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# **Protest Decision**

Matter of: Goldman Lawn & Landscaping LLC

File No.: 2025-105

**Posting Date:** September 19, 2024

Contracting Entity: York Technical College

Project No.: YTC-25-008

**Description:** Campus Wide Elevators Modernization

# **DIGEST**

Protest arguing that the work requires licensing as a grading contractor and intended awardee lacks a license is denied.

#### **AUTHORITY**

Per S.C. Code Ann. § 11-35-4210, the Chief Procurement Officer for Construction (CPOC) conducted an administrative review of a protest filed by Goldman Lawn & Landscaping LLC (Goldman). Goldman's protest is attached as Exhibit A. This decision is based on materials in the procurement file and applicable law and precedents.

# **BACKGROUND**

• On August 6, 2024, York Technical College (York) issued a solicitation for the installation of sod (the Project). [Exhibit B]

- On August 18, 2024, York issued Amendment 1 answering vendor questions. [Exhibit C]
- By the deadline for receipt of bids, York received two bids including one from Willow Scapes LLC (Willow), who submitted the low bid. [Exhibit D]
- Willow is not a licensed contractor in South Carolina. Goldman is a licensed contractor in South Carolina with subclassification of General Contractors Highway – Grading (GD License).
- On August 23, 2024, York posted an Intent to Award a contract to Willow. [Exhibit E]
- On July 18, 2024, Goldman protested York's intended award to Willow alleging the that the work of the Project required the contractor to possess a GD License.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The solicitation calls for the installation of approximately 55,000 square feet of sod (the Project). The Project includes removal of existing sod, soil amendment, and leveling the topsoil "to be smooth and level with the curb and sidewalk." The Project also called for the "drainage area along the northern side of the drive shall be reworked so it can be mowed with a riding mower. and installation of new sod." Included in the solicitation were specifications borrowed from an unrelated construction project, including a section on finish grading.<sup>2</sup>

Godman argues that the work of the project requires "dirt work" and that "South Carolina requires a General Contractors license to perform any dirt work (grading) over \$10,000." Section 40-11-410 of the South Carolina Code of Laws sets for the various contractor licenses and the work covered by each. Respecting grading, this Section states:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The date of issuance of this document is confusing. On the cover page, the date of issuance is the same date the solicitation was issued, August 6, which obviously cannot be correct. On the third page, the document states that it was issued on August 16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The project these specifications were borrowed from was for a road corridor renovation and clearly required licensing as a General Contractor – Highway or a grouping of subclassification under that classification, including Grading.

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The following license classifications are in effect:

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(2) "General Contractors-Highway" which includes work under these subclassifications:

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- (d) "Grading" which includes the soil preparation and rehabilitation of streets, roads, highways, railroad beds, building sites, parking lots, and storm sewers. This subclassification also includes work under the subclassification of Highway Incidental.
- (e) "Highway Incidental" which includes highway work for grooving, milling, rehabilitating, and installing guardrails, gutters, highway signs, pavement marking, and painting.

None of the work of the Project "includes the soil preparation and rehabilitation of streets, roads, highways, railroad beds, building sites, parking lots, [or] storm sewers." Nor does it include "highway work for grooving, milling, rehabilitating, and installing guardrails, gutters, highway signs, pavement marking, and painting."

The work of this project is sodding the landscape and the preparation of the soil for sodding and as such is a landscaping project. Section 40-11-10 creates the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Board (the Board) and charges the Board with administration and enforcement of the contractors licensing laws.<sup>3</sup> The Board has published a list of work that is not regulated by the contractors licensing laws and does not require a license to bid or perform it. [Exhibit F]. Included in this list is landscaping. Therefore, an unlicensed entity may bid and perform the work of this project.<sup>4</sup>

Although no specific license is required to perform the work listed below, **portions of the work that are regulated** by this board may require a general or mechanical contractor license with the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The CPO did seek guidance from the Board staff on this matter, but staff referred the CPO to the building official with jurisdiction over the project for help determining which licenses, if any, were required under the law. For this Project, the Office of the State Engineer is the authority having jurisdiction, i.e. the building official. Moreover, the CPO is the State Engineer. Therefore, Board staff referred the matter back to the CPO for a determination.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Admittedly, the Boards list of work that does not require a contractor's license states:

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# **DECISION**

For the forgoing reasons, protest denied.

John St. C. White, PE

Chief Procurement Officer for Construction

Columbia, South Carolina

appropriate classification(s) pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-11-410 when the total cost of construction for the regulated work is greater than \$10,000".

[emphasis supplied]

The Board's interpretation is that an unlicensed entity may bid the work of a project that is primarily unregulated as a sole prime contractor so long as it subcontracts the regulated work to properly licensed contractors. However, since in this case none of the work requires licensure as a grading contractor, Willow is not required to subcontract any work to a contractor with a grading license.

#### STATEMENT OF RIGHT TO FURTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Protest Appeal Notice (Revised July 2024)

The South Carolina Procurement Code, in Section 11-35-4210, subsection 6, states:

(6) Finality of Decision. A decision pursuant to subsection (4) is final and conclusive, unless fraudulent or unless a person adversely affected by the decision requests a further administrative review by the Procurement Review Panel pursuant to Section 11-35-4410(1) within ten days of posting of the decision in accordance with subsection (5). The request for review must be directed to the appropriate chief procurement officer, who shall forward the request to the panel or to the Procurement Review Panel, and must be in writing, setting forth the reasons for disagreement with the decision of the appropriate chief procurement officer. The person also may request a hearing before the Procurement Review Panel. The appropriate chief procurement officer and an affected governmental body shall have the opportunity to participate fully in a later review or appeal, administrative or judicial.

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Copies of the Panel's decisions and other additional information regarding the protest process is available on the internet at the following web site: http://procurement.sc.gov

FILING FEE: Pursuant to Proviso 111.1 of the 2024 General Appropriations Act, "[r]equests for administrative review before the South Carolina Procurement Review Panel shall be accompanied by a filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), payable to the SC Procurement Review Panel. The panel is authorized to charge the party requesting an administrative review under the South 11-35-4220(5), 11-35-4210(6), Sections 11-35-4230(6) and/or 4410...Withdrawal of an appeal will result in the filing fee being forfeited to the panel. If a party desiring to file an appeal is unable to pay the filing fee because of financial hardship, the party shall submit a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the same time the request for review is filed. [The Request for Filing Fee Waiver form is attached to this Decision.] If the filing fee is not waived, the party must pay the filing fee within fifteen days of the date of receipt of the order denying waiver of the filing fee. Requests for administrative review will not be accepted unless accompanied by the filing fee or a completed Request for Filing Fee Waiver form at the time of filing." PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE "SC PROCUREMENT REVIEW PANEL."

LEGAL REPRESENTATION: In order to prosecute an appeal before the Panel, business entities organized and registered as corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships must be represented by a lawyer. Failure to obtain counsel will result in dismissal of your appeal. *Protest of Lighting Services*, Case No. 2002-10 (Proc. Rev. Panel Nov. 6, 2002) and *Protest of The Kardon Corporation*, Case No. 2002-13 (Proc. Rev. Panel Jan. 31, 2003); and *Protest of PC&C Goldmans*, *LLC*, Case No. 2012-1 (Proc. Rev. Panel April 2, 2012). However, individuals and those operating as an individual doing business under a trade name may proceed without counsel, if desired.

# **South Carolina Procurement Review Panel Request for Filing Fee Waiver**

# 1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 367, Columbia, SC 29201

Name of Requestor  City State Zip		-	Address	
		Zip	Business Phone	
1. What is	s your/your comp	any's monthly income	?	
2. What a	re your/your com	pany's monthly expens	ses?	
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			Waiver Denied	
Chairman	or Vice Chairma	n, SC Procurement Re	view Panel	

NOTE: If your filing fee request is denied, you will be expected to pay the filing fee within fifteen (15) days of the date of receipt of the order denying the waiver.

# Exhibit A

From: Ben Goldman

To: <u>Protest-MMO</u>; <u>sdesrochers@yorktech.edu</u>

**Subject:** [External] Protest: YTC-25-008 Sod Installation Project

**Date:** Friday, August 23, 2024 4:13:53 PM

To whom it may concern (Chief Procurement Officer)

Goldman Site Services LLC submitted a bid of \$142,501.00 for project YTC-25-008. The bid was awarded to Willow Scapes, LLC for \$136,500.00. The state of South Carolina requires a General Contractors license to perform any dirt work (grading) over \$10,000.00. This project more than exceeds that \$10,000.00 cap for dirt work. We believe that Willow Scapes, LLC does not have a SC general contractors license and does not meet the legal requirements set forth by the state to complete this project.

