



INVITATION TO BID

Requesting:	Bid(s) for Parkway Tree Replacement Services
Issue Date:	September 18, 2023
Last Date for Questions:	September 26, 2023, by 9:00 AM
Addendum Posted:	September 29, by 12:00 PM
Proposals Due:	October 3, 2023, at 10:00 AM
Public Opening:	<p>bids.oswegoil.org</p> <p>Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/1-12) does apply</p>
Note:	<p>10% Bid Bond with the bid submittal</p> <p>110% performance, labor and material payment bond on award of contract</p>

All questions concerning this solicitation shall be submitted via e-mail to Madeleine Trinco at mtrinco@oswegoil.org before the date stated above. A written response in the form of a public addendum will be published on the Village's website by the said date above.

Contact with anyone other than the proposal contact listed above for matters relative to this solicitation during the solicitation process is prohibited.

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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID THE PARKWAY TREE REPLACEMENT SERVICES

The Village of Oswego will be accepting sealed bids for the **Parkway Tree Replacement Services** until October 3rd, 2023 at 10:00 AM local time. Bids will be virtually opened and read aloud publicly on the same day and time by going to bids.oswegoil.org.

Project Title: **Parkway Tree Replacement**

Proposal No.: 23-6040-25

Bids must be submitted electronically. All necessary documents are available through the Village's bid portal www.demandstar.com. Downloading documents and submitting Bids requires registration with "DemandStar." If you are not already a member, you can obtain a FREE AGENCY SUBSCRIPTION to the Village of Oswego account by going to www.demandstar.com/register.rsp. Instructions for DemandStar can be found on the Village's website www.oswegoil.org. Hard copy, emailed or faxed Bids will not be accepted.

Infrequent or first-time users of electronic bidding are recommended to load their Bids 24 hrs. prior to due date. All technical questions regarding the use of DemandStar, must be emailed at least 48 hours before the due date to mtrinco@oswegoil.org. All answers will be provided within 24 hours regarding technical issues within DemandStar.

Bidders are advised of the following requirements of this contract:

1. Applicability of Illinois Prevailing Wage Act,
2. 10% bid bond with the bid submittal,
3. 110% performance, labor and material payment bond on award of contract.

Questions regarding this legal notice or the proposal package must be in writing and emailed directly to mtrinco@oswegoil.org until September 26th, 2023 at 9:00 AM local time. Responses will be posted in DemandStar by September 29th, 2023 at 3:00 PM local time.

The bidder shall at all times observe and conform to all laws, ordinances, and regulations of the Federal, State, and Village which may in any manner affect the preparation of bids or the performance of the contract.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

1. Scope of Work

The contractor shall furnish, deliver, and install at designated locations approximately 200 trees per year. Planting shall be done in the spring and fall planting seasons. The actual number of trees will vary by Village Board appropriations. The Village will supply a planting list and work order for the trees containing the address and specie of each tree to be planted. All trees shall be 2.5" or more at a point 4.5 ft above the highest ground level at the base of the tree. Trees shall be balled and burlap (B & B). No specie will exceed 20% of the total amount of trees quoted.

2. Tree Planting:

The Contractor shall plant trees on a list that are designated for planting by the Village, as specified by the Director of Public Works or her designee during the project.

Tree Planting Requirements shall be as follows:

- A. Contractor shall contact the Public Works Office at 630-554-3242 one week prior to planting.
- B. The Contractor shall have all tree locations surveyed for underground utilities (JULIE) prior to tree planting.
- C. The Contractor shall plant trees from the pre-approved species list found in APPENDIX A. The contractor shall not plant any species noted in the prohibited species list found in APPENDIX B. If the contractor would like to plant a species not found on either list, they must have the specie approved by the Public Works Director or her designee.
- D. The trees shall be planted per designated parkway location and have a minimum of 3" mulch material around the base of each tree but not touching the bark, to avoid disease and decay of the tree. There shall be no volcano mulching; all mulch shall be spread around the tree but not touching the base of the bark. After planting, each tree shall be watered the same day of planting to completely saturate the backfill.
- E. All trees will be inspected by the Village representative prior to planting and all trees will be planted according to ANSI A300 standards for tree planting. The top 1/3 – 1/2 burlap and/or wire baskets shall be removed and all rope and materials including plastic tape, around the base of the trunk shall be removed. All trees shall be planted at grade with the root flare exposed.
- F. The Fall planting season, approximately September 1 to November 15, must be completed before the ground freezes. The Spring planting season, approximately April 1- June 15, should be completed after the ground thaws and before June 15.
- G. At the completion of planting, a Village representative will make a final inspection. A punch list will be generated from the inspection. The punch list will be the responsibility of the contractor to complete within the current planting season if weather and time permits. If not permitted due to weather and time restrictions, the contractor must complete the punch list within the following planting season.

3. Site Restoration (After Planting)

The contractor will be responsible for the repair or other damage that might be caused during the execution of this contract.

The Contractor shall ensure that topsoil shall be placed and compacted as best possible until original ground level is reached, the disturbed areas shall be seeded, and pellet mulched (EZ Mulch or equal). Site cleanup shall be completed after planting, and all materials generated during the job shall be removed from the work area before completion. The work area includes the street and curb, parkway, sidewalk, private lawns, driveways, and any area affected by the work. If site cleanup is to be delayed for any reason, barricades, cones and/or caution tape must be used until the site is clean as determined by the Village's representative. Upon completion of the entire planting operation the site should be returned to the same condition that existed prior to work being done.

