



## TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS No. 20-04 Landscape Maintenance

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#### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

The following questions were received related to the above-referenced RFP:

1. *What has been the contract price of the yearly landscape warranty maintenance?*

The bid price was \$150,000/year for the landscape warranty maintenance.

2. *For repairing the Pebble Flex in the Children's Play area, is a proposal generated? If not, what was the repair cost over the last year?*

Yes, a lump sum proposal amount of approximately \$2,000 for repairs was generated in 2018. Repair of this item does not fall under the landscape maintenance contract.

3. *Will the playground equipment and benches/chairs/tables need to be sanitized?*

No, sanitizing equipment and furniture is performed by a separate janitorial vendor, ABM.

4. *Will McGuire Hester refresh the aggregate and bark mulches before they complete the warranty period?*

Yes, during the last month of the warranty maintenance period, mulch will be added to settled areas to bring finished surfaces back to the levels indicated on the contract drawings.

5. *Is the contract price to remain the same over all three years?*

Each Respondent must provide a contract price per year and indicate if the contract price will remain the same over all three years and any options. The contract price shall weigh into the scoring of the Proposal.

6. *As we are landscapers, can the Professional Liability Insurance be waived?*

Any modifications to the model professional services agreement must be noted in your Proposal. Refer to Section 9 of the RFP.

7. *For a landscape company, which bonds are required?*

Specific construction bonds are not required. The RFP is for a landscaping maintenance service in lieu of a capital improvement project. Respondents should describe any licensing and bonding they have in the description of their qualifications in the Proposal.

8. *Reflective on the plans is the Grey water system – how does the Grey water system work and tie into the irrigation for the landscaping?*

The grey water system will be put into operation at a later date and is not tied into the irrigation for the landscaping.

9. *Tree care: Is comprehensive care of all trees included in the contract?*

Refer to Section 3.1 (Trees) of the RFP. See also Section 3.4 of the RFP.

10. *Have any of the trees at the park been replaced? If so, how many?*

Yes, three Lophostemon trees have been replaced.

11. *Are mulch and pea gravel refresh included in contract?*

Refer to Section 3.1 (Mulching) of the RFP.

12. *Are emergency calls billable or included in contract?*

Refer to Section 3.8 (Emergencies) of the RFP. Respondents shall include proposed fees for emergencies in their Proposal.

13. *Is the contractor responsible for replacing any plant that dies? If yes, is there a limit to what replacements are included? For example if a 24" box tree needs replacing, is contractor responsible?*

Refer to Section 3.1 (Trees) of the RFP. See also Section 3.3 of the RFP.

14. *Are trash/recycling disposal and liner replacement included?*

Refer to Section 3.1 (Debris Removal). Trash, recycling, and compost receptacles are managed by ABM and are not a part of the landscape maintenance scope of services.

15. *How do you handle parking of company vehicles with the existing maintenance crew?*

TJPA Security allows limited duration parking of one truck and trailer at the Minna Street loading dock for unloading large cargo or loading up large debris removal, which has direct access to the service elevator.

16. *Is there a parking space available to use or will the contractor need to use public parking?*

There is no reserved parking for contractor vehicles at the transit center.

17. *Are there any restrictions on using power equipment such as gas powered blowers or mowers?*

Refer to Reference Document Contract Specification 32 01 90 and applicable local ordinances regarding power equipment and gas powered blowers or mowers.

18. *Can proposed changes to the sample contract be submitted along with a bid? If yes, would changes be preferred in a redline or addendum format?*

Yes, refer to Section 9 of the RFP; exceptions must be noted within the Respondent's Proposal. Provide exceptions in addendum format.

19. *Can you please clarify the TJPA is not a union signatory and non-union companies will not have to use union labor now or in the future?*

Refer to the following web link: <https://www.tjpa.org/tjpa/doing-business-with-the-tjpa/project-labor-agreement>