Thank you,
Benjamin Goldman
President
Goldman Lawn & Landscaping LLC
(DBA) Goldman Site Services LLC
(843)687-2795
2865 Olanta Hwy
Scranton, SC 29591

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# Exhibit B

Government entity (federal, state, or local)



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Date Issued: Procurement Officer: Phone: E-Mail Address: Mailing Address:

Solicitation:

YTC-25-008 – Sod Installation Project August 06, 2024 Suzanne Desrochers 803-327-8010 sdesrochers@yorktech.edu 452 Anderson Road South Rock Hill SC 29730-7318

# **Intent to Bid**

**DESCRIPTION: Sod Installation Project** 

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:					
PURCHASII 452 Anderso	HNICAL COLLEGE	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE 452 Anderson Road South, Bldg H-25 Rock Hill SC 29730-7318			
SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 08/20/2024 14:0			"Deadline For Submission Of Offer" provision)		
QUESTIONS MU	QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 08/14/2024 12:00:00 (See "Questions From Offerors" provision)				
NUMBER OF CO	PIES TO BE SUBMITTED: 1				
DATE & TIME: A	TYPE: Prebid & Site Visit August 13, 2024 @ 9:00 am ee "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Si	ite Visit"	LOCATION: 452 S Anderson Road, Bldg J, RM - J-331, Rock Hill, SC 29730		
AWARD & AMENDMENTS					
You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offer. By signing, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum of sixty (60) calendar days after the Opening Date. (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)					
NAME OF OFFEROR  (full legal name of business submitting the offer)		Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.			
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE		DATE SIGNED			
(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)					
TITLE		STATE VENDOR NO.			
(business title of person signing above)		(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at www.procurement.sc.gov)			
PRINTED NAME		STATE OF INCORPORATION			
(printed name of person signing above)		(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)			
OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one) (See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)					
Sole Proprietorship Partnership Other					

Corporation (tax-exempt)

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Corporate entity (not tax-exempt)

# PAGE TWO (Return Page Two with Your Offer)

HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)			NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)  Area Code - Number - Extension Facsimile  E-mail Address				
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PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at <a href="http://www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences">http://www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</a>. ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]

PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).

In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address

In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (check only one).

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#### I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

#### ACQUIRE SERVICES (MODIFIED)

ACQUIRE SERVICES & SUPPLIES / EQUIPMENT (JAN 2006): The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies or equipment complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions. [01-1005-1]

York Technical College is requesting quotes to provide and install 55,000 square feet of Zeon zoysia sod on both sides of Hood Center Drive from the College's east entrance to the newly paved section of road approximately 1,000 linear feet. This scope also includes removal of existing turf, fine grading, and soil amendment.

#### II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

#### **DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (MODIFIED)**

CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

ADA means Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

AUTHORITY means the State Fiscal Accountability Authority or its successor in interest.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity. [11-35-310(3)]

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract. [11-35-310(4)]

CONTRACT See clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the procurement officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled "Changes," if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor. [11-35-310(9)]

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

OFFER means the bid or proposal submitted in response this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the Cover Page, an amendment, or an award notice.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments.

STATE means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work.

US or WE means the using governmental unit.

YTC means York Technical College

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

USING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT means the unit(s) of government identified as such on the Cover Page. If the Cover Page identifies the Using Governmental Unit as "Statewide Term Contract," the phrase "Using Governmental Unit" means any South Carolina Public Procurement Unit [11-35-4610(5)] that has submitted a Purchase Order to you pursuant to the contract resulting from this solicitation. Reference the clauses titled "Purchase Orders" and "Statewide Term Contract." WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract.

#### AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (MODIFIED)

(a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments: <a href="https://www.yorktech.edu/departments/procurement">https://www.yorktech.edu/departments/procurement</a> (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

#### **AUTHORIZED AGENT (FEB 2015)**

All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract. [02-2A007-1]

#### **AWARD NOTIFICATION (FEB 2015)**

Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the Cover Page or, if applicable, any notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation and any award will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given. [02-2A010-2]

#### BID/PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT (JAN 2004)

By submitting Your Bid or Proposal, You are offering to enter into a contract with the Using Governmental Unit(s). Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed. [02-2A015-1]

#### **BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JAN 2004)**

In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing. [02-2A020-1]

#### **BID IN ENGLISH and DOLLARS (JAN 2004)**

Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the Solicitation. [02-2A025-1]

#### **CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (MAY 2008)**

# GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

- (a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that-
- (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to-
- (i) Those prices;
- (ii) The intention to submit an offer; or
- (iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.
- (2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-
- (1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or
- (2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];
- (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and
- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.
- (c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed

statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure. [02-2A032-1]

#### CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (JAN 2004)

- (a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-
- (i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-
- (A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;
- (B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and
- (C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.
- (ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity.
- (2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).
- (b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- (c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible.
- (d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- (e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the State, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default. [02-2A035-1]

#### **CODE OF LAWS AVAILABLE (JAN 2006)**

The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is available at: http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/statmast.php

The South Carolina Regulations are available at: <a href="http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php">http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php</a>

[02-2A040-2]

#### DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE (APR 2023)

("OCI FAQ for Contractors" is available at <a href="www.procurement.sc.gov">www.procurement.sc.gov</a>)

- (a) You certify that, to the best of your knowledge and belief:
- (1) your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that have already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either; and
- (2) there are no relevant facts or circumstances that may give rise to an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2127, or that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award.
- (b) If you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business or consultant of either, have an unfair competitive advantage or a significant actual or potential conflict of interest, the State may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, the State will notify you of the concerns and provide a reasonable opportunity for you to respond. The State may consider efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities.

(c) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which the State will rely when considering your offer for award. [02-2A047-3]

#### **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)**

Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the governmental body or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office or the governmental body's mail room which services that purchasing office prior to the opening. [R.19-445.2070(G)] [02-2A050-1]

#### DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION (JAN 2004)

By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended. [02-2A065-1]

#### **DUTY TO INQUIRE (FEB 2015)**

Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the State's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors." [02-2A070-2]

#### **ETHICS CERTIFICATE (MAY 2008)**

By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The state may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

#### **OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE (JAN 2004)**

Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the State may be required to pay. [02-2A080-1]

#### **OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION (JUN 2015)**

By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [02-2A083-1]

### PROTESTS (MAY 2019)

If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within seven business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest-CPO". The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. [02-2A085-2]

#### PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS (FEB 2015)

Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law.

- (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010]
- (b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date. [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

#### **PUBLIC OPENING (JAN 2004)**

Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable. [02-2A090-1]

#### **QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (MODIFIED)**

- (a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. [See R. 19-445.2042(B)] Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. See clause entitled "Duty to Inquire." We will not identify you in our answer to your question.
- (b) The State seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. [See R. 19-445.2140]

All questions must be submitted in writing and received by the Procurement Officer for this solicitation <u>no later</u> than August 14, 2024 at noon, EST.

Email is the preferred method for submitting questions to the Procurement Officer, Title the "Subject Line" of your email, "Questions YTC-25-008 – Sod Installation Project". Questions must be submitted in an easily copied format such as MS Word. Email questions to sdesrochers@yorktech.edu.

#### **REJECTION/CANCELLATION (JAN 2004)**

The State may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The State may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part. [SC Code Section 11-35-1710 & R.19-445.2065] [02-2A100-1]

#### RESPONSIVENESS/IMPROPER OFFERS (MODIFIED)

- (a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.
- (b) Multiple Offers. NOT APPLICABLE
- (c) Responsiveness. Any Offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the State cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer. [R.19-445.2070 and Section 11-35-1520(13)]
- (d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price. [R. 19-445.2070].
- (e) Unbalanced Bidding. The State may reject an Offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the State even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.
- (f) **Do not submit bid samples or descriptive literature unless expressly requested.** Unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature will not be examined or tested, will not be used to determine responsiveness, and will not be deemed to vary any of the provisions of the solicitation. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2077(D).

#### **SIGNING YOUR OFFER (JAN 2004)**

Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror.

- (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm.
- (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words by its Partner, and signed by a general partner.
- (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign.
- (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant.
- (e) If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that is has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal. [02-2A115-1]

#### **STATE OFFICE CLOSINGS (JAN 2004)**

If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal government processes so that offers cannot be received at the government office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal government processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If state offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <a href="https://scemd.org/closings">https://scemd.org/closings</a> [02-2A120-3]

#### DISCLOSURE OF YOUR BID / PROPOSAL and SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL DATA (FEB 2021)

- (a) According to Section 11-35-410, any person submitting a document in response or with regard to any solicitation or other request must "comply with instructions provided in the solicitation for marking information exempt from public disclosure. Information not marked as required by the applicable instructions may be disclosed to the public." IF YOU IDENTIFY YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE AS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE, OR IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT A REDACTED COPY AS REQUIRED, THE STATE MAY, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, DETERMINE YOUR BID OR PROPOSAL NONRESPONSIVE AND INELIGIBLE FOR AWARD.
- (b) By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page, or portion thereof, of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page, or portion thereof, was redacted and conspicuously marked "Trade Secret" or "Confidential" or "Protected", (2) agrees that any information not redacted and marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure.
- (c) If your offer includes any information that you claim is exempt from public disclosure, you must submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer.
- (d) Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not redact the entire page. The redacted copy must reflect the same pagination as the original and show the empty space from which information was redacted. The Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the State may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive.
- (e) On the redacted copy, you must identify the basis of your claim by marking each redaction as follows: You must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure because it is either (1) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, or (2) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. You must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure as a trade secret pursuant to Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. You must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that you redacted and claim as exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to

conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text.