4. Warranties

All bid prices are to include planting and a minimum of 1-year warranty from date of acceptance. Alternative bids utilizing a longer warranty period will be accepted, however the base bid must include the minimum of 1-year warranty. All warranty documents must be provided to the Village when invoices are submitted. All trees that die or fail to grow adequately, in the sole opinion of the Director of Public Works or her designee within the warranty period must be replaced the same or the following planting season. If said replacement tree does not survive through its warranty period, then the vendor shall furnish another warrantied replacement tree and the Village shall retain 10% of the cost of said tree until the tree survives its warranty period.

New plantings shall remain upright for 45 days after planting. The contractor shall straighten and stake trees as necessary. All guywires must have appropriate warning flags.

5. Safety Requirements:

- A. The contractor will be responsible for high visibility vests for employees when working within 25 feet of roadways. Safety cones shall be used around equipment and roadway.
- B. The contractor shall take all due precautions to avoid damaging the sprinkler heads, quick couplers and drip irrigation hoses. Any damage to the infrastructure by the Contractor during the terms of this Contract shall be repaired at the sole expense of the Contractor within ten (10) days of notification of the damage.

6. Method of Measurement.

This work will be measured for payment as follows:

Per unit. The payment is based on the number of satisfactory accepted units.

7. Basis of Payment and Reporting

The quantity measured will be paid for at the accepted contract unit price.

At the completion of each planting season, the contractor will provide an itemized invoice, all warranty documentation and an as-built landscape plan to the Public Works Director or her designee. The as-built landscape plan shall include the specie of tree and location in the form of an address.

Incidental work such as cleanup and traffic control will not be paid for separately but shall be included in the cost of other items.

After receipt of a correct invoice, payments shall be due and owing by the Village in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Illinois Compiled Statutes, Ch. 50, Sec. 505, et. seq.;

COST SHEET

The undersigned, having examined the specifications, and all conditions affecting the specified project, offer to furnish all services, labor, and incidentals specified for the price below.

I (We) propose to complete the following project as more fully described in the specifications for the following:

Required

Pay Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost
1	Tree, 2-1/2" DBH, Various Species	400	Each	\$
Base Bid	TOTAL COST PER YEAR WITH <u>1 YEAR WARRANTY</u> PER TREE			\$

Optional

Pay Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost
1	Tree, 2-1/2" DBH, Various Species	400	Each	\$
Alternate Bid	TOTAL COST PER YEAR WITH _____ YEAR WARRANTY PER TREE			\$

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

DETAIL EXCEPTION SHEET

Any exception must be clearly noted on this sheet. Failure to do so may be the reason for rejection of the bid. It is not our intention to prohibit any potential Contractor from bidding by virtue of the specifications, but to describe the material(s) and service(s) actually required.

The Village reserves the right to accept or reject any or all exceptions.

Contractor's exceptions are:

SUBCONTRACTOR LISTING

Provide the name, contact information, and value of work for each and every subcontractor which will be employed on this project.

Subcontractor No. 1

Business Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Contact Person

Telephone Number

Value of Work

Nature of Work

Subcontractor No. 2

Business Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Contact Person

Telephone Number

Value of Work

Nature of Work

Subcontractor No. 3

Business Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Contact Person

Telephone Number

Value of Work

Nature of Work

REFERENCES

Enter below current business references for whom you have performed work similar to that required by this bid.

Reference No. 1

Business Name

Address *City, State, Zip Code*

Contact Person *Telephone Number*

Dates of Service *Nature of Work*

Reference No. 2

Business Name

Address *City, State, Zip Code*

Contact Person *Telephone Number*

Dates of Service *Nature of Work*

Reference No. 3

Business Name

Address *City, State, Zip Code*

Contact Person *Telephone Number*

Dates of Service *Nature of Work*

CONTRACTOR BID AGREEMENT

TO:

Village of Oswego
100 Parkers Mill
Oswego, IL 60543

Project Name: **Parkway Tree Replacement**

The undersigned Bidder, in compliance with your advertisement for Bids for work as specified, and related documents prepared by or at the direction of the Village of Oswego, Owner, and being familiar with all conditions surrounding the work, including availability of labor and material, do hereby propose to furnish materials, labor, equipment, and services and pay for same and shall perform all work required for the completion of the Project, in accordance with the Contract documents and at the price provided.

Bidder certifies this Bid to be for the project described in the Instruction to Bidders document and to be in accordance with plans, specifications, and Contract Documents, including the invitation for Bids.

In no event shall any delays or extensions of time be construed as cause or justification for payment of extra compensation to the Contractor. Any claims for an increase of the Contract time shall be made in writing to the Village within seven (7) days of the cause.

Company Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number

Email Address

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Title

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Contractor Qualifications

The Contractor must be experienced in providing said services to local governments. Submitters that cannot demonstrate successful previous experience in the work in this bid will be considered not responsible and will not be considered for award of the contract.

The Contractor must possess (own or rent) and/or assure the availability of sufficient equipment, meeting the requirements that follow, to successfully pursue the work in this bid.

2. Work Schedule

The Contractor shall complete the work required as soon as practicable. The only exception to this requirement will be extenuating circumstances as may be accepted by the Village. Requests for exceptions due to extenuating circumstances must be made in writing to the Village within 48 hours of the occurrence. The Village's decision on extenuating circumstances will be final.

Subsequent to the award of the bid, at the commencement of weather conducive to providing these services, a notice to proceed shall be issued. The Contractor shall commence work as soon as possible thereafter.

Work will not be permitted on Sunday or the following legal holidays:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King's Birthday	Veteran's Day
President's Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Day after Thanksgiving
Independence Day	Christmas Eve
Christmas Day	

All work shall be performed during normal business hours (Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:00 PM). The contractor is responsible for scheduling appointments in advance with the project manager.

