to this service contract.