



ADVERTISEMENT/INVITATION TO BID

Wellington Council is accepting sealed bids for **(ITB#038-11/ Term Contract for Mulch, Sod, Pine Straw and Ground Preparation)**

All Bids must be received, one (1) original and one (1) copy for a total of two complete copies, at the address below in the **Wellington Clerk's Office**, no later than **March 15th, 2011** at **09:00 a.m.** at which time all Bids will be publicly opened and read. Receipt of a response by any Wellington Office, Receptionist, or personnel other than the Clerk's Office does not constitute "receipt" as required by this solicitation. The Wellington Clerk's time stamp shall be conclusive as to the timeliness of receipt.

The Owner for the Project is Wellington, Florida, ("Owner").

Bid Documents may be obtained starting **February 25th, 2011** online at www.demandstar.com or by calling Jamison Mao at 561-791-4105. Bid documents will not be issued unless the request is received at least 24 hours prior to the opening of the Bids.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of **120** days after the posting of the recommended award as otherwise provided in Instructions to Bidders.

In accordance with the bid package, Bidder(s) shall submit a Fixed Unit Price Schedule for commodities and/or labor costs, crews, workmen, equipment time including mobilization, etc., and qualifying information. Work Authorization shall strictly be based on Owner (Wellington's) Unit Price Schedule. Bidders may bid on any or all individual line items as outlined in the Bid form "SCHEDULE OF VALUES" in which they are **licensed and qualified**. Failure to not bid on all items will not be a basis for disqualification. However, all blanks should be filled-in as not applicable if no bid is provided for that item.

Wellington Clerk's Office

12300 Forest Hill Blvd

Wellington, FL 33414

ENVELOPE MUST BE IDENTIFIED AS SEALED BID #038-11/JM Term Contract for Mulch, Sod, Pine Straw and Ground Preparation

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids (in whole or in part) with or without cause, to waive technicalities, irregularities or informalities, or to accept bids which in its judgment best serve the Owner.

Any and all questions regarding the bidding documents shall be directed to Wellington's Purchasing Division.

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BID ACKNOWLEDGEMENT COVER PAGE

SUBMIT BIDS TO: Wellington Attn: Clerk's Office 12300 Forest Hill Blvd Wellington, FL 33414	REFER ALL INQUIRIES TO PRIMARY CONTACT: Purchasing Division 12300 Forest Hill Blvd Wellington, FL 33414 Fax: (561) 791 – 4045/Ph:(561) 791 – 4000	Wellington INVITATION TO BID COMMODITY/SERVICE
BID TITLE: Term Contract for Mulch, Sod, Pine Straw and Ground Preparation		BID NO: 030 – 11/JM

NAME OF FIRM, ENTITY, or ORGANIZATION:				
NAME OF CONTACT PERSON	VENDOR MAILING ADDRESS:	CITY:	ZIP:	STATE:
TITLE	VENDOR HEADQUARTERS ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):	CITY:	ZIP:	STATE:
PHONE NUMBER:		FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN):		
EMAIL ADDRESS:		STATE OF FLORIDA BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)		
FAX NUMBER:				
ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE (Please Check One): Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Proprietorship ☐ Joint Venture ☐ Other ☐				
<i>If Corporation, please provide the following:</i> (A) Date of Incorporation: _____ Month / Day / Year (B) State or Country of Incorporation: _____				
Does your firm accept Visa for payment? Yes ☐ No ☐				
Name: _____ First Middle Initial Last SIGNATURE: _____ TITLE (Please Print) _____				
PHONE NUMBER: _____ TITLE (PRINT OR TYPED) _____				
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 materials, supplies or equipment, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all terms and conditions of this bid and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid for the bidder and that the bidder is in compliance with all requirements of the Invitation to Bid, including but not limited to, certification requirements.				
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (MANUAL) _____ AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (PRINT OR TYPED) _____ TITLE (PRINT OR TYPED) _____				

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR SUBMITTAL

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:** Potential bidders to the solicitation are expected to review all materials contained herein and prepare responses accordingly. Submit required documents, complete information with solicitation including pricing and related terms.
2. **TIMELINE:** The Event Timeline below gives the date and time (where applicable) for major activities in the solicitation.

EVENT	TIME	DUE DATE
Invitation (ITB) Release Date	N/a	February 25 th , 2011
Pre-Bid Meeting (Mandatory)	None	N/A
Number of Bid Hard Copies Including Original	2	N/A
Questions from Bidders to Warrant Response/Addendum	06:00 pm	March 7 st , 2011
Bids Received By – (Deadline & Opening)	9:00 am (Local Time)	March 15 th , 2011
Evaluation Committee Meeting (if applicable)	None	N/A
Posted Notice of Intended Award	Tentative/DemandStar.com/Clerk's Office	Tentative/DemandStar.com/Clerk's Office
Contract Award by Wellington Council	Tentative	Tentative

3. **NOTIFICATIONS:** Respondents are advised that <http://www.demandstar.com> is the preferred sourcing of notices, addendum, bids and other documented communications. Wellington is not under any obligation and does not guarantee that Bidders will receive email notifications concerning the posting, amendment or close of solicitations. Vendors are responsible to check <http://www.demandstar.com> for information and updates concerning solicitations or contact the Purchasing Division on the information listed above.
4. **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** The completed Bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the Bid Title and Bid number to the Clerk's Office, Village of Wellington, 12300 Forest Hill Blvd. Wellington, Florida 33414 no later than local time on stated TIMELINE.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: All responses are subject to the requirements, specifications, terms and conditions of the sections of this solicitation which, in case of conflict, shall have the order of precedence listed:

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| 1. Bid acknowledgement Cover Page | 4. Technical Specifications | 7. Schedule of Values & Ordering |
| 2. Instructions to Bidders | 5. General Terms and Conditions | Instructions and Forms |
| 3. Special Terms and Conditions | 6. General Instructions to Bidders | |

Wellington objects to and shall not consider any additional terms or conditions submitted by a Bidder, including any appearing in documents attached as part of any response. In submitting its response, the Bidder agrees that any additional terms or conditions, whether submitted intentionally or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect. Failure to comply with the solicitation requirements, specifications, terms and conditions, including those specifying information that must be submitted with a response, shall be grounds for rejecting a bid or response.

5. **ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTIONS:** Wellington reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids (in whole or in part) with or without cause, to waive any technicalities, irregularities or formalities, or to accept the Bid(s) which in its judgment best serves Wellington.

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1 SEALED BIDS: All bid sheets and this form must be executed and submitted in a sealed envelope as per stated TIMELINE above. The face of the envelope shall contain, in addition to the above address, the date and time of the bid opening and the bid number. Bids not submitted on attached bid form shall be rejected. All bids are subject to the conditions specified herein. Those which do not comply with these conditions are subject to rejection.

2 EXECUTION OF BID: Any illegible entries, pencil Bids or corrections not initialed will not be tabulated. The original Bid conditions and specifications together with bidder's response CANNOT be changed or altered in any way after submitted. Bid must contain a manual signature of authorized representative in the space provided above. Bid must be typed or printed in ink. Use of erasable ink is not permitted.

