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**SPECIFICATIONS  
AND  
BID DOCUMENTS**

**One (1) New Commercial  
120" Cut Rotary Turf Mower**

**One (1) New Commercial 72"  
Cut Rotary Turf Mower with  
Hard Cab, Six Foot (6 ft.)  
Rear Discharge Deck and  
Snow Blower**

**One (1) New 3-Wheel Sports  
Field/Bunker Infield Rake**

**PARKS & RECREATION**

**2014**

**ADVERTISEMENT TO BIDDERS  
FOR  
ONE (1) NEW COMMERCIAL 120" CUT ROTARY TURF MOWER**

**ONE (1) NEW COMMERCIAL 72" CUT ROTARY TURF MOWER WITH HARD CAB,  
SIX (6) FOOT REAR DISCHARGE DECK AND SNOW BLOWER**

**ONE (1) NEW 3-WHEEL SPORTS FIELD/BUNKER INFIELD RAKE**

**PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA**

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk, 100 East First Street, Grand Island, NE 68801 or P.O. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE, 68802 until **2:00 PM (Local Time), January 14, 2014** for furnishing **One (1) New Commercial 120" Cut Rotary Turf Mower, One (1) New Commercial 72" Cut Rotary Turf Mower with Hard Cab, Six (6) Foot Rear Discharge Deck and Snow Blower, One (1) New 3-Wheel Sports Field/Bunker Infield Rake**, FOB the City of Grand Island. Bids will be publicly opened at this time in the Grand Island City Council Conference Room #1, located on 1st Floor of City Hall. Bids received after the specified time will be returned unopened to sender.

Trade-in offered: **One (1) 1993 Smitco Ballfield Groomer, 16 HP Kohler Engine, Model #13-450, front blade, center scarifier and rear rake blades.**

Trade-in can be viewed at the **Parks Division, 1707 W Oklahoma, Grand Island, NE 68803, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.**

The City reserves the right to trade-in, sell or keep this existing unit.

Specifications are on file in the office of the Parks Division. Bids shall be submitted on forms, which will be furnished by the City.

Bids will be evaluated by the Purchaser based on price, demonstration (if requested), quality, warranty, adherence to specifications, delivery, and adaptability of the particular equipment for the specific use intended. The Purchaser reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities, and to accept whichever bid that may be in the best interest of the City, at its sole discretion.

No bidder may withdraw his/her bid for a period of thirty (30) days after date of bid opening.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

**GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS AND BID SHEET  
FOR  
ONE (1) NEW COMMERCIAL 120" CUT ROTARY TURF MOWER**

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SIX (6) FOOT REAR DISCHARGE DECK AND SNOW BLOWER**

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PARKS DIVISION  
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**Exceptions to Specifications** - Any bidder who has exceptions to any specifications and requirements listed in the bidding documents must so state in the space provided below. It is the bidder's responsibility to clearly outline any exceptions. Failure by bidder to outline exceptions will require the successful bidder to comply with the specifications.

**Exceptions to specifications:**

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Attached are detailed minimum specifications. The following general specifications also apply to this bid.

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| <b>Bid Submittal</b>          | Bids must clearly state on the outside of the envelope - One (1) New Commercial 120" Cut Rotary Turf Mower, One (1) New Commercial 72" Cut Rotary Turf Mower with Hard Cab, Six (6) Foot Rear Discharge Deck and Snow Blower and One (1) New 3-Wheel Sports Field/Bunker Infield Rake. Bidders are not required to submit a price/bid on all three (3) items in this Request for Bids.                               |
| <b>Manuals</b>                | Refer to specifications.   |
| <b>Warranty</b>               | The equipment shall carry the standard warranty; bidder should include warranty details with the bid; failure to comply may cause bid rejection.   |
| <b>Descriptive Literature</b> | The bidder shall attach hereto, and it shall be made part of this bid, regularly printed literature as published by the factory which sets out and fully describes the equipment to be furnished in the bid. This literature or other supplemental information shall clearly indicate compliance with each and every item of these Specifications. Failure to indicate compliance may be cause for rejection of bid. |
| <b>Optional Equipment</b>     | The general and detailed specifications are the minimum requirements. Bidder may include optional equipment if desired. Optional equipment should be noted as such.  |

**OSHA & ANSI  
Requirements**

In addition to other specified requirements, the equipment shall meet all current Occupational Safety and Health Administration and American National Standards Institute requirement specifications.

All 72" mowing equipment will have ROPS protection provided with cab on and when cab is removed from mower in summer months, a folding ROPS protection is required.

**Delivery**

Equipment is to be delivered from manufacturing point to Grand Island, Nebraska, by commercial freight, rail or truck.

**Delivery Date**

Each bidder shall state in his/her bid a realistic delivery date for this equipment. Award winning bidder must deliver within quoted delivery time.

**Payment**

The equipment must be new, the latest make or model, unless otherwise specified. Prior to approving the invoice for payment, the City reserves the right to thoroughly inspect and test the equipment to confirm compliance with specifications. Any equipment which does not meet the City's requirements will be returned at vendor's expense for correction. Any specified data, diagrams and manuals must be received prior to approval of invoice. The invoice will be paid after approval at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting occurring after departmental approval of invoice; the City Council typically meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Invoices must be received well in advance of Council date to allow evaluation and processing time.