(f) In determining whether to release documents, the State will detrimentally rely on your redaction and marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". By submitting a response, you agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of South Carolina, its agencies, officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the State of South Carolina or any of its agencies, that you have redacted or marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "Protected". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.) [02-2A125-3]

#### **SUBMITTING A PAPER OFFER OR MODIFICATION (MAR 2015)**

When submitting a paper offer or modification, the following instructions apply. (a) All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). (b) (1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Submit your offer or modification to the address on the Cover Page. (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (c) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (d) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (e) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. [02-2A130-2]

#### TAX CREDIT FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH DISADVANTAGED SMALL BUSINESSES (JAN 2008)

Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this State who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Form TC-2, "Minority Business Credit." A copy of the subcontractor's certificate from the Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business (OSMBA) is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, Research and Review, Phone: (803) 898-5786, Fax: (803) 898-5888. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, Phone: (803) 734-0657, Fax: (803) 734-2498. [02-2A135-1]

#### **VENDOR REGISTRATION MANDATORY (Modified)**

You must have a state vendor number to be eligible to submit an offer. To obtain a state vendor number, visit www.procurement.sc.gov and select Doing Business with Us. Then select Vendor Registration. (To determine if your business is already registered, go to "Vendor Search"). Upon registration, you will be assigned a state vendor number. Vendors must keep their vendor information current. If you are already registered and know your User ID & Password, you can update your information by selecting Update Vendor Registration. If you need to update information but do not have your User ID/Password, you must complete a new vendor registration and On Step 9 – Messages to Administration indicate "Update vendor number" with your existing 10-digit vendor number. (Please note that vendor registration does not substitute for any obligation to register with the S.C. Secretary of State Index - Business Entities Online - S.C. Secretary of State (sc.gov) or S.C. Department of Revenue Withholding (sc.gov). [02-2A145-1]

#### WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER (JAN 2004)

Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the Solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of Offers is governed by S.C. Code Section 11-35-1520 and Regulation 19-445.2085. [02-2A150-1]

#### II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS -- B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

#### **CONFERENCE - PRE-BID/PROPOSAL (JAN 2006)**

Due to the importance of all offerors having a clear understanding of the specifications and requirements of this solicitation, a conference of potential offerors will be held on the date specified on the cover page. Bring a copy of the solicitation with you. Any changes resulting from this conference will be noted in a written amendment to the solicitation. Your failure to

attend will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available at the conference. Nor does the State assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding or representation is expressly stated in this contract. [02-2B025-1]

This solicitation includes a NON-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference. While attendance is not required, offerors are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. The purpose of the Pre-Bid is to identify items that are in error, unclear, or unduly restrictive as well as discussing the terms and conditions and submittal process.

All conference attendees should read the solicitation and develop their questions in preparation for the conference. The pace of the conference will NOT afford individuals enough time to complete an initial review of the document during the conference.

#### PROTEST - CPO - MMO ADDRESS (JUN 2006)

Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing

- (a) by email to protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us,
- (b) by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201. [02-2B122-1]

#### SITE VISIT (JAN 2006)

A site visit will be held at the following date, time and location. Your failure to attend will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available at the conference. Nor does the State assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding or representation is expressly stated in this contract.

Immediately following Pre-Bid Conference.

[02-2B165-1]

# **UNIT PRICES REQUIRED (JAN 2006)**

Unit price to be shown for each item. [02-2B170-1]

### III. SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS

#### Scope of Work

The Contractor shall grade the proposed area along Hood Center Drive to be smooth and level with the curb and sidewalk. All areas where more than 1 square foot of gravel is present on the surface shall have the gravel removed to a depth of 6 inches and replaced with fill dirt and topsoil (see attachments A and B). The drainage area along the northern side of the drive shall be reworked so it can be mowed with a riding mower. All irrigation heads shall be adjusted to the proper height once grading is completed. The contractor shall install approximately 55,000 square feet of Zeon zoysia sod (the exact amount to be determined by the contractor prior to bid). The front four feet of each of the six rectangular plant beds is to be graded amended and sodded. All areas with existing turf shall have the turf removed and all areas shall be amended before the sod is installed.

The successful bidder will be required to perform all work in compliance with OSHA and York Technical College safety standards. This includes, but is not limited to, personal protective equipment such as eye & hearing protection, proper footwear, proper equipment and fall protection for working overhead, proper pedestrian safety measures such as barricades & signage, etc.

The awarded contractor shall perform all work. Subcontracting must be pre-approved by the College. Contract performance will be evaluated a minimum of every month by Facilities Management personnel.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

See Section IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION (Attachment A).

See Section IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION (Attachment B).

#### **BOUNDARIES**

See Section IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION (Attachment C).

#### MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES

All tools, equipment, and supplies necessary to complete all tasks will be provided by the contractor. York Technical College assumes no responsibility for damage to or theft of the Contractor employees' personal belongings brought onto the campus.

#### CONTRACTOR'S STORAGE SPACE

York Technical College has no storage area available for the storage of equipment or tools. Gasoline or other flammables will not be stored within 50 feet of any structure owned by York Technical College.

#### **CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES**

Within five (5) working days after the award the contractor shall submit the names, addresses, and phone numbers of all personnel engaged in the work of this contract. If any of the Contractor's employees engaged in the work of this contract has a criminal background, York Technical College should be notified of this and of the crime they were convicted. York Technical College reserves the right to require the Contractor to replace the convicted employee if York Technical College feels this person poses a threat to the operations and well-being of York Technical College.

Contractor's personnel shall not allow any unauthorized persons on the College grounds (i.e. children, friends, or any other unauthorized persons). Contractor's personnel must wear uniforms provided by the Contractor or wear some type of identification that they are employees of the Contractor. All personnel shall be dressed in an appropriate manner authorized by the contractor. Each person shall be neat and clean in appearance. Uniforms or badges shall be worn which fully identify the worker as a member of the contractor's workforce. Contractor's personnel must wear uniforms provided by the Contractor or wear some type of identification that they are employees of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall use skilled employees who are thoroughly trained. These employees shall not engage in profanity, indecent acts, stealing, use of alcohol, or use of illegal drugs on the job. Any employee whose work habits and/or conduct are deemed objectionable shall be removed from the workforce upon the request of the Grounds Manager.

#### **General Conditions to be adhered to:**

- a) The Contractor shall not, under any circumstances, employ anyone at less than the established Federal or State minimum wage.
- b) The Contractor shall protect York Technical College property from damage, including the building surfaces, finishes, systems, equipment, furniture, supplies, etc. as well as the property of any patron, student, faculty, or employee. The Contractor shall repair or replace, to the owner's satisfaction, any damage to York Technical College or other property within time limits acceptable to York Technical College.

The Contractor shall be responsible for training, providing safety equipment, and establishing procedures for the use of equipment to safeguard the contractor's employees, and York Technical College's students, staff, faculty, and authorized visitors. The Contractor must possess any licenses or certifications required where necessary.

#### **DELIVERY/PERFORMANCE LOCATION -- SPECIFIED (MODIFIED)**

After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the following address, unless otherwise specified:

York Technical College Main Campus: 452 S. Anderson Rd., Rock Hill, SC 29730

#### IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

#### INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT – GENERAL (MODIFIED):

You shall submit a signed Cover Page and Page Two. Your offer should include all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bidding Schedule/Price Proposal; and any appropriate attachments addressed in Part IX. Attachments to Solicitations. You should submit a summary of all insurance policies you have or plan to acquire to comply with the insurance requirements stated herein, if any, including policy types; coverage types; limits, sub-limits, and deductibles for each policy and coverage type; the carrier's A.M. Best rating; and whether the policy is written on an occurrence or claims-made basis.

# **SUBMITTING REDACTED OFFERS (MAR 2015):**

If your offer includes any information that you marked as "Confidential," "Trade Secret," or "Protected" in accordance with

the clause entitled "Submitting Confidential Information," you must also submit one complete copy of your offer from which you have removed or concealed such information (the redacted copy). The redacted copy should (i) reflect the same pagination as the original, (ii) show the empty space from which information was redacted, and (iii) be submitted on magnetic media. (See clause entitled "Electronic Copies - Required Media and Format.") Except for the information removed or concealed, the redacted copy must be identical to your original offer, and the Procurement Officer must be able to view, search, copy and print the redacted copy without a password. [04-4030-2]

# **MINORITY PARTICIPATION (DEC 2015)**

Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity? [ ] Yes [ ] No
If so, please list the certifying governmental entity:
Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? [] Yes [] No
If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor?
Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? [] Yes [] No
If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor?
If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:
[ ] Traditional minority [ ] Traditional minority, but female [ ] Women (Caucasian females) [ ] Hispanic minorities [ ] DOT referral (Traditional minority) [ ] DOT referral (Caucasian female) [ ] Temporary certification [ ] SBA 8 (a) certification referral [ ] Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)
(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information

(If more than one minority contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.)