PRICES QUOTED AND CASH DISCOUNTS: Deduct trade discounts and quote firm net prices. Give both unit price and extended total, when requested. Prices must be stated in units of quantity specified in the Bid specifications. In case of discrepancy in computing the amount of the Bid, the UNIT PRICE quoted will govern. All prices must be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid (unless otherwise stated in special conditions). Discount options to be given for prompt payment must be made aware of. Award, if made, will be in accordance with terms and conditions stated herein. Each item must be bid separately and no attempt is to be made to tie any item or items in with any other item or items. All prices quoted shall be fixed per initial term of Bid/Contract unless otherwise specified in Special Conditions. Prices negotiated during renewal terms shall remain firm and fixed for the duration of the renewal period. Cash discounts for prompt payment shall not be considered in determining the lowest net cost for bid evaluation purposes

3 TAXES: Wellington is exempt from all Federal Excise and State taxes. The applicable tax exemption number is shown on the Purchase Order. This exemption does not apply to purchases of tangible personal property made by contractors who use the tangible personal property in the performance of contracts for the improvement of Wellington owned real property as defined in Chapter 192, F.S.

4 MINOR IRREGULARITIES/RIGHT TO REJECT: Bidders are expected to examine the specifications, delivery schedules, Bid prices and extensions and all instructions pertaining to supplies and services. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk. Only Wellington reserves the right to waive irregularities or informalities in Bids or to reject all Bids or any part of any Bid deemed necessary for the best interest of the Wellington. Wellington may reject any response not submitted in the manner specified by the solicitation documents.

5 MANUFACTURERS NAME AND APPROVED EQUIVALENTS: Any manufacturers' names, trade names, brand names, information and/or catalog numbers listed in a specification are for information and not intended to limit competition. The bidder may offer any brand for which he is an authorized representative, which meets or exceeds the specifications for any item(s).

If and whenever in the Bid specifications that a brand name, make, name of any manufacturer, trade name or vendor catalog number is mentioned it is for the purpose of establishing a grade or quality of

material only. Reference to literature submitted with a previous bid will not satisfy this provision. Since Wellington does not wish to rule out other competition and equal brands or makes, the phrase "OR EQUAL" is added. However, if a product other than that specified is bid on, it is the vendor's responsibility to name such a product within his/her bid and proves to Wellington that said product is equal to that specified and to submit brochures, samples, and or specifications in detail on item(s) submitted. Wellington reserves the right to determine acceptance of item(s) as an approved equivalent.

A. UNIT OF MEASUREMENT (UOM) AND PACKAGING SPECIFICATIONS: Bid price and extension given per line item(s) must be converted to reflect prescribed UOM in the bid form. If required and applicable, exact packaging specifications of materials per line item must be furnished for clarification and information in consideration of awarding contract.

B. SUBSTITUTIONS: Wellington, Florida WILL NOT accept substitute shipments of any kind. Bidder(s) is expected to furnish the specific material and brand quoted in their Bid once awarded. Any substitute shipments will be returned at the bidder's expense.

C. OPEN MARKET PURCHASE: If to the extent materials and/or services cannot be obtained through successful bidder because of conformity, Wellington may purchase on the open market. Any increase in cost may be charged against the Proposer. Any violation of these stipulations may also result in bidders' Name being removed from the vendor list.

D. UNDERWRITERS' LABORATORIES: Unless otherwise stipulated in the Bid, all manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall be U.L. listed or re-examination listing where such has been established by U.L. for the item(s) offered and furnished.

6 MATERIALS/PRODUCTS QUALITY: Items may be tested for compliance with specifications. Any item delivered, not conforming to specifications, may be rejected and returned at bidder's expense. These items and items not delivered as per delivery date in Bid and/or purchase order may be purchased on the open market. Any increase in cost may be charged against the bidder.

7 PATENTS & ROYALTIES: The bidder, without exception, shall indemnify and save harmless Wellington and its employees from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses for, or on account of, any copyrighted, patented, or unpatented invention, process, or article manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including its use by Wellington. If the bidder uses any design, device or materials covered by letters, patent, or copyright, it is mutually understood and agreed, without exception, that the Bid prices shall include all royalties or cost arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work.

8 SAMPLES: Samples of items, when required, must be furnished free of expense and, if not destroyed, will, upon request, be returned at the bidder's expense. Bidders will be responsible for the removal of all samples furnished within (30) days after Bid opening. All samples will be disposed of after thirty (30) days. Each individual sample must be labeled with bidder's name. Failure of bidder to either deliver required samples or to clearly identify samples may be reason for rejection of the Bid. Unless otherwise indicated, samples should

be delivered to the Purchasing Division, 12300 Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington, Florida 33414 or User Department location if given.

- 9 DEFAULT/FAILURE TO PERFORM:** Wellington shall be the sole judge of nonperformance, which shall include any failure on the part of the successful bidder to accept the award, to furnish required documents, and/or to fulfill any portion of this contract within the time stipulated. Upon default by the successful bidder to meet any terms of this agreement, the Purchasing Division will notify the bidder three (3) days (Fridays, weekends and holidays excluded) to remedy the default. Failure on the contractor's part to correct the default within the required three (3) days shall result in the contract being terminated and upon the Purchasing Division notifying in writing the contractor of its intentions and the effective date of the termination. The following shall constitute default: Wellington may terminate the Contract if the Bidder/Contractor/Offeror fails to (1) deliver the product within the time specified in the Contract or any extension, (2) maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the Contract, (3) honor any term of the Contract, or (4) abide by any statutory, regulatory, or licensing requirement. Any violation of these stipulations may also result in Bidder's Name being removed from the vendor list.
- 10 DELIVERY:** Prices shall include all charges for packing, handling, freight, distribution, and inside delivery. Unless actual date of delivery is specified (or if specified delivery cannot be met), show number of days (in calendar days) required to make delivery after receipt of purchase order, in space provided. Transportation of ALL materials/products shall be FOB Destination to any point within thirty (30) days after Wellington places an Order. Delivery time may become a basis for making an award. Delivery shall be within the normal working hours of Wellington, Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays, unless otherwise specified.
- 11 INTERPRETATIONS:** Unless otherwise stated in the Bid, any questions concerning conditions and specifications should be submitted in writing to The Purchasing Division before Bid opening date with address stated above. Inquiries must reference the date of bid opening and bid number. No interpretation shall be considered binding unless provided in writing by Purchasing Division in response to requests in full compliance with this provision. Interpretations will be made in the form of an addendum with all parties/bidders informed through demandstar.com posting and/or through hard copies when minimal changes are required. Bidder must submit to Wellington Purchasing Division at least seven (7) calendar days prior to scheduled Bid opening, a request for clarification. All such requests for clarification must be made in writing and the person submitting the request will be responsible for its timely delivery.
- 12 DISPUTES:** Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Director of Office of Financial Management and Budget (OFMB) or his/her designee, may appeal to Wellington Manager within seven (7) days from the date of the Director of OFMB or designee's written decision. Said appeal shall be in writing and shall state with specificity the grounds therefore and also the action requested of Wellington Manager. Wellington shall issue a Formal Addendum if substantial changes which impact the technical submission of bids are required. A copy of such Addendum will be sent to each bidder receiving the Invitation to Bid. In the event of conflict with the original Contract Documents, Addendum shall govern all other Contract Documents to the extent specified. Subsequent addendum shall govern over prior addendum only to the extent specified.