Work shall be completed in the spring and fall planting seasons as defined in the Project Specifications.

3. Method of Assignment

The Village may add, delete, or change the work locations or details of the marking layouts at any time during the work period, with at least two (2) working days prior notice to the Contractor.

4. **Equipment**

All Equipment required to perform the contract is the sole responsibility of the Contractor and should be included in the bid. Multiple mobilizations may be expected and will not be treated like extras.

5. **Traffic Control and Public Safety**

Direction of Operation – When traveling in lanes open to the public traffic, the Contractor’s vehicles shall always move with and not against the flow of traffic. These vehicles shall enter and leave work areas in a manner that will not be hazardous to, or interfere with, traffic and shall not park or stop except within designated parking areas.

All equipment shall be maintained in accordance with existing Illinois State Law and shall be supplied with operational amber flashing lights/strobes and have “slow-moving vehicle designators” as required. All vehicles and equipment must be marked to properly identify the Contractor’s company, including phone number and must be visible at all times.

- A. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- B. Regulations of the Department and the Village of Oswego.
- C. Other Federal (including OSHA), State or Municipal acts, statutes, rulings, ordinances, decisions or regulations as might apply.
- D. All subsequent revisions and supplements to the above documents.
- E. The importance of following correct safety procedures is emphasized. The Village reserves the right to disallow payment for any work performed where the proper safety precautions are not followed.
- F. The safety of the public and the convenience of traffic shall be regarded as prime importance. Unless otherwise provided herein, all portions of streets shall be kept open to traffic.
- G. The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety and reasonable protection to all of their employees and other persons and property to prevent damage injury or loss to the same.
- H. Work can be completed during late evening or overnight hours when traffic is minimal.

6. **Bid Bond**

Unless specifically waived, each bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in an amount of ten percent (10%), or such other percentage as stated in the supplementary conditions of the full amount of the bid in the form of a certified or bank cashier’s check or bid bond. In a reasonable time after the bid opening, bid deposits of all except the three lowest responsible bidders will be released. The remaining deposits will be released after the successful bidder has entered into the contract and furnished the required insurance and bonds. The bid deposit shall become the property of the Village if the successful bidder within fourteen (14) days from awarding the contract refuses or is unable to comply with the contract requirements, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.

The bid bond must be uploaded with the bid documents through the DemandStar bid portal and the original must be mailed to: Village of Oswego, Attn. Madeleine Trinco, Bid Bond, 100 Parkers Mill, Oswego, IL 60543.

7. Performance, Labor and Material Payment Bonds

The successful bidder shall furnish at the time of execution of the contract a performance bond for the full amount of the contract to guarantee the completion of any work to be performed by the Contractor under the contract, payment of material used in such work, and for all labor performed in such work including by subcontractors.

Performance bond satisfactory to the Village must be executed by a Surety Company authorized to do business in the State or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to the Village, in an amount equal to 110% of the contract price specified. The surety on the bond shall be a company that is licensed by the Department of Insurance authorizing it to execute surety bonds and the company shall have a financial strength rating of at least A as rated by A.M. Best Company, Inc., Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's Corporation, or a similar rating agency.

The performance, labor and material payment bond must be emailed to mtrinco@oswegoil.org and the original must be mailed to: Village of Oswego, Attn. Madeleine Trinco, Performance Bond, 100 Parkers Mill, Oswego, IL 60543

In the event that the bidder fails to furnish the bonds within 14 days after notification of the award, then the bid guarantee shall be retained by the Village as liquidated damages and not as a penalty. It is agreed that the sum is a fair estimate of the amount of damages that the Village will sustain due to the bidder's failure to furnish the bonds.

8. Delivery of Materials

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to see that merchandise is delivered within or adjacent to the area of installation repair as specified by the Village.

The work described in this specification shall be done with the least inconvenience. Vehicles must have egress capabilities at all times. The amount of time that normal operations are interrupted must be kept to an absolute minimum and shall be coordinated with the Village.

The Contractor is responsible to protect all existing and newly installed work, materials, equipment, improvements, utilities, structures, and vegetation at all times during the course of this contract. Any property or incidentals damaged during the course of this contract shall be repaired or replaced to the satisfaction of the Village.

9. Injury to Property

In case any direct or indirect damage is done to public or private property by or because of the work, or in consequence of any act or omission on the part of the Contractor, his employees or

agents, the Contractor shall, at his own cost, restore such property to a condition similar or equal to that existing before such damage was done, by repairing, rebuilding, or otherwise restoring, as may be required by the Village, or shall make good such damage in a satisfactory manner; and in case of failure on the part of the Contractor to promptly so restore or make good such damage, the Village may, upon 48 hours written notice, proceed to repair, rebuild, or otherwise restore such property as may be necessary, and the cost thereof will be deducted from any monies due to become due to the Contractor under the Contract; or the Director of Public Works may deduct from any monies due to the Contractor a sum sufficient, in the judgment of the Village, to reimburse the owners of the property so damaged.