The Department of Administration, Division of Small and Minority Business Contracting and Certification, publishes a list of certified minority firms. The Minority Business Directory is available at the following URL: <a href="http://osmba.sc.gov/directory.html">http://osmba.sc.gov/directory.html</a> [04-4015-3]

#### V. QUALIFICATIONS

#### **QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFEROR (MAR 2015)**

To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) **Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability;** however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g., letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide. Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on <u>procurement.sc.gov</u>, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions." [05-5005-2]

#### VI. AWARD CRITERIA

#### AWARD CRITERIA - BIDS (JAN 2006)

Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s). [06-6020-1]

#### **AWARD TO ONE OFFEROR (JAN 2006)**

Award will be made to one offeror. [06-6040-1]

#### **COMPETITION FROM PUBLIC ENTITIES (JAN 2006)**

If a South Carolina governmental entity submits an offer, the Procurement Officer will, when determining the lowest offer, add to the price provided in any offers submitted by non-governmental entities a percentage equivalent to any applicable sales or use tax. S.C. Code Ann. Regs 117-304.1 (Supp. 2004). [06-6057-1]

#### **UNIT PRICE GOVERNS (JAN 2006):**

In determining award, unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated. [06-6075-1]

#### VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- A. GENERAL

#### ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE (FEB 2015)

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the state shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific state contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law. [07-7A004-2]

#### **BANKRUPTCY - GENERAL (FEB 2015)**

- (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the Using Governmental Unit. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all State contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract.
- (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the State upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy. [07-7A005-2]

#### **CHOICE-OF-LAW (JAN 2006)**

The Agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. [07-7A010-1]

#### **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and ORDER OF PRECEDENCE (MODIFIED)**

(a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the Procurement Officer, (2) the solicitation, as amended, (3) documentation of clarifications [11-35-1520(8)] or discussions [11-35-1530(6)] of an offer, if applicable, (4) your offer, (5) any statement reflecting the state's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (6) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (5) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation, (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the State, (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by Contractor, or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by any Using Governmental Unit. Any document signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect. [07-7A015-2]

#### **DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (JAN 2006)**

(a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the

offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.

(b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the Contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the state annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when Federal Government offices are closed and Government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day. [07-7A020-1]

#### **DISPUTES (JAN 2006)**

(1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the government's sovereign immunity or the government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail. [07-7A025-1]

#### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (JAN 2006)**

Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference. [07-7A030-1]

#### **FALSE CLAIMS (JAN 2006)**

According to the S.C. Code of Laws Section 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime. [07-7A035-1]

# **FIXED PRICING REQUIRED (JAN 2006)**

Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award. [07-7A040-1]

#### **NO INDEMNITY OR DEFENSE (FEB 2015)**

Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the State to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason. [07-7A045-2]

# NOTICE (JAN 2006)

(A) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (B) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the Notice Address on Page Two. Notice to the state shall be to the Procurement Officer's address on the Cover Page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph. [07-7A050-1]

#### **OPEN TRADE (JUN 2015)**

During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [07-7A053-1]

#### **PAYMENT and INTEREST (FEB 2015)**

(a) The State shall pay the Contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this

contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the Government. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment will be made by check mailed to the payment address on "Page Two." (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, payment shall be made in accordance with S.C. Code Section 11-35-45, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the Contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the Owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the State shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the State shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Section 11-35-45 ("an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year"), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30. (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. Section 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding. (f) The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of setoff. [07-7A055-3]

#### **PUBLICITY (JAN 2006)**

Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by State employees, or include the State in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer. [07-7A060-1]

#### **PURCHASE ORDERS (JAN 2006)**

Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order. [07-7A065-1]

#### **SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS (JAN 2006)**

The Parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit. [07-7A075-1]

#### **TAXES (JAN 2006)**

Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the State, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the State. It shall be solely the State's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the State to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the State for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor. [07-7A080-1]

# TERMINATION DUE TO UNAVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (JAN 2006)

Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be canceled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term. [07-7A085-1]

# THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY (JAN 2006)

This Contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this Contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise. [07-7A090-1]

#### **WAIVER (JAN 2006)**

The State does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract,

by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the State's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing. [07-7A095-1]

#### VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- B. SPECIAL

#### **BANKRUPTCY – GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (FEB 2015)**

- (a) All government information (as defined in the clause herein entitled "Information Security Definitions") shall belong exclusively to the State, and Contractor has no legal or equitable interest in, or claim to, such information. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that in the event Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, government information in its possession and/or under its control will not be considered property of its bankruptcy estate.
- (b) Contractor agrees to notify the State within forty-eight (48) hours of any determination that it makes to file for bankruptcy protection, and Contractor further agrees to turn over to the State, before such filing, all government information that is in Contractor's possession in a format that can be readily utilized by the State. (c) In order to protect the integrity and availability of government information, Contractor shall take reasonable measures to evaluate and monitor the financial circumstances of any subcontractor that will process, store, transmit or access government information. [07-7B007-1]

### **CHANGES (JAN 2006)**

- (1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following: (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the [State] in accordance therewith; (b) method of shipment or packing; (c) place of delivery; (d) description of services to be performed; (e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or, (f) place of performance of the services. Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.
- (2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the State promptly and duly make such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.
- (3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the State is prejudiced by the delay in notification. (4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract. [07-7B025-1]

#### **CISG (JAN 2006)**

The parties expressly agree that the UN Convention on the International Sale of Goods shall not apply to this agreement. [07-7B030-1]

### **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS (JAN 2006)**

During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs. [07-7B035-1]

#### **CONTRACT LIMITATIONS (JAN 2006)**

No sales may be made pursuant to this contract for any item or service that is not expressly listed. No sales may be made pursuant to this contract after expiration of this contract. Violation of this provision may result in termination of this contract and may subject contractor to suspension or debarment. [07-7B045-1]

# CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE - GENERAL (FEB 2015)

(a) Without limiting any of the obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents,

representatives, employees or subcontractors.

- (b) Coverage shall be at least as broad as:
- (1) Commercial General Liability (CGL): Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 12 07 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products-completed operations, personal and advertising injury, with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. This contract shall be considered to be an "insured contract" as defined in the policy.
- (2) Auto Liability: ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- (3) Worker's Compensation: As required by the State of South Carolina, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
- (c) Every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, must be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of both CG 20 10 and CG 20 37 if a later edition is used.
- (d) For any claims related to this contract, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the State, every applicable Using Governmental Unit, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of any of them, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- (e) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the State with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this section. All certificates are to be received and approved by the State before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The State reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by this section, at any time.
- (f) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this section are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.
- (g) Contractor hereby grants to the State and every applicable Using Governmental Unit a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the State or applicable Using Governmental Unit by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the State or Using Governmental Unit has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.
- (h) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the State. The State may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.
- (i) The State reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances. [07-7B056-2]

#### **CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2006)**

The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them. [07-7B060-1]

## **CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION -- GENERAL (JAN 2006)**

The contractor shall provide and pay for all materials, tools, equipment, labor and professional and non-professional services, and shall perform all other acts and supply all other things necessary, to fully and properly perform and complete the work. The contractor must act as the prime contractor and assume full responsibility for any subcontractor's performance. The contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements. [07-7B065-1]

# **DEFAULT - SHORT FORM (FEB 2015)**

The state may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the contractor, or if the

contractor fails to comply with any material contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the state, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the state shall not be liable to the contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the contractor shall be liable to the state for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the state improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience. [07-7B080-2]

#### **ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV 2008)**

(An overview is available at <a href="https://www.procurement.sc.gov">www.procurement.sc.gov</a>) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

#### INDEMNIFICATION-THIRD PARTY CLAIMS - GENERAL (NOV 2011)

Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee's negligent act or omission is subsequently determined to be the sole proximate cause of a suit or claim, the Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancelation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means the State of South Carolina, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees. [07-7B100-2]

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006)

During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the State, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract. [07-7B115-1]

#### PRICE ADJUSTMENT - LIMITED -- AFTER INITIAL TERM ONLY (JAN 2006)

Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase. [07-7B165-1]

#### PRICE ADJUSTMENTS -- LIMITED BY CPI "OTHER GOODS and SERVICES" (JAN 2006)

Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "Other Goods & Services" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at www.bls.gov [07-7B175-1]

#### **RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES (JAN 2006)**

Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party. [07-7B205-1]

#### **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE (JAN 2006)**

(1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective. (2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the State. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so. (3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the State in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the State has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in a accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the State has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause. (4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph. (b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the State, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated; (c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph: (i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract; (ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services; (iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph; (iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated. (d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, (5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the State's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the State beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause. [07-7B265-1]

#### VIII. BIDDING SCHEDULE / PRICE-BUSINESS PROPOSAL

	Total Price
Total Cost of Project	

# IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATION

Attachment A - NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING

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# NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING IMPORTANT TAX NOTICE - NONRESIDENTS ONLY

Withholding Requirements for Payments to Nonresidents: Section 12-8-550 of the South Carolina Code of Laws requires persons hiring or contracting with a nonresident conducting a business or performing personal services of a temporary nature within South Carolina to withhold 2% of each payment made to the nonresident. The withholding requirement does not apply to (1) payments on purchase orders for tangible personal property when the payments are not accompanied by services to be performed in South Carolina, (2) nonresidents who are not conducting business in South Carolina, (3) nonresidents for contracts that do not exceed \$10,000 in a calendar year, or (4) payments to a nonresident who (a) registers with either the S.C. Department of Revenue or the S.C. Secretary of State and (b) submits a Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to the person letting the contract.