- 13 LIMITATIONS ON VENDOR CONTACT WITH CITY DURING SOLICITATION PERIOD:** Bidders to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any City of Wellington employee or official concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the Purchasing Division or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.
- 14 AWARDS:** Wellington reserves the right to reject any and all Bids or any portion of any Bid deemed necessary in the best interest of Wellington; to accept any item or group of items; to acquire additional quantities at prices quoted on the Bid Form unless additional quantities are not acceptable, in which case the Bid Form must be noted "BID IS FOR SPECIFIED QUANTITY ONLY". All awards made as a result of this Bid shall conform to applicable Federal, State, County, Local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. No bid will be accepted from, nor will any contract be awarded to any person or firm which is in arrears to Wellington upon any debt or contract or which is a defaulter as surety or otherwise upon any obligation to Wellington or who has failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with Wellington.

If the Bidder is in default, Wellington, through the Purchasing Division, will void its acceptance of the Bidder's offer and may determine to select the second lowest responsive, responsible Bidder for award or re-solicit Bids. Wellington may, at its sole option, seek monetary restitution from the defaulting Bidder as a result of damages or excess costs sustained and/or may prohibit the Bidder from submitting future Bids for a period of one year.

- (a) No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 120 days after time of award by Wellington Council.
- (b) As the best interest of Wellington may require, the right is reserved to make award by individual item, group of items, all or none, or multiple vendors. Bidders are cautioned to make no assumptions unless their bid has been evaluated as being responsive, responsible and determined to provide the overall best Value to Wellington.
- (c) **LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY:** Preferable consideration is given when awarding contract in accordance with the Wellington's Local Preference Policy found in Resolution No. R2009-91 Section 2.12.F of Wellington's Purchasing and Procurement Manual, as amended from time to time. This Preference includes:
- (1) Western Communities local business with permanent location and headquarters zoned within the boundaries west of the Florida Turnpike, north of Lantana Road, south of Okeechobee Boulevard and U.S. Highway 98, east of Palm Beach County western boundary;
 - (2) Palm Beach County local business with principal permanent location and corporate headquarters within Palm Beach County, Florida.
- (d) Wellington reserves the right to exercise the option to renew a term contract of any successful Bidder(s) to a subsequent optional period; provided that such option is stipulated in the Special Conditions and is contained in any contract ultimately awarded in regard to this Bid.

(e) Wellington reserves the right to automatically extend any contract for a maximum period not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days in order to provide Wellington user departments with continual service and supplies while a new contract is being solicited, evaluated and/or awarded.

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hile Wellington may determine to award a contract to a Bidder(s) under this Invitation to Bid, said award may be conditional on the subsequent submission of other documents as specified in the Special Conditions. The Bidder shall be in default of any conditional award if any of these documents are not submitted in a timely manner and in the form required by Wellington. If the Bidder is in default, Wellington, through the Purchasing Division will void its acceptance of the Bidder's offer and may determine to select the second lowest responsive, responsible Bidder or re-solicit Bids. Wellington may, at its sole option, seek monetary restitution from the defaulting Bidder as a result of damages or excess costs sustained and/or may prohibit the Bidder from submitting future Bids for a period of one year.

15 BID OPENING: Bids shall be opened and publicly read at 12300 Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington, Florida 33414 on the date and at the time specified on the Bid Form. All Bids received after that time shall be returned, unopened. It is the bidders' responsibility to assure that his bid is delivered at the proper time and place before time of bid opening.

17 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS: Federal, State, County and Local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the items covered herein apply. Lack of knowledge by any bidder will in no way be a cause for relief from legal responsibility.

18 INDEMNIFICATION: Regardless of the coverage provided by any insurance, the successful bidder shall indemnify, save harmless and defend Wellington, its agents, servants, or employees from and against any and all claims, liability, losses and/or causes of action which may arise from any negligent act or omission of the successful bidder, its subcontractors, agents, servants or employees during the course of performing services caused by the goods provided pursuant to these bid documents and/or resultant contract.

19 OSHA: The bidder warrants that the product and services supplied to Wellington, Florida shall conform in all respects to the standards set forth in the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended, and the failure to comply with this condition will be considered as a breach of contract. Any fines levied because of inadequacies to comply with these requirements shall be borne solely by the bidder responsible for same.

20 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: The bidder shall, if required, maintain suitable and sufficient guards and barriers and, at night, suitable and sufficient lighting for the prevention of accidents and all minimum safety standards required by municipal, County, State and Federal ordinances and laws shall be strictly met by the bidder.

21 SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Any and all Special Conditions that may vary from these General Conditions shall have precedence.

22 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION: The bidder certifies compliance with the non-discrimination clause contained in Section 202, Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, relative to equal

employment opportunity for all persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

23 QUALITY AND CONDITION: All materials used for the manufacture or construction of any supplies, materials or equipment covered by this Bid shall be new. The items Bid must be new, unless recycled materials are certified by bidder, the latest model, of the best quality, and highest grade workmanship.

24 LIABILITY, INSURANCE, LICENSES AND PERMITS: Where bidders are required to enter or go onto Wellington property to deliver materials or perform work or services as a result of a Bid award, the successful bidder will assume the full duty, obligation and expense of obtaining all necessary licenses, permits and insurance and assure all work complies with all Palm Beach County and Village of Wellington building requirements and the Florida Building Code. The bidder shall be liable for any damages or loss to Wellington occasioned by willful, wanton or gross negligence of the bidder (or agent) or any person the bidder has designated in the completion of the contract as a result of the Bid. **LIABILITY:** The supplier shall hold and save the State of Florida, its officers, agents, and employees harmless against claims by third parties resulting from the supplier's breach of this contract or the suppliers' negligence.

25 BID BONDS, PERFORMANCE BONDS, CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE: If Required Bid Bonds, when required, shall be submitted with the Bid in the amount specified in Special Conditions. After acceptance of Bid, The Village of Wellington will notify the successful bidder to submit a performance bond and certificate of insurance in the amount specified in Special Conditions.

26 CANCELLATION: Wellington reserves the rights to cancel in whole or in part this contract by written notice to the contractor at any time and for any reason in accordance with this clause when Wellington determines that it's in the best interest of Wellington. Cancellation shall be in effective the date specified in the notice should any of the following apply:

- A) The contractor is determined by Wellington to be in breach of any of the terms and conditions of the contract and/or to have failed to perform his/her services in a manner satisfactory to Wellington. An equitable adjustment in the contract price shall be made for completed service. No consideration will be given for anticipated loss of revenue or the canceled portions of the contract.
- B) Wellington has determined that such cancellation will be in the best interest of Wellington to cancel the contract for its own convenience.
- C) Funds are not available to cover the cost of the services. Wellington's obligation is contingent upon the availability of appropriate funds.