10. Decisions and Explanations by Village

The Village shall decide any and all questions which may arise as to the quality and acceptability of materials furnished and work performed and as to the manner of performance and rate of progress of the work and shall decide all questions which may arise as to the interpretations of any or all plans relating to the work and of the specifications, and all questions, as to the acceptable fulfillment of the Contract on the part of the Contractor; and the Village shall determine the amount and quantity of the several kinds of work performed and materials which are to be paid for under the Contract, and such decision and estimate shall be final and conclusive, and such estimate, in case any questions shall arise, shall be a condition precedent to the right of the Contractor to receive any money due under the Contract. Any doubt as to the meaning of any of the provisions of the specifications, Contracts, or plans will be interpreted by the Village. The decision of the Village will be final.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Preparation and Submission of Bids:

- A. Each bid shall be submitted on the exact form furnished. All blank spaces for bid prices, unit costs and alternates must be filled in using both words and figures if indicated. In case of any discrepancy in the amount Bid, the prices expressed in written words shall govern.
- B. Each Bidder must submit a complete Bid package, including the following items:
 - a) **Bidding Documents**
 - b) **Signed Contract**
 - c) **Signed Bid Sheet**
 - d) **Detailed exception sheet**
 - e) **Subcontractors list**
 - f) **References**
 - g) **Signed Contractor Bid Agreement**
 - h) **Signed Addendum**
 - i) **Bid Bond (scanned and mailed)**
- C. Bidders may attach separate sheets to the Bid for the purpose of explanation, exception, alternate Bid and to cover unit prices, if needed.
- D. Bidders may withdraw their Bid either personally or by written request at any time before the hour set for the Bid opening and may resubmit it. No Bid may be withdrawn or modified after the Bid opening except where the award of the contract has been delayed for a period of more than thirty (30) days.
- E. In submitting this Bid, the Bidder further declares that the only person or party interested in the bid as principals are those named herein; and that the Bid is made without collusion with any other person, firm or corporation.
- F. The Bidder further declares that he has carefully examined this entire Bid Package, and he has familiarized himself with all of the local conditions affecting the contract and the detailed requirements of this work and understands that in making the Bid he waives all rights to plead a misunderstanding regarding same.
- G. The Bidder further understands and agrees that if his bid is accepted, he is to furnish and provide all necessary machinery, tools, apparatus, and other means to do all of the work and to furnish all of the materials specified in the contract, except such materials as are to be furnished by the owner (Village), in the manner and at the time therein prescribed, and in accordance with the requirements therein set forth.
- H. The Bidder further agrees that if the Village decides to extend or shorten the work, or otherwise alters it by extras or deductions, including the elimination of one or more of the items, as provided in the specifications, he will perform the work as altered, increased or decreased.
- I. The Bidder further agrees that the Village representative may at any time during the progress of the work covered by this Contract, order other work or materials incidental thereto and that all such work and materials as do not appear in the Bid or contract as a specific item covered by a lump sum price, and which are not included under the Bid price for other items in the Contract, shall be performed as extra work.

- J. The Bidder further agrees to execute all documents within this Bid Package, for this work and present all of these documents to the Village.
- K. The Bidder further agrees to execute all documents within this Bid Package, obtain a Certificate of Insurance for this work and present all of these documents within fifteen (15) days after the receipt of the Notice of Award and the Contract.
- L. The Bidder further agrees to begin work not later than ten (10) days after receipt of the Notice to Proceed, unless otherwise provided, and to execute the work in such a manner and with sufficient materials, equipment and labor as will ensure its completion within the time limit specified within the Bid, it is understood and agreed that the completion within the time limit is an essential part of the contract.
- M. By submitting a Bid, the Bidder understands and agrees that, if his Bid is accepted, and he fails to enter into a contract forthwith, he shall be liable to the Village for any damages the Village may thereby suffer.
- N. No Bid will be considered unless the party offering it shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the Village that he has necessary facilities, ability, and pecuniary resources to fulfill the conditions of the Contract.
- O. No Bid shall be considered unless the party offering it shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the Village that he has the necessary facilities, ability, and pecuniary resources to fulfill the conditions of the Contract.

2. **Additional Information Request:**

Questions regarding this Bid and specific questions regarding the specifications in this Bid can be emailed to Madeleine Trinco, Management Analyst, at mtrinco@oswegoil.org. Answers will be provided in writing to all potential Bidders; No oral comments will be made to any Bidder as to the meaning of the Bid and Specifications or other contract documents. Bidders will not be relieved of obligations due to failure to examine or receive documents, visit the site or become familiar with conditions or facts of which the Bidder should have been aware of, and the Village will reject all claims related thereto.

Information (other than in the form of a written Addendum issued by the Village) from any officer, agent, or employee of the Village or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the Bidder or relieve him from fulfilling any of the conditions and obligations set forth in the bid and other contract documents. Before the bids are opened, all modifications or additions to the bid documents will be made in the form of a written Addendum issued by the Village. Any Addendum issued will be posted on the Village's website. In the event of a conflict with the original contract documents, addenda shall govern all other contract documents to the extent specified. Subsequent addenda shall govern over prior addenda only to the extent specified.

The Bidder shall be required to acknowledge receipt of the formal Addendum by signing the Addendum and including it with the bid quotation. Failure of a Bidder to include a signed formal Addendum in its bid quotation shall deem its quotation non-responsive: provided, however, that the Village may waive this requirement if it in its best interest.

3. **Conditions:**

The Bidder is responsible for being familiar with all conditions, instructions, and documents governing this project and Bid. Failure to make such investigation and preparations shall not excuse the Contractor from the performance of the duties and obligations imposed under the terms of this contract. The Bidder acknowledges that local ordinance permits the Village to give preference to local businesses.

- A. The Village is exempt from Federal excise tax and the Illinois Retailer's Occupation Tax. This Bid cannot include any amounts of money for these taxes.
- B. To be valid, the Bids shall be itemized so that selection for purchase may be made, there is included in the price of each unit the cost of delivery (FOB Destination).
- C. The Village shall reserve the right to add or to deduct from the Alternate Bid any item at the prices indicated in the itemization of the Bid.
- D. All Bids shall be good for thirty (30) days from the date of the Bid opening.
- E. Bidders shall be required to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, including those relating to the employment of labor without discrimination on the basis of age, race, color handicap, sex, national origin or religious creed and prevailing wages

4. **Award of Bid:**

The Village reserves the right to reject any or all bids or packages and to waive any informality or technical error and to accept any bid deemed most favorable to the interests of the organization.