The withholding requirement applies to every governmental entity that uses a contract ("Using Entity"). Nonresidents should submit a separate copy of the Nonresident Taxpayer Registration Affidavit - Income Tax Withholding, Form I-312 to every Using Entity that makes payment to the nonresident pursuant to this solicitation. Once submitted, an affidavit is valid for all contracts between the nonresident and the Using Entity, unless the Using Entity receives notice from the Department of Revenue that the exemption from withholding has been revoked.

Section 12-8-540 requires persons making payment to a nonresident taxpayer of rentals or royalties at a rate of \$1,200.00 or more a year for the use of or for the privilege of using property in South Carolina to withhold 7% of the total of each payment made to a nonresident taxpayer who is not a corporation and 5% if the payment is made to a corporation. Contact the Department of Revenue for any applicable exceptions.

For information about other withholding requirements (e.g., employee withholding), contact the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542 or visit the Department's website at: <a href="https://dor.sc.gov">https://dor.sc.gov</a>

This notice is for informational purposes only. This agency does not administer and has no authority over tax issues. All registration and withholding tax questions should be directed to the South Carolina Department of Revenue at 1-844-898-8542. Additional contact information can be found by visiting the Department's website at dor.sc.gov

PLEASE SEE THE "NONRESIDENT TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AFFIDAVIT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING" FORM (FORM NUMBER I-312) LOCATED AT: https://dor.sc.gov

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#### **BIDDER'S CHECKLIST**

# AVOID COMMON BIDDING MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid. If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid rejected.

DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!

UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES.

REREAD YOUR ENTIRE BID TO MAKE SURE YOUR BID DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE STATE'S MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS.

Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the heading entitled: foia bidding instructions, submitting confidential information. <u>DO NOT MARK YOUR ENTIRE BID AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET, OR PROTECTED! DO NOT INCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TO BE RELEASED!</u>

HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.

MAKE SURE YOUR BID INCLUDES A COPY OF THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE. MAKE SURE THE COVER PAGE IS SIGNED BY A PERSON THAT IS <u>AUTHORIZED</u> TO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS.

MAKE SURE YOUR BID INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.

CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR BID INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!

CHECK AGAIN TO ENSURE YOUR BID INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!

IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A PRE-BID CONFERENCE OR A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS A PART OF THAT PROCESS! PLEASE SEE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID CONFERENCES.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help bidders avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, <u>not</u> against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your response.

# **OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION**

By (Authorized Signature)

Printed Name and Title of Person Signing

(S.C. Code Ann. §§ 11-35-5300)

The following representation, which is required by Section 11-35-5300(A), is a material induced the State to award a contract to you.			
I, the official named below, certify I am duly authorized vendor identified below, and, as of the date of my sign engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based is South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SO	ature, the vendor identified below is not currently in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom		
Vendor Name (Printed)	State Vendor No.		

Date Executed

[Not used]



#### YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT AFFIDAVIT

The vendor named below certifies to comply with the Drug-Free Workplace Act, Section 44- 107-10 et seq. of the South Carolina Code of Laws to provide a drug-free workplace. (Note: This clause applies to any resultant contract of \$50,000 or more). The State of South Carolina has amended Title 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to health, by adding Chapter 107, so as to enact the Drug-Free Workplace Act (Ref: Act No. 593, 1990 Acts and Joint Resolutions).

Vendor:	
	(Name)
	(Address)
	(City, State, Zip)
	(Telephone)
F.E.I.N.:	
Ву:	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	
Please <u>return original</u> to:	York Technical College
	Attn: Procurement Department 452 S. Anderson Rd.,
	Rock Hill, SC 29730
Telephone:	803-981-7159

Note: Failure to furnish this affidavit will result in the delay of purchase contract.

# ATTACHMENT D

### SECTION 32 92 23 SODDING

#### PART 1 GENERAL

#### 1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Preparation of subsoil.
- B. Placing topsoil.
- C. Fertilizing.
- D. Sod installation.
- E. Maintenance.

# 1.02 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- A. Section 31 22 00 Grading: Topsoil material.
- B. Section 31 22 00 Grading: Preparation of subsoil and placement of topsoil in preparation for the work of this section.
- C. Section 31 23 23 Fill: Topsoil material.
- D. Section 32 01 90 Operation and Maintenance of Planting: Post-occupancy maintenance.

### 1.03 PRICE AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

- A. See Section 01 22 00 Unit Prices, for additional unit price requirements.
- B. Sodded Areas:
  - 1. Basis of Measurement: By the square foot.

# 1.04 REFERENCE STANDARDS

A. TPI (SPEC) - Guideline Specifications to Turfgrass Sodding 2006.

#### 1.05 SUBMITTALS

- A. See Section O1 30 00 Administrative Requirements, for submittal procedures.
- B. Certificate: Certify grass species and location of sod source.

#### 1.06 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Sod Producer: Company specializing in sod production and harvesting with minimum five years experience, and certified by the State of South Carolina.
- B. Installer Qualifications: Company approved by the sod producer.

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# ATTACHMENT D

- 1.07 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING
  - A. Deliver sod on pallets. Protect exposed roots from dehydration.
  - B. Do not deliver more sod than can be laid within 24 hours.
- 1.08 MAINTENANCE (OMITTED)

#### PART 2 PRODUCTS

# 2.01 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

A. Comply with regulatory agencies for fertilizer and herbicide composition.

#### 2.02 MATERIALS

A. Sod: TPI (SPEC), Certified Turfgrass Sod quality; cultivated grass sod; type indicated in plant schedule on Drawings; with strong fibrous root system, free of stones, burned or bare spots; containing no more than 5 weeds per 1000 sq ft. Minimum age of 18 months, with root development that will support its own weight without tearing, when suspended vertically by holding the upper two comers.

#### PART 3 EXECUTION

#### 3.01 PREPARATION

- A. Prepare subgrade in accordance with Section 31 22 00.
- B. Place topsoil in accordance with Section 31 22 00.

# 3.02 LAYING SOD

- A. Moisten prepared surface immediately prior to laying sod.
- B. Lay sod immediately after delivery to site to prevent deterioration.
- C. Lay sod smooth and tight with no open joints visible, and no overlapping; stagger end joints 12 inches minimum. Do not stretch or overlap sod pieces.
- D. Where new sod adjoins existing grass areas, align top surfaces.
- E. Where sod is placed adjacent to hard surfaces, such as curbs, pavements, etc., place top elevation of sod 1/2 inch below top of hard surface.
- F. Water sodded areas immediately after installation. Saturate sod to 4 inches of soil.

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#### 3.03 MAINTENANCE

A. See Section 32 01 90 - Operation and Maintenance of Planting for post-occupancy maintenance.

#### END OF SECTION

#### SECTION 31 22 00 GRADING

#### PART 1 GENERAL

#### 1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

A. Finish grading.

# 1.02 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- A. Section 31 23 23 Fill: Filling and compaction.
- B. Section 32 92 19 Seeding: Finish ground cover.
- C. Section 32 93 00 Plants: Topsoil in beds and pits.

#### PART 2 PRODUCTS

### 2.01 MATERIALS

- A. Topsoil: See Section 312323.
- B. Other Fill Materials: See Section 31 23 23.

#### PART 3 EXECUTION

#### 3.01 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify that survey bench mark and intended elevations for the Work are as indicated.
- B. Verify the absence of standing or ponding water.

#### 3.02 PREPARATION

- A. Locate, identify, and protect from damage above- and below-grade utilities to remain.
- B. Protect site features to remain, including but not limited to benchmarks, survey control points, existing structures, fences, sidewalks, paving, and curbs, from damage by grading equipment and vehicular traffic.
- C. Protect trees, plants, lawns, rock outcroppings, and other features to remain as a portion of final landscaping.

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- 3.03 ROUGH GRADING (OMITTED)
- 3.04 SOIL REMOVAL (OMITTED)

#### 3.05 FINISH GRADING

- A. Before Finish Grading:
  - 1. Verify subgrade has been contoured and compacted.
- B. Remove debris, roots, branches, stones, in excess of 1 inch in size. Remove all areas of soil with more than 1 square foot of visible gravel. Remove soil contaminated with petroleum products.
- C. Where topsoil is to be placed, scarify surface to depth of 6 inches for areas to be seeded, 4" for sodded areas, 10" for exterior beds, and 10" for parking islands.
- D. In areas where vehicles or equipment have compacted soil, scarify surface to depth of 3 inches.
- E. Place topsoil in areas indicated.
- F. Place topsoil to the following compacted thicknesses:
  - 1. Areas to be Seeded with Grass: 4 inches.
  - 2. Areas to be Sodded: 2 inches.
  - 3. Shrub, Ornamental Grasses, and Ground Cover Beds: 6 inches.
  - 4. Parking Islands or Narrow Planting areas: 12"
  - 5. Flower Beds: 6 inches.
- G. Place topsoil during dry weather.
- H. Remove roots, weeds, rocks, and foreign material while spreading.
- I. Near plants spread topsoil manually to prevent damage.
- J. Fine grade topsoil to eliminate uneven areas and low spots. Maintain profiles and contour of subgrade. Ensure positive drainage.
- K. Lightly compact placed topsoil.
- L. Maintain stability of topsoil during inclement weather. Replace topsoil in areas where surface water has eroded thickness below specifications.