27 INVOICING AND PAYMENT: Invoices, unless otherwise indicated, must show purchase order numbers and shall be submitted in DUPLICATE to Accounts Payable at the prices stipulated on the contract at the time the order is placed, after delivery and acceptance of goods, less deductions if any, as provided. Failure to follow these instructions may result in delay in processing invoices for payment. **Purchase Orders.** Commodities or services are ordered by Wellington via purchase order; Contractor shall not deliver or furnish products until Wellington transmits a purchase order. All purchase orders shall bear the Contract or solicitation number, shall

be placed by Wellington directly with the Contractor, and shall be deemed to incorporate by reference the Contract and solicitation terms and conditions. Any discrepancy between the Contract terms and the terms stated on the Contractor's order form, confirmation, or acknowledgement shall be resolved in favor of terms most favorable to Wellington. **PAYMENT:** Any actual or prospective Bidder, offeror or Contractor who is aggrieved in connection with a solicitation or award of a Bid or Contract may avail themselves of the procedures contained in Ordinance 98-36 in order to resolve disputed matters or complaints. Fla. Stat. § 218.70

- 28 FACILITIES:** Wellington reserves the right to inspect the bidder's facilities at any time with prior notice.
- 29 BID TABULATIONS:** Bidders desiring a copy of the Bid tabulation may request same by enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope with the Bid. Bid tabulations with recommended awards will be posted for review by interested parties at the Clerk's Office were delivered and will remain posted for a period of 72 hours. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.
- 30 APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE:** The law of the State of Florida shall govern the contract between Wellington and the successful bidder and any action shall be brought in Palm Beach County, Florida. In the event of litigation to settle issues arising hereunder, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to recover against the other party its costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, which shall include any fees and costs attributable to appellate proceedings arising on and of such litigation.
- 31 ASSIGNMENT:** The contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of any contract, including any or all of its right, title, or interest therein, or his or its power to execute such contract to any person, company or corporation without prior written consent of Wellington, which consent may be withheld.
- 32 LAWS, PERMITS AND REGULATIONS:** The bidder shall obtain and pay for all licenses, permits and inspection fees required for this project; and shall comply with all laws, ordinances, regulation building code requirements applicable to the work contemplated herein.
- 33 OPTIONAL CONTRACT USAGE:** Other State agencies, and/or Governmental Entities in the State of Florida may purchase from the resulting contract. Contractors shall sell these commodities or services to the other State agencies and/or Governmental Entities in the State of Florida at the agencies' and/or entities option or as otherwise provided by law
- 34 SPOT MARKET PURCHASES:** It is the intent of Wellington to purchase the items specifically listed in this Bid from the selected bidder. However, items that are to be "Spot Market Purchased" may be purchased by other methods, i.e. Federal, State or local contracts.
- 35 WARRANTIES OF USAGE:** Any estimated quantities listed are for information and tabulation purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities needed is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish Wellington's needs as they arise.
- 36 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES:** As provided in Fla. Stat. § 287.133(2)(a), a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a

Bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a Bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit Bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided S.S. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

- 37 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CODE OF ETHICS:** The award is subject to provisions of State Statutes and Wellington policies. All Bidders must disclose with their Bid the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of Wellington. Further, all Bidders must disclose the name of any Wellington employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of 5% or more in the Bidder's firm or any of its branches. If any Bidder violates or is a party to a violation of the code of ethics of Wellington and the State of Florida with respect to this Bid, such Bidder may be disqualified from performing the work described in this Bid or from furnishing the goods or services for which the Bid is submitted and shall be further disqualified from bidding on any future Bids for work or for goods or services for Wellington. A copy of Wellington and State Ethics Codes is available at the office of Wellington Clerk, Wellington of Wellington, 12300 Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington FL 33414.
- 38 NON-COLLUSION:** Bidder certifies that this offer is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting an offer for the same materials, services, supplies, or equipment and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.
No premiums, rebates or gratuities are permitted, either with, prior to or after any delivery of material or provision of services. Any violation of this provision may result in the Contract cancellation, return of materials or discontinuation of services and the possible removal from the vendor Bid list(s).
- 39 PUBLIC RECORDS:** All material submitted regarding this bid becomes the property of Wellington. Bids may be reviewed by any person ten (10) days after the public opening. Bidders should take special note of this as it relates to any proprietary information that might be included in their offer. Fla. Stat. § 119.07

Any resulting contract may be reviewed by any person after the contract has been executed by Wellington. Wellington has the right to use any or all information/material submitted in response to this bid and/or any resulting contract from same. Disqualification of a bidder does not eliminate this right.
- 41 TIE BIDS:** In the event of an identical tied bid, preference will be given to local vendors.
- 42 ADDITION OR DELETION OF TERMS OR CONDITIONS:** No addition or deletion of the terms or conditions included with the bid response shall be evaluated or considered and any and all such revisions shall have no force and effect and are inapplicable to this bid. If submitted either purposely through intent or design or inadvertently appearing separately in transmittal letters, specifications, literature, price lists or warranties, it is understood and agreed the general and special conditions in this bid solicitation are the only conditions applicable to this bid and the bidders authorized signature affixed to the bidder acknowledgment form attests to this.

- 43 GOVERNMENTAL RESTRICTIONS:** In the event any governmental restrictions may be imposed which would necessitate alteration of the material, quality, workmanship or performance of the items offered on this bid prior to their delivery, it shall be the responsibility of the supplier to notify the ordering agency at once, indicating in his/her letter the specific regulation which required an alteration. Wellington reserves the right to accept any such alteration, including any price adjustments occasioned thereby, or to cancel the contract at no further expense to Wellington.

NOTE

ANY AND ALL SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS ATTACHED HERETO WHICH VARY FROM THESE GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS SHALL HAVE PRECEDENCE.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PURPOSE: The purpose and intent of this invitation to bid is to secure firm fixed pricing and establish a term contract for the Purchase and Delivery of Sod as specified herein.

TERM OF CONTRACT: The term of the contract shall be for (2) two years from date of award, and by mutual agreement between the Wellington and the awardee(s), be renewable for two additional one year periods. Wellington reserves the right to exercise the option to renew annually (subject to the appropriation of funds), not to exceed a maximum of two additional one year renewals. Annual renewals will be based upon mutual agreement between Wellington and vendor, and by incorporating the same terms and conditions. Renewals will be by a written notice from Wellington, and acceptance by the awarded vendor(s). The written notice will generally be provided about ninety (90) days prior to the contract expiration date. The pricing submitted for the initial period of the contract will remain fixed. There will be no allowable price escalations for services, materials, or fuel costs throughout the initial term contract term.

RENEWAL: Pricing adjustments may be permitted at the time of contract renewal through a process of negotiation if mutually agreed upon by both parties and deemed advantageous to Wellington.

Upon the anniversary date of each renewal period, the awarded vendor may submit a requested price increase to the Purchasing Department in writing, ninety (90) days prior to the renewal period with proper justification for the increase. No more than one price increase will be accepted during each. Wellington reserves the right to accept or reject the price increase and may choose to re-bid the contract if it is deemed to be in the best interest of Wellington. The contract will be extended 90 days beyond the contract expiration date, if needed. Bidders agree to this extension when they sign their bid document.

Orders will be placed to the successful bidder(s) on an as-needed when-needed basis to meet Wellington's usage requirements.

Wellington reserves the right to order as and when required. No delivery shall become due to be acceptable without a purchase order by Wellington.