- A. The items of work not specifically mentioned in the Schedule which are necessary and required to complete the work intended shall be done incidentally to and as part of the items of work for which a unit price is given. No additional payment will be made for such incidental work. The Bidder shall be responsible for identifying all costs to complete the project on time and in order to create a functional and operational system in accordance with the Plans and Specifications.
- B. The Village has the sole discretion to award the alternate bid based upon the best interest of the Village.
- C. All awards made in accordance with this Code are final determinations.
- D. The Contract shall be deemed as have been awarded when formal notice of award shall have been duly served upon the intended awardee.
- E. In addition to price, the Village will consider:
 - Ability, capacity, and skill to fulfill the contract as specified.
 - Ability to supply the commodities, provide the services or complete the construction promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference.
 - Character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, and efficiency.
 - Quality of performance on previous contracts.
 - Previous and existing compliance with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.
 - Sufficiency of financial resources.
 - Quality, availability, and adaptability of the commodities, services or construction, in relation to the Village's requirements.
 - Ability to provide future maintenance and service under the contract.
 - Number and scope of conditions attached to the Bid /bid.

- Record of payments for taxes, licenses or other monies due to the Village.

5. **Rejection of Bids:**

- A. The Village reserves the right to cancel invitations for Bids or requests for bids without penalty when it is in the best interest of the Village. Notice of cancellation shall be sent to all individuals or entities solicited.
- B. The Village reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive any minor informality or irregularity in any Bid, to negotiate changes and/or modifications with the lowest responsible Bidder and to make an award to the response deemed to be the most advantageous to the Village.
- C. Any Bid not conforming to the specifications or requirements set forth by the Village in the Bid request may be rejected.
- D. Bids may also be rejected if they are made by a Bidder that is deemed un-responsible due to a lack of qualifications, capacity, skill, character, experience, reliability, financial stability or quality of services, supplies, materials, equipment or labor.

6. **Equal Opportunity:**

The Bidder will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, place of birth, age or handicap unrelated to bona fide occupational qualifications.

7. **Non-Discrimination:**

The Bidder, its employees, and subcontractors agree not to commit unlawful discrimination and agree to comply with applicable provisions of the Illinois Human Rights Act, the U.S. Civil Rights Act and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act, and rules applicable to each.

8. **Execution of Documents:**

The Bidder, in signing the Bid on the whole or any portion of the work, shall conform to the following requirements:

- A. Bids signed by an individual other than the individual represented in the bid documents shall have attached thereto a power of attorney evidencing authority to sign the Bid in the name of the person for whom it is signed.
- B. Bids that are signed for a partnership shall be signed by all of the partners or by an attorney-in-fact. If signed by an attorney-in-fact, there shall be attached to the Bid a power of attorney evidencing authority to sign the Bid, executed by the partners.
- C. Bids that are signed for a corporation shall have the correct corporate name thereof and the signature of the President or other authorized officer of the corporation manually written below the corporate name.
- D. If such Bid is manually signed by an official other than the President of the Corporation, a certified copy of a resolution of the board of directors evidencing the authority of such official to sign the Bid should be attached to it. Such Bid shall also bear the attesting signature of the Secretary of the corporation and the impression of the corporate seal. If the Bid is signed for a limited liability company, it should have the correct legal name and be signed by the managing member or another person with authority.

- E. Bids received from any listed Contractor in response to an invitation for bids shall be entered on the abstract of Bids and rejected. Bids, quotations, or offers received from any listed Contractor shall not be evaluated for the award or included in the competitive range, nor shall discussions be conducted with a listed offer or during a period of ineligibility. If the period of ineligibility expires or is terminated prior to award, the village may, but is not required to, consider such bids, quotations, or offers.

CONTRACT

This contract is entered into this ____ day of _____ 2023, by and between the Village of Oswego (Village) and _____ (Contractor).

The entire Bid package together with all Exhibits and attachments and the following sections apply to all bids requested and accepted by the Village and become a part of the contract unless otherwise specified. The Village assumes that submission of a bid means that the person submitting the bid has familiarized himself with all conditions and intends to comply with them unless noted otherwise.

1. **Definitions:**

The definitions set forth in the Bid Packet are incorporated herein.

2. **Conditions:**

The Contractor is responsible for being familiar with all conditions, instructions, warranties, and documents governing this project and Bid. Failure to make such investigation and preparations shall not excuse the Contractor from the performance of the duties and obligations imposed under the terms of this contract.

3. **Retainage During Guarantee Period:**

Out of the amount representing the total amount due upon completion of work in any month, the Village shall deduct ten percent (10%) and shall hold such sum for a guarantee period which shall expire not less than ninety (90) days after the completion of the last work done in the Contract Work Period of each year.

4. **Billing/Invoicing:**

All billing and invoicing will be at the completion of the job with detailed itemized billing. Billing will include the date, the work performed, and the total cost. After receipt of a correct invoice, payments shall be due and owing by the Village in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Illinois Compiled Statutes, Ch. 50, Sec. 505, et. seq.;

If in the opinion of the Village, the Contractor has not or is not satisfactorily performing the work covered by this specification, and within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of a written demand from the Village, for performance, has not cured any defect in performance specifically itemized in such demand, the Village may, at its option:

- A. Withhold payment.
- B. Consider all or any part of this contract breached and terminate the Contractor, or
- C. May hire another Contractor to cure any defects in performance or complete all work covered by this specification for the remaining term of this contract.
- D. Any demand for performance shall be specifically delivered to the Contractor by personal delivery, certified or registered mail.