# 3.06 TOLERANCES

- A. Top Surface of Subgrade: Plus or minus 0.10 foot (1-3/16 inches) from required elevation.
- B. Top Surface of Finish Grade: Plus or minus 0.04 foot (1/2 inch).

# 3.07 REPAIR AND RESTORATION

- A. Existing Facilities, Utilities, and Site Features to Remain: If damaged due to this work, repair or replace to original condition.
- B. Trees to Remain: If damaged due to this work, trim broken branches and repair bark wounds; if root damage has occurred, obtain instructions from Engineer as to remedy.

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- C. Other Existing Vegetation to Remain: If damaged due to this work, replace with vegetation of equivalent species and size.
- 3.08 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL
  - A. See Section 31 23 23 for compaction density testing.

CLEANING

3.09

- A. Remove unused stockpiled topsoil and subsoil. Grade stockpile area to prevent standing water.
- B. Leave site clean and raked, ready to receive landscaping.

END OF SECTION

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#### SECTION 32 93 00 PLANTING

#### PART 1 GENERAL

#### 1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. All install and construction shall meet the requirements, layout, and dimensions on the construction plans. In addition, it must also meet the requirements of the applicable codes of the authority having jurisdiction.
- B. Preparation of subsoil.
- C. Topsoil bedding.
- D. New trees, plants, and ground cover.
- E. Mulch and Fertilizer.

# 1.02 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- A. Section 31 22 00 Grading: Topsoil material.
- B. Section 31 23 23 Fill: Topsoil material.

## 1.03 PRICE AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

- A. Unit Prices:
  - 1. Topsoil: By the cubic yard. Includes topsoil, placing topsoil.
  - 2. Plants: By the unit. Includes preparation of subsoil, placing topsoil, planting, watering and maintenance to specified time period.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

1.04

- A. Weeds: Any plant life not specified or scheduled.
- B. Finished Grade: Elevation of the final graded surface of planting soil

Planting Soil: Existing or imported topsoil, modified surface soil mixed with required admendments, or manufactured planting soil.

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- A. Planting Soil: Existing or imported topsoil, modified surface soil mixed with required admendments, or manufactured planting soil.
- B. Plants: Living trees, shrubs, ornamental grasses, ground cover, annuals, and perennials specified in this Section, and described in ANSI Z60.1.
- C. Subgrade: Elevation of existing subsoil prior to adding top soil or planting soil.

#### 1.05 REFERENCE STANDARDS

- A. ANSI/AHIA Z60.1 American National Standard for Nursery Stock 2014.
- B. ANSI A300 Part 1 American National Standard for Tree Care Operations Tree, Shrub, and Other Woody Plant Management Standard Practices (Pruning) 2017.

#### 1.06 SUBMITTALS

- A. See Section O1 30 00 Administrative Requirements, for submittal procedures.
- B. Certificate: Certify fertilizer and herbicide mixture approval by authority having jurisdiction.
- C. Certificate: Submit certificate for plants free of disease or hazardous insects; certified by federal department of agriculture; free of disease or hazardous insects.
- D. Maintenance Data: Include cutting and trimming method; types, application frequency, and recommended coverage of fertilizer; and herbicides.
- E. Planting Schedule: Issue dates for install of all exterior plants
- F. Submit list of plant life sources.
- G. Material Test Reports: For imported and native topsoil, existing subsoil, and manufactured planting soil. Provide percentages of organic matter; gradation of sand, silt, and clay; ph; capacity of cation exchange; deletious material; and plant nutrient and mineral content. Provide recommendations for quantities of NPK and micronutrients to achieve optimal plant growth and establishment.
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#### 1.07 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Nursery Qualifications: Company specializing in growing and cultivating the plants with three years documented experience.
- **B.** Installer Qualifications: Company specializing in installing and planting the plants with three years expenence.
- C. Tree Pruner Qualifications: Company specializing in pruning trees with proof of Arborist Certification.
- **D.** Tree Pruning: Comply with ANSI A300 Part 1.
- E. Maintenance Services: Performed by installer.

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- F. Non-native, Invasive Plant Species: Do not introduce, grow, or cultivate plant species that are non-native to the ecosystem of the project site, and whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health.
- G. Soil Testing Laboratory: Laboratory must be recognized by the Department of Agriculture and be an independent with experience testing soil suitability for plant growth and establishment.
- H. Comply with laws regulating non-native and invasive plant species in the State in which the Project is located
- I. Plant Material: Must comply with plans, details, and planting schedule. Quality and size must meet requirements in ANSI Z60.1 Each plant must be tagged or labled with genus, species, and variety.
- J. Observation: The Landscape Architect may observe plant material in the original growing location or on site for approval of size, genus, species, variety, health, and quality. Contractor shall notify Landscape Architect seven business days prior to plant material arriving on site.

#### 1.08 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver fertilizer in waterproof bags showing weight, chemical analysis, and name of manufacturer.
- B. Unless approved by the Landscape Architect, do not prune plant material prior to arriving to site. It is the responsibily of the contractor to ensure plant material is not damaged during transport and handling. Damage or mishandled plant material will not be accepted at arrival or at install.
- C. Protect and maintain plant life until planted and during the warrranty period. Any plant material stored onsite must be watered to keep soil moist and protected from weather, construction, and vandalism.
- D. Deliver plant life materials immediately prior to placement. Keep plants moist.
- E. Do not remove container grown material from containter before time of planting.

#### 1.09 FIELD CONDITIONS

- A. Do not install plant life when ambient temperatures may drop below 35 degrees For rise above 90 degrees F.
- B. Do not install plant material duming muddy and wet conditions.
- C. Do not install plant life when wind velocity exceeds 30 mph.

# 1.10 WARRANTY

- A. See Section 01 78 00 Closeout Submittals, for additional warranty requirements.
- B. Provide one year warranty on all plant material from the date of substantial completion.
- C. Warranty: Include coverage for one continuous growing season; replace dead or unhealthy plants.

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D. Replacements: Plants of same size and species as specified, planted in the next growing season, with a new warranty commencing on date of replacement.

## 1.11 MAINTENANCE (SEE END OF SECTION)

A. The contractor is responsible for maintenance of all plant material for one year from the date of substantial completion. This includes watering, weeding, fertilizing, and other required operations to ensure healthy and viable plant material.

#### PART 2 PRODUCTS

#### 2.01 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- A. Comply with regulatory agencies for fertilizer and herbicide composition.
- B. Provide certificate of compliance from authority having jurisdiction indicating approval of plants, fertilizer and herbicide mixture.
- C. Plant Materials: Certified by federal department of agriculture; free of disease or hazardous insects.

#### 2.02 PLANTS

- A. Plants: Must meet requirement of ANSI 260.1, plant schedule, plans, and details. All plant material shall be free of disease; presence of insects including larve and eggs; defects including knots, decay, bores, sun scald, abrasions, and injury.
- B. All plant material must be balled and burlapped or container grown unless otherwaise specified. Each must be labeled with genus, species, and variety with waterproof labels.
- C. Trees: Unless Multi-stem trees are specified, all trees must have strait trunks and a unprunded central leader. Root crown or root flare must be visible and free of soil. Any tree not meeting these requirements will be rejected.

#### 2.03 Planting soils

- A. Topsoil: as specified in Section 312323.
- B. Commerical Planting Soil: Site One Garden Max Landscape Mix or Approved Equal

#### 2.04 SOIL AMENDMENT MATERIALS

- A. Fertilizer: Containing fifty percent of the elements derived from organic sources; of proportion necessary to eliminate any deficiencies of topsoil, as indicated in analysis.
- B. Peat Moss: Shredded, loose, sphagnum moss; free of lumps, roots, inorganic material or acidic materials; minimum of 85 percent organic material measured by oven dry weight, pH range of 4 to 5; moisture content of 30 percent.
- C. Commerical Products: Mushroom Compost, Manure, planting mix that is approved by Landscape Architect

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- D. Lime: Ground limestone, dolomite type, minimum 95 percent carbonates.
- E. Water: Clean, fresh, and free of substances or matter that could inhibit vigorous growth of plants.

#### 2.05 MULCH MATERIALS

A. Mulching Material: Double Hammered Hardwood species wood shavings, free of growth or germination inhibiting ingredients. Apply mulch to a depth of 3"-4". Mulch should not touch tree trunks, base of shrubs, or root flare.

#### 2.06 TOP SOIL MIX

A. A uniform mixture of 1 part soil amendment and 3 parts topsoil by volume. Unless otherwise specified on plans and details.

#### 2.07 SOURCE QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Provide analysis of topsoil; comply with requirements of Section O1 40 00.
- B. Provide testing of imported topsoil.
- C. Analyze to ascertain percentage of nitrogen, phosphorus, potash, soluble salt and organic matter; pH value and micro nutrients.
- D. Submit minimum 10 oz sample of topsoil proposed. Forward sample to testing laboratory in sealed containers to prevent contamination.
- E. Testing is not required if recent tests are available for imported topsoil. Submit these test results to the testing laboratory for approval. Indicate, by test results, information necessary to determine suitability.