METHOD OF AWARD: Successful Bidder awarded shall ensure that proper and sufficient staff, equipment, organization, etc. will be provided for this contract to meet the specifications denoted herein at a paramount level. Wellington may elect to award a two year Contract to more than one (1) Bidder. Wellington reserves the right to make the award to a responsible bidder submitting a responsive bid most advantageous and in the best interest of Wellington. Wellington shall be the sole judge of the bids and Wellington's decision shall be final. As the best interest of the Village may require, the right is reserved to make award(s) by individual item, group of items, all or none, or a combination thereof.

Once opened, the bids will be tabulated and evaluated by Wellington before recommendation and/or notice of intent to award. Wellington, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids for any reason whatsoever. Wellington further reserves the right to waive irregularities and technicalities and/or to request resubmission. There is no obligation on the part of Wellington to award the bid to the lowest bidder, or any bidder..

Wellington intends to award a contract to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder for the services specified within this bid document, taking into consideration experience, staffing, equipment, materials, references and past performance. In case of disputes in the award of the contract, the decision of Wellington shall be final and binding on both parties. **NOTE: NO CONTRACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UNLESS AND UNTIL IT HAS BEEN COMPLETELY EXECUTED BY BOTH PARTIES.**

WORK AUTHORIZATION/PLACING ORDERS: Orders shall strictly be based on Wellington's Unit Price Schedule (Schedule of Values). Bidders may bid on any or all individual line items as outlined in the Bid form in which they are licensed and qualified. Failure to not bid on all items will not be a basis for disqualification. However, all blanks should be filled-in as not applicable if no bid is provided for that item.

PAYMENT: Payment will be made upon receipt and acceptance of the complete unit(s). No down or partial down payments will be made.

All bid prices must include freight prepaid to location specified on purchase order in Wellington, Florida.

DELIVERY: Material and services in this Invitation to Bid are for City-wide use and is not for delivery to any central location. Deliveries are to be FOB Destination as per purchase orders or as advised by a Wellington representative or project manager.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OF UNITS: (NOT USED)

PRICES SHALL BE FIXED AND FIRM FOR TERM OF CONTRACT: If the bidder(s) is awarded a contract under this solicitation, the prices quoted by the bidder on the Bid Form shall remain fixed and firm during the term of contract; provided, however, that the bidder may offer incentive discounts from the fixed price to Wellington at any time during the contractual term.

PRE-PROPOSAL: (NOT USED)

INSURANCE: Bidders must submit with their bid, proof of insurance meeting or exceeding the Following requirements or a letter of intent to provide the following requirements if awarded the contract:

- 2.7.1 Worker's Compensation Insurance – as required by law. The Village of Wellington will not accept filed certificates of exemption forms for Worker's Compensation Insurance.
- 2.7.2 Employer's Liability Insurance - \$1,000,000. per occurrence, \$100,000,000. disease policy limit, and \$500,000 disease each employee
- 2.7.3 General Liability Insurance - \$1,000,000 general aggregate, \$1,000,000 per person, \$500,000 each occurrence and \$500,000 per accident for bodily injury
- 2.7.4 Automobile Liability Insurance for owned vehicles, non-owned vehicles & hired vehicles - \$500,000 annual aggregate, \$500,000 per occurrence, \$500,000 per accident for bodily injury and \$500,000 per accident for property damage

The required insurance coverage shall be issued by an insurance company authorized and licensed to do business in the State of Florida, with the minimum rating of B+ or better, in accordance with the latest edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Guide.

The successful bidder must submit, no later than ten (10) days after award and prior to commencement of any work, a Certificate of Insurance naming the Village of Wellington as additional insured.

CONTACT PERSON: For any additional information regarding the specifications and requirements of this bid, contact: Jamison Mao at 561/371-9737.

SAMPLES: (NOT USED)

BID CLARIFICATION: Any questions or clarifications concerning this Bid shall be submitted in writing by mail or facsimile to the Purchasing Division, 12300 Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington, Florida 33414, FAX: (561) 791-4045. The bid title/number shall be referenced on all correspondence. All questions must be received no later than stated in this BID TIMELINE. All responses to questions/clarifications will be sent to all prospective bidders in the form of an addendum. NO QUESTIONS WILL BE RECEIVED VERBALLY OR AFTER SAID DEADLINE.

PROPOSAL/PERFORMANCE BOND: (NOT USED)

MARKET PRICING: (NOT USED)

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: (NOT USED)

GUARANTEE: The successful bidder will be required to guarantee all products supplied to be in compliance with the specifications.

Any and all deliveries of products found not to be in compliance must be removed immediately and replaced at bidder's expense.

WARRANTY: Unit(s) to have full factory warranty. No demonstrators, etc., will be accepted. Manufacturer's warranty information must be submitted with Bid Form.

PRODUCT/CATALOG INFORMATION: All bidders must submit catalog/product and specification information on the unit(s) they propose to furnish on this ITB. Failure to submit such information will result in rejection of your bid.

REFERENCES: (NOT USED)

COMPLETE PROJECT REQUIRED: These specifications describe the type of product required, enumerating or defining the extent of same necessary, but failure to list any items or classes under scope of the several sections shall not relieve the bidder from furnishing or delivering where required by any part of these specifications to the satisfaction of Wellington.

BID SUBMITTAL: All bids submitted shall include the completed Bid Form and all required product information and any other items as indicated on the Bid Form. Bids will be considered “Non-Responsive” if the required information is not submitted by the date and time specified. Before submitting bid, each bidder shall make all investigations and examinations necessary to ascertain if any addendums were issued by the Purchasing Division.

LATE BIDS: Wellington cannot be responsible for bids received after opening time and encourages early submittal.

EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS: Exceptions to the specifications shall be listed on the Bid Form and shall reference the section. Any exceptions to the General or Special Conditions shall be cause for the bid to be considered non-responsive.

COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED ON BID FORM: All bids must be submitted on the attached Bid Form and all blanks filled in. To be considered a valid proposal, the ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of the Invitation for Bid and Bid Form pages must be returned, properly completed, in a sealed envelope as outlined in the first paragraph of General Conditions.

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES: (NOT USED)

SUBCONTRACTORS: Exceptions to the specifications shall be listed on the Bid Form and shall reference the section. Any exceptions to the General or Special Conditions shall be cause for the bid to be considered non-responsive.

The following language is made a part hereof: If and whenever in the specifications of the bid of a brand name, make, name of any manufacturer, trade name or vendor catalog number is mentioned it is for the purposes of establishing a grade or quality of material only. Since the Village of Wellington and its dependant district do not wish to rule out other competition and equal brands or makes, the phrase “OR EQUAL” is added. However, if a product other than that specified is proposed, it is the vendor’s, or bidder’s responsibility to name such product within his, her or its bid and to prove to Wellington that said product is equal to that specified and to submit brochures, samples, and or specifications in detail on item(s) submitted. Wellington shall be the sole judge concerning the merits of the bid submitted.