The Village will make periodic inspections and follow up as needed with the Contractor to discuss any issues.

5. **Insurance and Bond Requirements:**

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Agreement insurance against claims for injuries to persons, damages to property, and/or other applicable damages that may arise in connection with the performance of work and/or services under this Agreement as follows:

A. Minimum Scope of Insurance – The insurance coverage to be procured and maintained by Contractors shall be at least as broad as the following:

- i. **Commercial General Liability Insurance.** Commercial general liability insurance with minimum coverage amounts of \$2,000,000 general aggregate; \$2,000,000 products-completed operations aggregate; and \$1,000,000 each occurrence for bodily injuries, death, and property damage, and personal injury resulting from any one occurrence, including the following endorsements, coverages, and/or conditions:
 1. Shall name the Village as an additional insured in accordance with the obligations and conditions set forth below.
 2. Blanket contractual liability coverage, to the extent permitted under Illinois law, including, but not limited to, Contractor’s contractual indemnity obligations under the Agreement.
 3. Premises-Operations and Independent Contractors.
 4. Broad form property damage coverage.
 5. Personal injury coverage.
 6. Must be endorsed as Primary and Non-Contributory as to any other insurance of the Additional Insureds.
 7. If the Additional Insureds have other insurance that is applicable to the loss, such other insurance shall be on an excess or contingent basis to any Subcontractor’s policy.
- ii. **Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance.** Comprehensive automobile liability insurance with minimum coverage amounts of \$1,000,000 any one accident for bodily injuries, death, and property damage resulting from any one occurrence, including all owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles.
- iii. **Workers’ Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance.** Statutory Workers’ Compensation coverage complying with the law of the State of Illinois and Employers’ Liability Insurance with minimum limits at \$1,000,000 each accident, including occupational disease coverage with a limit of \$1,000,000 per employee, subject to policy minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per annum.
- iv. **Umbrella / Excess Liability Insurance** Umbrella / Excess Liability Insurance. Umbrella or excess liability insurance is written over the underlying employer’s liability, commercial general liability, and automobile liability insurance described above on a following-form basis with minimum coverage amounts of \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate, with coverage at least as broad as the underlying policies.

- a. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions - Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Village. At the option of the Village, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Village, its officials, employees, agents, and volunteers; or the Contractor shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation, claim administration and defense expenses.
- b. Contractor's Obligations - The Contractor shall have the following obligations with regard to required insurance under the Agreement:
 - i. The insurance policies required under this Agreement, including excess or umbrella liability policies, shall be endorsed to contain the following provisions: the Village and its officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on each of the policies with respect to liability arising out of ongoing and completed operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor, including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations and automobiles, owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor. General liability coverage additional insured status shall be provided in the form of an endorsement to Contractor's insurance at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85, or if not available, through both ISO Form CG 20 10, or CG 20 26, or CG 20 33; and CG 2037; 10 01 Edition date. All additional insured coverage shall be for both ongoing and completed operations.
 - ii. The Contractor shall provide evidence of the required insurance coverages under this Agreement by providing a copy of the actual policy/policies, endorsement(s) and certificates of insurance evidencing such coverages. All certificates of insurance required to be obtained by the Contractor shall provide that coverages under the policies named shall not be canceled, modified, reduced or allowed to expire without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice given to the Village. All certificates evidencing coverage extended beyond the date of final payment shall be provided at the time of the final Pay Request.
 - iii. The Contractor shall provide immediate notice to the Village upon the cancellation of any insurance policy or policies required hereunder.
 - iv. All insurance required of the Contractor shall state that it is Primary and Non-Contributory Insurance as to all additional insureds with respect to all claims arising out of operations by or on their behalf and shall be provided by Endorsement CG 20 01. If the Village has other applicable insurance coverages, those coverages shall be regarded as excess over the additional insured coverage. Contractor shall, with respect to all insurance required under this Agreement, endorse or require each policy to waive any and all rights of subrogation for losses and or damages arising from the work and/or services provided by the Contractor against the Village or other Additional Insured except where not permissible by law.
 - v. The Contractor shall require that every Subcontractor of any tier working on the Project associated with this Agreement to obtain insurance of the same types and amounts as that required of Contractor, naming the same as additional insureds subject to the same restrictions and obligations as set forth in the Contractor's

insurance required under the Agreement, including waivers of subrogation in favor of the Village.

- vi. Under no circumstances shall the Village be deemed to have waived any of the insurance requirements of this agreement by any act or omission, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. Allowing work by the Contractor or any Subcontractor of any tier to start before receipt of the required insurance policy, endorsement, and/or certificates of insurance; or
 - 2. Failure to examine, or to demand the correction of any deficiency, of any insurance policy, endorsement, and/or certificate of insurance received.
- vii. The Contractor agrees that the obligation to provide insurance is solely the responsibility of the Contractor and the Subcontractors of any tier and cannot be waived by any act or omission of the Village.
- viii. The purchase of insurance by the Contractor under this Agreement shall not be deemed to limit the liability of the Contractor in any way, for damages suffered by the Village in excess of policy limits or not covered by the policies purchased by the Contractor.
- ix. The Contractor shall notify the Village, in writing, of any possible or potential claim for personal injury or property damage arising out of the work and/or services of this Agreement promptly whenever the occurrence giving rise to such a potential claim becomes known to the Contractor.
- x. The Contractor further agrees to cause contractual liability endorsements to be issued by the insurance companies and attached to the above-mentioned policies to include under the coverage therein an extended obligation on the part of the insurers to insure against Contractor's contractual liability hereunder and to indemnify the Village and its agents against loss, liability, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, and court costs, and further agrees that said coverage shall be afforded therein against all claims arising out of the operation of any structural work law or law imposing liability arising out of the use of scaffolds, hoists, cranes, stays, ladders, supports or other mechanical contrivances.
- xi. All insurance and performance and payment bonds required hereunder shall be placed with an insurer or insurers authorized to conduct business in the State of Illinois with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A, unless otherwise acceptable to the Village.