#### PART 3 EXECUTION

#### 2.01 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify that prepared subsoil and planters are ready to receive work. All non soil debris shall be removed.
- B. Saturate soil with water to test drainage.
- C. Verify all utilities have been marked

#### 2.02 PREPARATION OF SUBSOIL

- A. Prepare subsoil to eliminate uneven areas. Maintain profiles and contours. Make changes in grade gradual. Blend slopes into level areas.
- B. Remove construction debris, stones larger than 1 inch, foreign materials, weeds and undesirable plants and their roots. Remove contaminated subsoil. Dispose all materials legally off site.

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- C. Scarify or till subsoil to a depth of 10 inches where shurbs, ornamental grass, and ground cover are to be placed. Repeat cultivation in areas where equipment, used for hauling and spreading topsoil, has compacted subsoil.
- D. Dig pits for shrubs and ornamental grasses 3x times larger than the rootball or containter size; 2x times larger for ground cover.

#### 2.03 Planting Bed Establishment

- A. Spread topsoil mix to a minimum depth of 6 inches for all exterior beds and 12" for parking islands or between hardscapes when soil areas are less than 100sf.
- B. Place topsoil during dry weather and on dry unfrozen subgrade.
- C. Remove vegetable matter and foreign non-organic material from topsoil while spreading.
- D. Grade and rake topsoil smooth to eliminate rough, low or soft areas, and to ensure positive drainage.
- E. Install topsoil into pits and beds intended for plant root balls, to a minimum thickness of 6 inches.

#### 2.04 PLANTING

- A. Place plants as indicated on planting plans.
- B. Place plants as indicated for review and final orientation by Landscape Architect.
- C. Set plants vertical.
- D. All plants shall be installed in accordance to planting details
- E. Remove non-biodegradable root containers.
- F. Set plants in pits or beds, partly filled with prepared plant mix, at a minimum depth of 6 inches under each plant. Remove burlap, ropes, and wires, from the root ball.
- G. Place bare root plant materials so roots lie in a natural position. Backfill soil mixture in 6 inch layers. Maintain plant life in vertical position.
- H. Saturate soil with water when the pit or bed is half full of topsoil and again when full.

## 2.05 PLANT RELOCATION AND RE-PLANTING

- A. Relocate plants as indicated by Landscape Architect. All relocated plants shall be re-planted in accordance to planting details and specification
- B. Replant plants in pits or beds, partly filled with prepared topsoil mixture, at a minimum depth of 6 inches under each plant. Remove burlap, ropes, and wires, from the root ball.
- C. Place bare root plant materials so roots lie in a natural position. Backfill soil mixture in 6 inch layers. Maintain plant materials in vertical position.
- D. Saturate soil with water when the pit or bed is half full of topsoil and again when full.

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## 2.06 PLANT SUPPORT

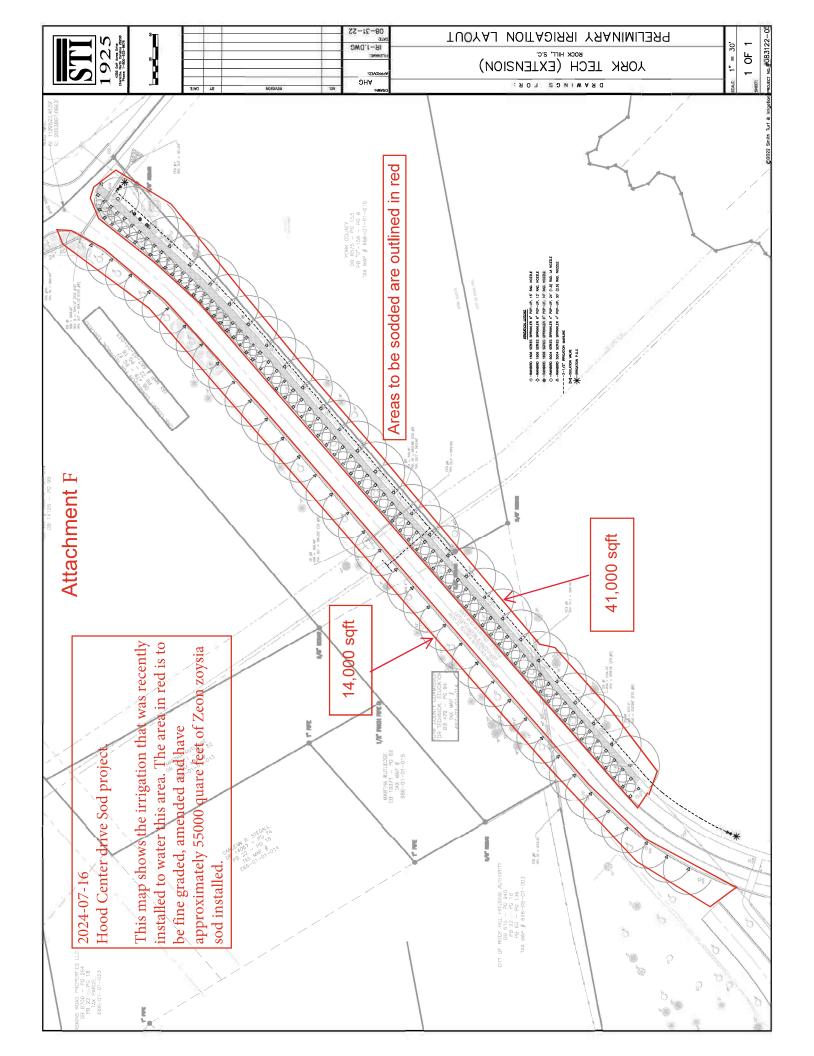
- A. Brace plants vertically with plant protector wrapped guy wires and stakes to the following:
  - 1. Tree Support Method: 3 guy wires with eye bolts and turn buckles

#### 2.07 TREE PRUNING

- A. Prune trees as recommended in ANSI A300 Part 1.
- B. Prune newly planted trees as required to remove dead, broken, and split branches. The Landscape Architect may reject any damaged plant materials
- C. New trees arriving from grower should not be pruned prior to delivery

#### END OF SECTION

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# Exhibit C

Government entity (federal, state, or local)



#### **Intent to Bid**

## Amendment 1 \_ Q&A

Solicitation:
Date Issued:
Procurement Officer:
Phone:
E-Mail Address:
Mailing Address:

YTC-25-008 – Sod Installation Project August 06, 2024 Suzanne Desrochers 803-327-8010 sdesrochers@yorktech.edu 452 Anderson Road South Rock Hill SC 29730-7318

**DESCRIPTION: Sod Installation Project** 

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal". Your offer must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior. See "Submitting Your Paper Offer or Modification" provision.

SUBMIT YOUR SEALED OFFER TO EITHER OF THE	FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:				
MAILING ADDRESS: YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE 452 Anderson Road South Rock Hill SC 29730-7318	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE PURCHASING OFFICE 452 Anderson Road South, Bldg H-25 Rock Hill SC 29730-7318				
SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 08/20/2024 14	2:00:00 (See "Deadline For Submission Of Offer" provision)				
QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 08/14/2024 12:0	00:00 (See "Questions From Offerors" provision)				
NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: 1					
CONFERENCE TYPE: Prebid & Site Visit DATE & TIME: August 13, 2024 @ 9:00 am (As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Sprovisions)	LOCATION: 452 S Anderson Road, Bldg J, RM - J-331, Rock Hill, SC 29730				
AWARD & Award will be posted on or before 08/23/2024. The award, this solicitation, any amendments, and any related notices will be posted at the following web address: <a href="https://www.yorktech.edu/departments/procurement/">https://www.yorktech.edu/departments/procurement/</a>					
You must submit a signed copy of this form with Your Offe Solicitation. You agree to hold Your Offer open for a minimum "Signing Your Offer" provision.)					
NAME OF OFFEROR  (full legal name of business submitting the offer)	Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, i.e., a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.				
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	DATE SIGNED				
(Person must be authorized to submit binding offer to contract on behalf of Offeror.)					
TITLE	STATE VENDOR NO.				
(business title of person signing above)	(Register to Obtain S.C. Vendor No. at <a href="https://www.procurement.sc.gov">www.procurement.sc.gov</a> )				
PRINTED NAME	STATE OF INCORPORATION				
(printed name of person signing above)	(If you are a corporation, identify the state of incorporation.)				
OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY: (Check one) (See "Signi	ing Your Offer" provision.)				

Corporation (tax-exempt)

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Corporate entity (not tax-exempt)

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	ffice / principal place of business) and contraction clause)				ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement et related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice"  - Number - Extension Facsimile				
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PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause) Payment Address same as Home Office AddressPayment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)			ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses)  Order Address same as Home Office Address Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)						
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT O Offerors acknowledges rec- to Solicitation" Provision)			amendment n	umber and its dat	e of iss	sue. (See	"Amendments		
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DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)	0 Calendar Days (S	%) 20 Calenda	nr Days (%)	30 Calendar Day	s (%)		Calendar Days (%)		

PREFERENCES - A NOTICE TO VENDORS (SEP. 2009): On June 16, 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly rewrote the law governing preferences available to in-state vendors, vendors using in-state subcontractors, and vendors selling in-state or US end products. This law appears in Section 11-35-1524 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. A summary of the new preferences is available at <a href="http://www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences">http://www.procurement.sc.gov/preferences</a>. ALL THE PREFERENCES MUST BE CLAIMED AND ARE APPLIED BY LINE ITEM, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER AWARD IS MADE BY ITEM OR LOT. VENDORS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE STATUTE BEFORE CLAIMING ANY PREFERENCES. THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY HAVE CHANGED. IF YOU REQUEST A PREFERENCE, YOU ARE CERTIFYING THAT YOUR OFFER QUALIFIES FOR THE PREFERENCE YOU'VE CLAIMED. IMPROPERLY REQUESTING A PREFERENCE CAN HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. [11-35-1524(E)(4)&(6)]

PREFERENCES - ADDRESS AND PHONE OF IN-STATE OFFICE: Please provide the address and phone number for your in-state office in the space provided below. An in-state office is necessary to claim either the Resident Vendor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(i)&(ii)) or the Resident Contractor Preference (11-35-1524(C)(1)(iii)). Accordingly, you must provide this information to qualify for the preference. An in-state office is not required, but can be beneficial, if you are claiming the Resident Subcontractor Preference (11-35-1524(D)).