ACCEPTANCE: Delivery of the unit(s) and product to Wellington does not constitute acceptance for the purpose of payment. Final acceptance and authorization of payment shall be given only after a thorough inspection indicates that the unit(s) and product meets contract specifications and conditions. The unit(s) and product will be inspected and accepted by the using Department. Unit(s) and product must be in conformance with the specifications and that the engineering materials and workmanship exhibit a level of quality and appearance consistence with or exceeding industry standards. It will be the responsibility of the successful bidder to pick up any unit(s) found unacceptable. After notification, the successful bidder will have five (5) working days to respond and make the necessary arrangement to pick up unit(s), and to redeliver same in five (5) working days after date of pick up. Units not in compliance with bidder specifications are not eligible for, or considered delivered until corrections have been accomplished and in compliance.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

All sod specified in this bid document shall be in compliance with standards established by the Turf green Producers Association of Florida and the Seed Certification Association, Inc. All sod shall be commercial grade quality. The Tifway 419 Bermuda sod shall be sand grown premium grade. The sod shall not contain any broadleaf or torpedo grass and no more than 2% of any other grass or weeds. All sod shall be checked for the pubescence on the upper surface that is characteristic of 419 Bermuda.

Sod shall be well matted with heavy root development, firm texture, strongly rooted, not less than two years old. Sod shall contain no objectionable vegetation, fungi, fire ants, or disease and machine cut to pad thickness of $\frac{3}{4}$ " (plus or minus $\frac{1}{4}$ ") excluding top growth and thatch. Provide only sod capable of vigorous growth and development when planted. The soil embedded in the sod shall be free of stones.

The sod shall be cut in commercial size rectangles, with maximum 5% deviation in either length or width. Broken pads or pads with uneven ends will not be acceptable. Sod pads incapable of supporting their own weight when suspended vertically with a firm grasp on upper 10% of pad will be rejected.

A. St AUGUSTINE FLORATAM SOLID SOD (Shenotaphrum Secundatum): Commercial quality grade as specified by the Southern Seed Certification Association, Inc. including but not limited to the following

- Sod shall be well matted with strong developed roots and be not less than two years old. Free of weeds and undesirable native grasses. Sod containing Bermuda grass will not be accepted
- Machine cut pad size: 12" X 24" X $\frac{3}{4}$ " (+1/4") excluding top growth and thatch. Must be mowed two days prior to cut and able to remain intact when suspended vertically with a firm grasp on upper 10% of pad.
- Sod must be viable (not dormant) and capable of vigorous growth when planted

B. BAHIA (Pasaalum Notatum Argentine): Commercial quality grade as specified by the Southern Seed Certification Association, Inc. including but not limited to the following

- Sod shall be well matted with strong developed roots and be not less than two years old. Free of weeds and undesirable native grasses. Sod containing Bermuda grass will not be accepted
- Machine cut pad size: 12" X 24" X $\frac{3}{4}$ " (+1/4") excluding top growth and thatch. Must be mowed two days prior to cut and able to remain intact when suspended vertically with a firm grasp on upper 10% of pad.
- Sod must be viable (not dormant) and capable of vigorous growth when planted

C. CERTIFIED BERMUDA (Tifway 419): Sod is to be certified by the Turf Green Producers Association of Florida and Southern Seed Certification Association, Inc. An official labeling certificate is to accompany each shipment of sod.

- Bermuda sod shall be of premium grade and sand grown. No broadleaf weeds and no more than two percent of any other grass or weeds. Sod shall possess characteristic upper surface pubescence. Sod shall be well matted with strong developed roots and be not less than two years old

- Machine cut pad size 12" X 24" (except for Big Roll" Bermuda Sod which shall be delivered as harvested 42" wide x 60" long rolls) x ¾" (+1/4") excluding top growth and thatch. Must be mowed two days prior to cut and able to remain intact when suspended vertically with a firm grasp on 10% of pad

- Sod must be viable (not dormant) and capable of vigorous growth when planted.

D. CERTIFIED PLAYGROUND WOODCHIP: (See line Item No 32). Product is made of pine wood and chipped approximately ¾" minus in size. Product. Chip should not contain an excessive of other materials that would constitute a menace or unsafe playground turf. Product or equivalent must be IPEMA Certified ASTM F1292-04.

E. PINE STRAW MULCH: (See line Item No 30). Product shall conform to the following:

- Be satisfactory to Wellington's use.
- Be of such consistency that, when properly loosened, it can be distributed in a uniform application
- The pine straw should be hand raked, free of sticks, pine cones, weeds, and/or litter. Straw shall be clean and red in color with adequate moisture for appearance. Aged, discolored, or deteriorated straw is not acceptable.
- Nominal size of a bale of pine straw shall be 14" x 14" x 28" packed. A bale of pine should cover sixty (45) square feet, with a nominal thickness, when spread, of two (2) inches.

F. MULCH: . Product shall conform to the following:

- Cypress red mulch shredded shall be grade-cypress mulch consistent in size. Shreds no larger than 6" x 2", free of weeds, seeds, insects, trash and debris. Cypress wood to be lumber mill byproduct, not forest but. Mulch will be purchased in bulk truckloads and for designated projects.

G. SHREDDED MULCH: Product shall conform to the following:

- Shreds and chips shall not be larger than 6" by 2". Shall not contain more than 5-10% foreign matter, such as soil, leaves, twigs, etc. Free of weeds seeds. ("C grade"). **Blown applications may be required.**

H. SEEDING: Product shall conform to the following:

QUESTIONNAIRE

The following Questionnaire shall be completed and submitted in Envelope with the Bid. By submission of this Bid, Bidder guarantees the truth and accuracy of all statements and answers herein contained.

1. How many years has your organization been in business? _____

2. What is the last project of this nature that you have completed?

3. Have you ever failed to complete work awarded to you? If so, where and why? _____

4. Name three individuals or corporations for which you have performed work and to which you refer:

Name	Address	Phone	Fax
Name	Address	Phone	Fax
Name	Address	Phone	Fax

5. List the following information concerning all contracts in progress as of the date of submission of this bid. (In case of co-venture, list the information for all co-venturers.)

Name of Project	Owner	Total Contract Value	Contracted Date of Completion	% of Completion to Date

6. Has the bidder or his or her representative inspected the proposed project and does the Bidder have a complete plan for its performance? _____

7. Will you subcontract any part of this work? If so, give details including a list of each subcontractor(s) that will perform work in excess of the percent (10%) of the contract amount and the work that will be performed by each subcontractor(s).

Subcontractor	Work to be Performed

8. What equipment do you own that is available for the work? _____

Equipment Type	Equipment Type

9. What equipment will you purchase for the proposed work? _____

10. What equipment will you rent for the proposed work? _____

11. State the name of your proposed project manager and give details of his or her qualifications and experience in managing similar jobs.