6. **Indemnification:**

To the fullest extent permitted by Illinois law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, save and hold the Village, their trustees, officers, employees, agents, attorneys and lenders harmless from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the work and/or services under the Agreement, provided that such claim, damage, loss, or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by Contractor, or anyone for whose acts Contractor may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder or claimed to be due in whole or in part to the active,

passive, or concurrent negligence or fault of a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity that would otherwise exist as to a party or person described in this Section.

4. **Force Majeure:**

Whenever a period of time is provided for in this Agreement for the Contractor or the Village to do or perform any act or obligation, neither party shall be liable for any delays or inability to perform if such delay is due to a cause beyond its control and without its fault or negligence including, without limitation: a) Acts of nature; b) Acts or failure to act on the part of any governmental authority other than the Village or Contractor, including, but not limited to, enactment of laws, rules, regulations, codes or ordinances subsequent to the date of this Agreement; c) Acts of war; d) Acts of civil or military authority; e) Embargoes; f) Work stoppages, strikes, lockouts, or labor disputes; g) Public disorders, civil violence, or disobedience; h) Riots, blockades, sabotage, insurrection, or rebellion; i) Epidemics or pandemics; j) Terrorist acts; k) Fires or explosions; l) Nuclear accidents; m) Earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, or other similar calamities; n) Major environmental disturbances; or o) Vandalism. If a delay is caused by any of the force majeure circumstances set forth above, the time period shall be extended for only the actual amount of time said the party is so delayed. Further, either party claiming a delay due to an event of force majeure shall give the other party written notice of such event within three (3) business days of its occurrence, or it shall be deemed to be waived.

5. **Liquidated Damages:**

Time is of the essence of the contract. Should the Contractor fail to complete the work within the specified time stipulated in the contract or within such extended time as may have been allowed, the Contractor shall be liable and shall pay to the Village the amount of \$500.00, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages, for each day of overrun in the contract time or such extended time as may have been allowed. The liquidated damages for failure to complete the contract on time are approximate, due to the impracticality of calculating and proving actual delay costs. These deductions are for the cost of delay to account for administration, engineering, inspection, supervision, and other costs and expenses during periods of extended and delayed performance. The costs of delay represented by this schedule are understood to be a fair and reasonable estimate of the costs that will be borne by the Village during an extended and delayed performance by the Contractor of the work.

6. **Contract Term:** The contract shall begin upon contract approval and shall be for a two-year period and may be renewed for up to one additional year not to exceed November 30, 2027, in which the final warranty expires.

7. **Change Orders:**

After the contract is awarded, additional purchases or modifications may be made under the contract, or the terms of the contract may be extended, without rebidding the materials, supplies, services or equipment involved, provided that the change order:

- A. Is not of such a size or nature as to undermine the integrity of the original Bidding process; and
- B. Is germane to the original contract; and

- C. Does not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the contracted amount; and
- D. It is approved by the Board of Trustees or by the Village Administrator, or his/her designee for change orders that are not greater than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).

8. **Compliance with Laws and Regulations:**

In addition to the Bid and performance bonds set forth above, the Contractor must furnish and pay for satisfactory any other security required by law or by the specifications for this particular project. Upon receipt of the performance bond, the Village will return the Bid bond to the Contractor.

- A. The Contractor must comply with all applicable laws prerequisite to doing business in the state.
- B. The Contractor must have a valid Federal Employer Tax Identification Number or Tax Identification Number (for individuals).
- C. The Contractor must provide a Statement of Compliance with provisions of the State and Federal Equal Opportunity Employer requirements.
- D. The Contractor must provide evidence of any professional or trade license required by law or local ordinance for any trade or specialty area in which the Contractor is seeking a contract award. Additionally, the Contractor must disclose any suspension or revocation of such license held by the company, or of any director, officer or manager of the company. Any material changes to the Contractor's status, at any time, must be reported in writing to the Village within 14 days of its occurrence. Failure to comply with this requirement is grounds for the Contractor to be deemed non-responsible.

9. **Independent Contractor:**

There is no employee/employer relationship between the Contractor and the Village. Contractor is an Independent Contractor and not the Village's employee for all purposes, including, but not limited to, the application of the Fair Labors Standards Act minimum wage and overtime payments, Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the Worker's Compensation Act (820 ILCS 305/1, et seq.). The Village will not (i) provide any form of insurance coverage, including but not limited to health, worker's compensation, professional liability insurance, or other employee benefits, or (ii) deduct any taxes or related items from the monies paid to Contractor. The performance of the services described herein shall not be construed as creating any joint employment relationship between the Contractor and the Village, and the Village is not and will not be liable for any obligations incurred by the Contractor, including but not limited to unpaid minimum wages and/or overtime premiums, nor does there exist an agency relationship or partnership between the Village and the Contractor.