In-State Office Address same as Home Office Address

In-State Office Address same as Notice Address (check only one).

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## YTC- 25-008 - Sod Installation Amendment 1 - Questions and Answers posted on 08/16/2024

1. Can you provide a map of the irrigation system?

**ANSWER:** 

## Map is attached.

2. Is sod going to be purchased in pallets or by mega rolls?

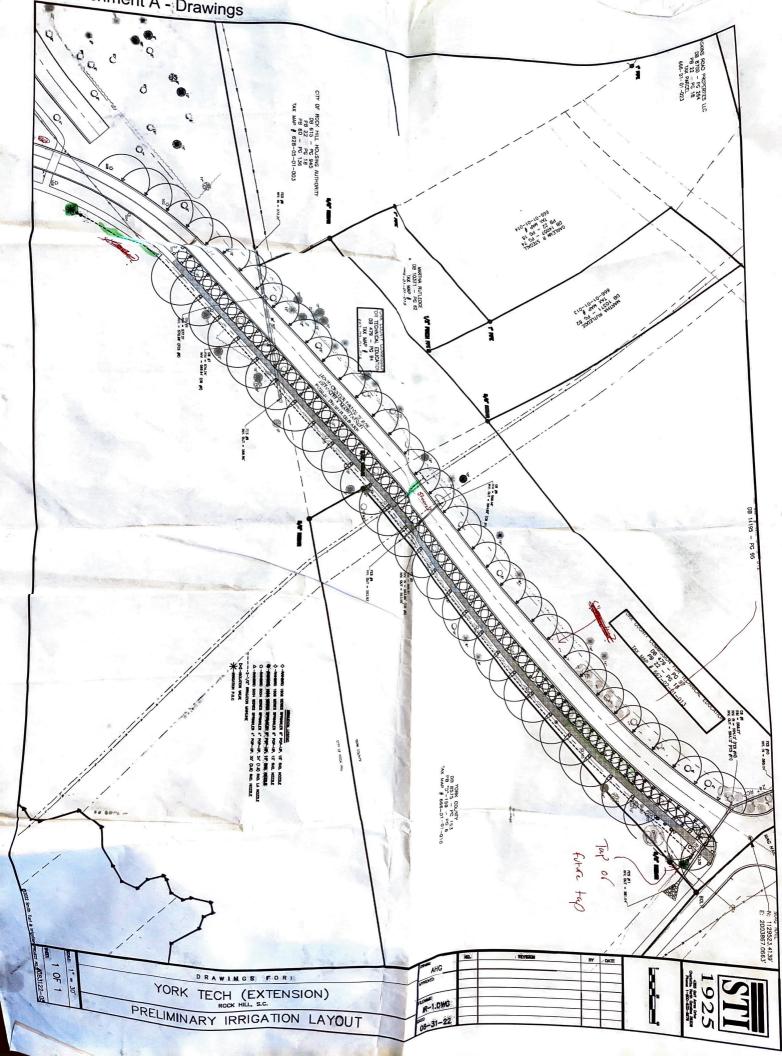
#### **ANSWER:**

## Sod can be Pallets or Mega rolls either is fine.

3. Is the existing grass that needs to be taken up sod or natural grass?

#### **ANSWER:**

It is a combination of sod natural and seeded grass and has been established for over a decade.



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		Goldman Lawn				
	Willow	and Landscaping				
Vendor	Scapes, LLC	LLC				
Services	\$ 136,500.00	\$ 142,50	1.00			
Buyer	Date					
Suzanne Desrochers	8/21/2024					
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Witness	Date					
John Sheppa	8/21/2024					



One College. Many Opportunities.

York Technical College 452 S Anderson Rd. Rock Hill, SC 29730

Statement of Award Posting Date: August 23, 2024

Solicitation: YTC-25-008-Sod Installation Project

Issue Date: August 06, 2024 Opening Date: August 20, 2024

Description: Sod Installation Project Agency: York Technical College

York Technical College intends to award the contract noted below. Unless otherwise suspended or canceled, this document becomes the final Statement of Award effective August 23, 2024. Unless otherwise provided in the solicitation, the final statement of award serves as acceptance of your offer.

Contractor should not perform any work on or incur any costs associated with the contract prior to the effective date of the contract. Contractor should not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order. The College assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to the effective date of the contract and issuance of a purchase order.

Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a contract shall protest within ten days of the date notification of award is posted in accordance with this code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. [Section 11-35-4210]

PROTEST - CPO ADDRESS - **MMO**: Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing:

by email to <a href="mailto:protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov">protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov</a> or by post or delivery to 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Awarded to: Willow Scapes, LLC

15909 White Street, Unit 103

Charlotte, NC 28278

Contract Number: YTC-25-008 – Sod Installation Project

Evaluated Amount: \$136,500

# YORK TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Suzanne Desrochers
Suzanne Desrochers, Procurement Officer





# South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

# **South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Board**

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# **NON-REGULATED WORK - NO LICENSE REQUIRED**

ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC LICENSE IS REQUIRED TO PERFORM THE WORK LISTED BELOW, PORTIONS OF THE WORK THAT ARE REGULATED BY THIS BOARD MAY REQUIRE A GENERAL OR MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR LICENSE WITH THE APPROPRIATE CLASSIFICATION(S) PURSUANT TO SC CODE ANN. §40-11-410 WHEN THE TOTAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE REGULATED WORK IS GREATER THAN \$10.000.

- ASBESTOS REMOVAL (SC-DHEC)
- BILLBOARDS / SCORE BOARDS / SIGNS <sup>1</sup>
- COMMERCIAL CARPET INSTALLATION
- CLEANING: DUCTS / STORM DRAINS / TANKS / WATER-SEWER LINES<sup>2</sup>
- COMMUNICATIONS (telephone/computers) <sup>3</sup>
- CRANES (temporary, assembly, maintenance, and transporting)
- DEBRIS REMOVAL
- DEMOLITION (SC-DHEC)
- ELEVATORS (LLR-Elevators)
- EQUIPMENT / MACHINERY / GENERATORS (assembly and setting only) <sup>4</sup>
- EXTERIOR RECREATIONAL SURFACES 5
- FENCING (except Concrete, Masonry or Electric) <sup>6</sup>

- FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS (non-water based systems only)
- HAULING
- IRRIGATION (except back flow device)
- LAND CLEARING / GRUBBING
- LANDSCAPING
- LOW VOLTAGE CABLE WIRING AND INSTALLATION (except Boring & Tunneling)
- PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT
- PRESSURE VESSELS (except Boilers)
- SCALES (SC Dept. of Agriculture)
- SCAFFOLDING (non-permanent)
- SEAL COATINGS
- SEPTIC TANKS (SC-DHEC)
- WELL DRILLING (LLR-Environmental Cert. Board)

#### A license is required for any regulated work listed below if the total cost of construction is greater than \$10,000:

- **1.** Internal electrical work does not require a license; however, the final connection to the power source requires the "Electrical" license classification.
- 2. Cleaning only. Disassembly/modification/repair/replacement requires licensure: Ductwork = "Air Conditioning" or "Packaged Equipment" license classification. Storm Drains/Water/Sewer Lines = "Water & Sewer Lines" license classification. Tanks (depends on type of tank): "Pipelines", "A/C" or "PK", "Plumbing", "Refrigeration", or "Water & Sewer Lines" license classification.
- **3.** Communication Towers require a "Structural Framing" license classification. A communications building requires a "Building" license classification. A concrete slab or foundation requires a "Concrete" license classification.
- **4.** Connections to utilities, structural modifications and concrete work requires the "Electrical", "Building" or "Concrete" license classification.
- 5. Asphalt or concrete surface work requires the "Asphalt Paving" or "Concrete Paving" license classification.
- 6. Electric Fencing requires obtaining a Burglar Alarm license. See: https://llr.sc.gov/clb/licensure.aspx
- 7. Water-based systems require a "Fire Sprinkler" license. See: https://llr.sc.gov/clb/licensure.aspx

#### Resources:

- SC-DHEC (SC Dept. of Health and Environmental Control) (803) 898-3630
- LLR Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides (803) 896-7630
- SC Department of Agriculture (803) 734-2210
- LLR Environmental Certification Board (803) 896-4430

#### **General and Mechanical Contracting Practice Act:**

 See SC Code Ann. §40-11-410 for all regulated classifications of work requiring a license: www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t40c011.php