- The address of principal place of business is _____
- The names of the Corporate Officers, or Partners, or Individuals doing business under a trade name, are as follows: _____

- List all organizations which were predecessors to Bidder or in which the principals or officers of the Bidder were principals or officers. _____
- List and describe all bankruptcy petitions (Voluntary or Involuntary) which have been filed by or against the Bidder, its parent or subsidiaries or predecessor organizations during the past five (5) years. Include in the description the disposition of each such petition. _____
- List and describe all successful Performance or Payment Bond claims made to your surety(ies) during the last five (5) years. The list and descriptions should include claims against the bond of the Bidder and its predecessor organization(s). _____
- List all claims, arbitrations, administrative hearings and lawsuits brought by or against the Bidder or its predecessor organization(s) during the last five (5) years. The list shall include all case names; case, arbitration, or hearing identification numbers; the name of the project over which the dispute arose; and a description of the subject matter of the dispute. _____
- List and describe all criminal proceedings or hearings concerning business related offenses in which the Bidder, its principals or officers or predecessor organization (s) were defendants. _____
- Has the Bidder, its principals, officers, or predecessor organization(s) been debarred or suspended from bidding by any government during the last five (5) years? If yes, provide details. _____
- List and disclose any and all business relations with any members of Wellington Council. _____

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SCHEDULE OF VALUES

1.	FLORATAM – PICKED UP LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	15.	BAHIA – PICKED UP LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
2.	FLORATAM – PICKED UP 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	16.	BAHIA – PICKED UP 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
3.	FLORATAM – DELIVERED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	17.	BAHIA – DELIVERED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
4.	FLORATAM – DELIVERED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	18.	BAHIA – DELIVERED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
5.	FLORATAM DELIVERED AND INSTALLED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	19.	BAHIA DELIVERED AND INSTALLED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
6.	FLORATAM DELIVERED AND INSTALLED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	20.	BAHIA DELIVERED AND INSTALLED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
7.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA – PICKED UP LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	21.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL PICKED UP LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
8.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA – PICKED UP 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	22.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL PICKED UP 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
9.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA – DELIVERED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	23.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL-DELIVERED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
10.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA – DELIVERED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	24.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL DELIVERED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
11.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA DELIVERED AND INSTALLED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	25.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL DELIVERED AND INSTALLED LESS THAN 1,500 SQ. FT. COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
12.	CERTIFIED BERMUDA DELIVERED AND INSTALLED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	26.	BERMUDA BIG ROLL DELIVERED AND INSTALLED 1,500 SQ. FT. AND OVER COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
13	FLORATAM Sod Cutting and removal of vegetation – Vendor prepared surface COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	27.	BAHIA Sod Cutting and removal of vegetation – Vendor prepared surface COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$
28	BERMUDA Sod Cutting and removal of vegetation – Vendor prepared surface COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$	29.	FLORATAM Sod Cutting and removal of vegetation – Vendor prepared surface (Vendor shall remove all mesh materials from rolled sod prior to installation) COST PER SQUARE FOOT	\$

30	Pine Straw Mulch (PER BALE)	\$	31	Certified Playground Woodchip Mulch PER CUBIC FEET	\$
32	Pine Straw Mulch – Quantities of 1200 bales or more (PER TRUCKLOAD)		33	Cypress Shredded Mulch PER CUBIC YARD	
34	Bulk Mulch Red (Cypress Shredded Certified PER CUBIC YARD)	\$	35	Cypress GOLD Shredded Mulch PER BAG	\$
36	Bulk Mulch GOLD (Cypress Shredded Certified PER CUBIC YARD)	\$	37	Ryegrass seed- Royal Flush Blend- 1/3 Sonata PRG, 1/3 Jet PRG, 1/3 Shining Star PRG (POA FREE) – (delivery) COST PER POUND	\$
38	Melaleuca Shredded Mulch PER CUBIC YARD	\$	39	Bermuda Triangle bucket- 3 types blended. COST PER POUND	\$
40	Cypress RED Shredded Mulch PER BAG	\$	41	Mulch RED/GOLD <u>Blown Application</u> <u>COST PER CUBIC YARD</u>	
42	Princess 77 Bermudagrass seed – Delivery COST PER POUND	\$			\$
43	A certified seed tag shall accompany all seed bids from the lot or lots being offered. Seed harvested not longer than 14 months from date of delivery. Germination test shall be within eight months of delivery.		Seed shall be <u>CLARIFIED ARGENTINE BAHIA GRASS SEED</u> : The seed shall meet or exceed in quality the following guaranteed analysis: 90% Germination 95% Purity 0.02% other Crop Seed 0.0% Noxious Weed Seed 0.02/a Weed Seed		50 Pound Bags \$ _____ Per Pound

CHECK LIST

The Solicitation Preparation Checklist is a guide to assist the Respondent in verifying the completeness of their response. The Solicitation Preparation Checklist does not relieve the Respondent of the responsibility of ensuring that all requirements of the solicitation are met with submittal of their response. Check off each of the following as you comply:

Note: Please provide the following forms in the same alignment as seen in the chart below

FORMS	Circle YES or NO if requested submittal is provided		Circle YES or NO if submittal was completed	
Bid Acknowledgement Cover Page w/ Signature	YES	NO	YES	NO
Electronic Funds Transfer <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Visa Application <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Drug Free Workplace <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Sworn Statement/Public Entity Crimes <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Local Preference Application <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Evidence of Business Insurance	YES	NO	YES	NO
Schedule of Values <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Bid Submittal <u>Form</u>	YES	NO	YES	NO
Questionnaire <u>Form</u>				
CONFIRMATION: Addendum (if any/posted www.demandstar.com) submitted for acknowledgement.	YES	NO	Record addendum Number(s) here	

BID SUBMITTAL

To:

Village of Wellington

12300 Forest Hill Blvd.

Wellington, Florida 33414

(Vendor)

agrees to provide Products and Services in accordance with the requirements and specifications of the Bid Documents for the Village of Wellington as specified herein for the **Term Contract for Mulch, Sod, Pine Straw and Ground Preparation.**

Gentlemen:

The undersigned Bidder has carefully examined the Specification requirements, Bid/Contract Documents and is familiar with the nature and extent of the Work and any local conditions that may in any manner affect the Work to be done.

The undersigned agrees to provide the service called for by the Specifications and Bid Documents, in the manner prescribed therein and to the standards of quality and performance established by the Village for the Bid price stated in the spaces herein provided.

The undersigned agrees to the right of the Village to hold all Bids and Bid guarantees for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days after the date of Bid opening stated in the Invitation to Bid.

The undersigned accepts the invoicing and payment policies specified in the Bid.

Dated this _____ day of _____, _____
(Month) (Year)

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER FORM

Note: Vendors will be paid by electronic funds transfers (EFT) directly to their bank accounts; therefore, a copy of a voided check must be attached at the bottom.

Vendor Name:
Vendor Address:
City:
State, Zip:
Authorized Signatory:
Email Address:
Taxpayer ID Number or Social Security Number:

I (we) hereby authorize the WELLINGTON, hereinafter called Wellington, to initiate credit entries and, if necessary, to initiate debit entries and adjustments for any credit entries in error to my (our) account:

Bank Name:			
Bank Address:			
City:			
State, Zip:			
BK/Transit/ABA/NO:			
Account Number:			
Account Type:	Checking		Saving

This authority is to remain in full force and effect until Wellington has received written notification from our company or authorized representative of the company of its termination in such time and in such manner, as to afford Wellington and the financial institution(s) named above a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Pleas tape (do not staple) voided check or saving deposit slip

Here

Account Payable will return forms without a voided slip bearing your Financial Institution's

routing and account number for new direct deposits.