10. **Approval and Use of Subcontractors:**

The Contractor shall perform the Services with its own personnel and under the management, supervision, and control of its own organization unless otherwise approved by the Village in writing. All subcontractors and subcontracts used by the Contractor shall be at the discretion of the Village and in advance by the Village. The Village's approval of any subcontractor or subcontract shall not relieve the Contractor of full responsibility and liability for the provision, performance, and completion of the Work in full compliance with, and as required

by or pursuant to, this Contract. If the Contractor chooses to use subcontractors to perform any of the Work, the Work performed under any subcontract shall be subject to all of the provisions of this Contract in the same manner as if performed by employees of the Contractor. Every reference in this Contract to “Contractor” shall be deemed to also apply to all subcontractors of the Contractor. Every subcontract entered into by the Contractor to provide the Work, or any part thereof shall include a provision binding the subcontractor to all provisions of this Contract.

If any personnel or subcontractor fails to perform the part of the Work undertaken by it in a manner satisfactory to the Village, the Contractor shall immediately upon notice from the Village remove and replace such personnel or subcontractor. The Village shall have no claim for damages, for compensation in excess of the contract price, or for a delay or extension of the contract time as a result of any such removal or replacement.

11. **Assignment:**

Neither the Village nor the Contractor shall assign or transfer any rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

12. **Governing Law:**

This Contract and the rights of Owner and Contractor under this Contract shall be interpreted according to the internal laws of the State of Illinois. The venue for any action related to this Contract will be in the Circuit Court of Kendall County, Illinois.

13. **Changes in Law:**

Unless otherwise explicitly provided in this Contract, any reference to laws shall include such laws as they may be amended or modified from time to time.

14. **Time:**

The Contract Time is of the essence of this Contract. Except where otherwise stated, references in this Contract to days shall be construed to refer to calendar days.

15. **Termination:**

The Village shall have the right at any time and for any reason (without any penalty) to terminate, in whole or in part, this Contract, provided that the Village shall provide Contractor at least thirty (30) days’ prior written notice of such termination whereupon this Agreement shall automatically terminate immediately after the 31st day.

A. When this contract, or any portion hereof, is terminated or canceled by the Village, and the Contractor released before all items of work included in this contract has been completed, payment may be made be prorated as a percentage of completion of the actual work at contract unit prices, and no claims for loss of anticipated profits or other damages will be made and are hereby waived.

B. Termination of a contract, as stated above, will not relieve the Contractor or his/her surety of the responsibility of replacing defective work or materials.

16. Piggybacking Clause:

This contract may be used to purchase supplies, equipment or perform any work on facilities or properties under the jurisdiction of the Village of Oswego including, but not limited to, interior and exterior building renovations and repairs, site work, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, concrete, masonry, maintenance of bridges, roofing replacement and/or repairs, streetscape repairs and improvements to Village sites. This Contract may also be used as a joint purchase agreement between the Village, Oswego Community School District 308, Oswegoland Park District, Oswego Library District, Oswego Township, Oswego Fire Protection District, as well as any other agencies at the discretion of the Village.

17. Additional Items:

The Contractor hereby:

- A. Certifies that it is not barred from Bidding or contracting with the Village as a result of a violation of either Paragraph 33E-3 (Bid rigging) or 33E-4 (Bid rotating) of Act 5, Chapter 720 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes regarding criminal interference with public contracting; and
- B. Swears under oath that it is not delinquent in the payment of any tax administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue as required by Chapter 65, Act 5, paragraph 11-42.1 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes; and
- C. States that it has a written sexual harassment policy as required by the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105(A) (4) a copy of which shall be provided to the Village upon request; and
- D. Agrees to comply with the requirements of the Illinois Human Rights Act regarding Equal Employment Opportunities as required by Section 2-105 of the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105) and agrees to comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause, Section 750, Part 750, Chapter X, Subtitle B of Title 44 of the Illinois Administrative Code incorporated herein by reference; and
- E. Agrees to comply with the civil rights standards set forth in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act as mandated in Executive Order No. 11246, U.S.C.A. Section 2000e n.114 (September 24, 1965); and
- F. Agrees to comply with the Substance Abuse Prevention on Public Works Projects Act (820 ILCS 265/1 et seq.) if this project is a “public work” within the meaning of the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/.01 et seq.) and prohibit substance abuse while performing such work and has a substance abuse prevention program; and
- G. Agrees to provide a drug-free workplace pursuant to the Drug-Free Workplace Act (30 ILCS 580/1 et seq.) (25 or more employees under a contract of more than \$5,000 or for individuals only when greater than \$5,000); and
- H. Agrees to comply with the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570/0.01 et seq.) and employ Illinois laborers if at the time of this contract is executed or if during the term of this contract there is excessive unemployment in Illinois as defined in the Act.

CONTRACT SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed or caused to be executed by their duly authorized agents, this contract in DUPLICATE, each of which shall be deemed original, on the day and year first written.

VILLAGE OF OSWEGO:

By: _____
Village President

Attest: _____
Village Clerk

CONTRACTOR:

By: _____
Signature

Print Name and Title

Attest: _____
Witness

APPENDIX A

Pre-Approved Species

- Triumph Elm
- New Horizon Elm
- Chinkapin Oak
- Swamp White Oak
- Burr Oak
- English Oak
- Espresso Kentucky Coffee Tree
- Hackberry
- London Plane Tree
- Yellowwood
- Tulip Tree
- Redpointe Maple
- State Street Maple

APPENDIX B

Prohibited Species

- Fruit trees
- Silver Maples
- Willows
- Box Elders
- American Elms
- Chinese Elms
- Tree of Heaven
- Pear Trees (All Varieties)
- Cottonwood
- Catalpa
- Conifers (Evergreens)
- Aspen
- Hawthorns
- Ash Trees (All Varieties)