VISA APPLICATION FORM

Please return the completed Vendor Application and related forms to :

City of Wellington
Finance Department c/o Accounts Payable
14000 Greenbriar Blvd. Wellington, FL 33414

You may fill these forms out and return them via e-mail to:

apvendors@wellingtonfl.gov

Business Legal Name:								
DBA:								
Web Address:								
Taxpayer ID # & Type:				EIN			SSN	
Organization Type:				Sole Proprietor		Company		
Classification:	Individual	Corporation			LLC		Partnership	

Remittance Information:

Remittance Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Contact Name:	
Phone:	
Fax:	
Email Address:	

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DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. Whenever two or more Bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the Owner for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a Bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures for processing tie Bids will be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program. In order to have a drug-free workplace program, a business must attest to the following:

1. We publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. We inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3. We give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under Bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
4. We, in the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under Bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. We impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
6. We make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

Contractor's Signature

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR SUBMITTAL

**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 287.133(3)(a),
FLORIDA STATUTES, ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to _____
[print name of the public entity]
by _____ for _____
[print name of entity submitting sworn statement] [print individual's name and title]
whose business address is _____ and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification
Number (FEIN) is _____ (If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn
statement: _____.)
2. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation.
3. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
4. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means:
- a. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or
 - b. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.
4. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(c), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.
6. Based on information and belief, the statement which I have marked below is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. [Please indicate which statement applies.]
- _____ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.
- _____ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.
- _____ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of its officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in the management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989. However, there has been a subsequent proceeding before a Hearing Officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings and the Final Order entered by the Hearing Officer determined that it was not in the public interest to place the entity submitting this sworn statement on the convicted vendor list. [attach a copy of the final order]

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE CONTRACTING OFFICER FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 1 (ONE) ABOVE IS FOR THAT PUBLIC ENTITY ONLY AND, THAT THIS FORM IS VALID THROUGH DECEMBER 31 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH IT IS FILED. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT I AM REQUIRED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC ENTITY PRIOR TO ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES FOR CATEGORY TWO OF ANY CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

STATE OF _____ [signature]

COUNTY OF _____ [date]

Subscribed and Sworn to (or affirmed) before me on _____ by _____
[date] [name]

He/she is personally known to me or has presented _____ as identification.
[type of identification]

[Notary's Signature and Seal]

Print Notary Name and Commission No.

APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED A LOCAL BUSINESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH WELLINGTON OF WELLINGTON FLORIDA'S LOCAL PREFERENCE POLICY (SECTION 2.12.F OF WELLINGTON'S PURCHASING AND PROCEDURE MANUAL)

Wellington gives preference to local businesses in certain purchasing situations as set forth in Section 2.12(F) of Wellington's Purchasing and Procurement Manual. In order to be considered a local business, entitled to be given preference, the business must make application with Wellington and meet one of the following criteria as such is more fully set forth in Section 2.12.F(2) of Wellington's Purchasing and Procurement Manual:

2.12.F (2) Definition of Local Businesses

Western Communities Local Business - For the purpose of determining a "Western Communities local business" a vendor must have a principal permanent business location and headquarters within Wellington of Wellington, Florida or west of the Florida Turnpike to the Palm Beach County western boundary line as depicted in Exhibit "A" hereto. This applies to all entity formations, including, but not limited to, limited liability companies, partnerships, limited partnerships and the like or sole proprietors. Further, the entity or sole proprietor must provide that it, he or she has been domiciled and headquartered in the jurisdictional boundaries of the Western Communities for at least six months prior to the solicitation. Post Office boxes will not be considered a permanent business location within the Western Communities. Home business offices shall be considered as a business location if it otherwise meets the requirements herein. In order to be eligible for such local preference the vendor shall have a local business tax receipt pursuant to the County's and/or municipalities' Code of Ordinances, having jurisdiction over the location of the business, unless otherwise exempt therefrom. Further, the vendor must be properly licensed and authorized by law to provide the goods, services or professional services to the extent applicable and the location of the business must be properly zoned in order for the vendor to conduct its business.

Palm Beach County local business - For the purpose of determining a "Palm Beach County local business" a vendor must have a principal permanent business location and headquarters within Palm Beach County, Florida. This applies to all entity formations, including, but not limited to, limited liability companies, partnerships, limited partnerships and the like or sole proprietors. Further, the entity or sole proprietor must provide that it, he or she has been headquartered and domiciled in the jurisdictional boundaries of Palm Beach County, Florida for at least six months prior to the solicitation. Post Office boxes will not be considered a permanent business location within Palm Beach County, Florida. Home business offices shall be considered as a business location if it otherwise meets the requirements herein. In order to be eligible for such local preference the vendor shall have a local business tax receipt pursuant to the Palm Beach County Code of Ordinances as amended from time to time, unless otherwise exempt there from. Further, the vendor must be properly licensed and authorized by law to provide the goods, services or professional services to the extent applicable and the location of the business must be properly zoned in order for the vendor to conduct its business.

Subcontractor utilization - In competitive bid situations, a business may also qualify as either a Palm Beach County or Western Community local business if they are utilizing subcontractors to perform the work or materialmen to supply the job and more than fifty (50%) percent of their proposed bid price will be paid to subcontractors and/or materialmen who qualify, under the above standards, as Palm Beach County and/or Western Community local businesses.

Please check the box below indicating which preference category your business is applying for:

☐ Western Communities Local Business

☐ Palm Beach County Local Business

☐ Subcontractor Utilization

1. The name of the business is: _____

2. The address of the business is: _____

3. How long has the business been located at its current address: _____

4. If the business has relocated within the last six months, please provide the answers to questions 1-3 for the previous location:

5. The previous name of the business is: _____

6. The previous address of the business is: _____

7. How long was this business at the previous location: _____

8. If the business is attempting to qualify under the subcontractor utilization provision, please provide a breakdown of the subcontractors who would qualify for either the Palm Beach County or Western Community, business classification, the requisite information, provide their responses to the above 1 - 7 questions and for each of the subcontractors, indicate the amount that they are proposed to be compensated at under the bid price.

9. The business as a local business tax receipt from: (1) Palm Beach County ☐ (2) the following municipality: _____ (3) located in unincorporated Palm Beach County: ☐

10. Please provide a copy of Local Business Tax Receipts from Palm Beach County and the applicable municipality are attached.

11. Please provide a Certificate of Good Standing indicating the formation or domestication of the entity in and for the State of Florida is attached.

12. Please provide copies of licenses if applicable from the State of Florida authorizing the business to provide the good services or professional services contemplated in the bid documents.

13. Please provide a letter from the either the Palm Beach County if located in unincorporated Palm Beach County or the municipality if located within the municipality evidencing that the headquarters for the business is properly zoned for the business.

By signing below, I hereby certify that under penalty of perjury I believe my business qualifies as a Palm Beach County, Western Community or subcontractor utilization business in accordance with Wellington's Local Preference Policy and that I have submitted current and accurate information and documents relating to my qualifications. I further acknowledge and agree that any fraudulent or duplicitous information submitted in furtherance of this application will be grounds for disqualification from bidding on this project and doing business with Wellington in the future.

Applicants Federal Tax ID Number - _____ Applicants Business Address _____

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR SUBMITTAL