**Trade-In**

Successful bidder will include in said bid a trade-in value and accept as trade-in one (1) 1993 Smitco Ballfield Groomer, 16 HP Kohler Engine, Model #13-450, front blade, center scarifier and rear rake blades. For further information or to arrange a viewing of existing equipment, contact Gregg Bostelman, Park Superintendent, (308) 385-5426. Purchaser reserves the right to accept trade-in value or retain groomer and sell outright.

**Fair Employment Practices** - Each bidder agrees that he/she will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, religious creed, ancestry, handicap, sex or political affiliation.

**Data Privacy** - Bidder agrees to abide by all applicable Local, State, and Federal laws and regulations concerning the handling and disclosure of private and confidential information concerning individuals and corporations as to inventions, patents and patent rights. The bidder agrees to hold the City harmless from any claims resulting from the bidder's unlawful disclosure or use of private or confidential information.

**Independent Price Determination** - By signing and submitting bid, the bidder certifies that: the prices in the bid have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other bidder or with any competitor.

**Clarification of Specification Documents** - Vendors shall promptly notify the Purchasing Agent of any ambiguity, inconsistency or error which they may discover upon examination of the specifications. Interpretations, corrections and changes made to the specifications will be made by written addenda. Oral interpretations or changes to the specifications made in any other manner will not be binding on the City; and bidders shall not rely upon such interpretations or changes.

**Demonstration/Samples** - If requested, the bidders shall, at bidder's expense, demonstrate and/or furnish samples of the exact item(s) proposed within seven (7) calendar days from receipt of such request from the City.

**Bid Evaluation and Award** - No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after bid due date. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive technicalities and to accept the bid considered by the Purchaser to be in the City's best interest. The bid will be evaluated based on price, demonstration (if requested) quality, warranty, adherence to specifications, delivery, and adaptability of the particular equipment for the specific use intended.

**Gratuities and Kickbacks** - Gratuities. It shall be unethical for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any City employee or former City employee, or for any City employee or former City employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefor. Kickbacks. It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

**Fiscal Years** - The City of Grand Island, Nebraska operates on a fiscal year beginning October 1st and ending on the following September 30th. It is understood and agreed that any portion of this agreement which will be performed in a future fiscal year is contingent upon the City Council adopting budget statements and appropriations sufficient to fund such performance.

**CITY OF GRAND ISLAND  
BID REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS**

The City of Grand Island, Nebraska, Parks & Recreation Department, requests sealed bids for the following:

**One (1) New Commercial 120" Cut Rotary Turf Mower**

**One (1) New Commercial 72" Cut Rotary Turf Mower with Hard Cab,  
Six (6) Foot Rear Discharge Deck and Snow Blower**

**One (1) New 3-Wheel Sports Field/Bunker Infield Rake**

As part of the Bid Request the following items are attached:

**Advertisement to Bidders  
General Specifications  
Bid Request Instructions  
Minimum Bid Specifications with Bid Sheet**

Sealed bids must be received by 2:00 PM (Local Time), on January 14, 2014 and be addressed to:

**City Clerk  
City of Grand Island  
(Street Address) 100 East 1st Street, Grand Island, NE 68801  
(Mailing Address) P.O. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802-1968**

Bid must include the following:

Warranty Information/Extended Warranty Information (attach copy to bid)  
Descriptive Literature  
Proposed Program for Parts/Service Availability  
Tire Brand Name and Specifications

All information required in specifications must be included with bid. Supplementary material that the bidder wishes to include will be appreciated, but is not required.

Please direct bid questions to Gregg Bostelman, Park Superintendent (308) 385-5426.

## Minimum Bid Specifications

The units described shall be new, 2013 or 2014 Models, and manufacture's latest design and production, complete, including all standard equipment and any optional equipment as deemed necessary by the City of Grand Island. Use of brand names is for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance and characteristics described and is not intended to limit or restrict competition. The units shall be complete with all parts and components not specifically mentioned in this specification but which are required to provide a complete unit. The units must arrive serviced and ready for work. The City will consider any unit that meets required minimum specifications as stated herein. Depending on individual prices, purchases may be made from more than one (1) vendor. The City of Grand Island reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any technicalities, at its sole discretion.

Item #1

### **REQUIRED MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS FOR:** **One (1) New Commercial 120" Cut Rotary Turf Mower**

1. ENGINE:
  - 55 net HP minimum and torque adequate for cutting long grass in all types of weather and terrain. 4 cylinder diesel, liquid cooled, radiator should be heavy duty construction, situated so it does not attract debris and easily cleanable in the field, pressure lubrication system with spin off oil filter, Donaldson Heavy Duty air cleaner with 18 gallon minimum fuel capacity and replaceable fuel filter. The mowing unit should not produce more than 94 dB(A) of noise with decks engaged.
2. TRANSMISSION:
  - Variable speed hydrostatic traction drive with hydrostatic closed loop system, foot operated traction pedal and transmission oil cooler with filter. Drive full time 4-wheel hydrostatic drive, 2-wheel for transport, front and rear wheel motors.
3. SPEED:
  - Forward transport speed minimum 14 mph.
4. TIRES:
  - Tubeless turf tread on demountable rims with large surface area to provide good traction in slippery conditions while not scuffing the turf. A minimum 6-ply tire is required on the traction unit.
5. STEERING:
  - Automotive type full power rear wheel steering with maximum turning in either direction. Steering wheel tilt to desired operator position.
6. SEAT:
  - High back suspension seat with armrests and forward-backward adjustments.
7. ELECTRICAL:
  - Large capacity automotive type 12 volt system with keyed on-off switch, heavy duty battery and fuses/circuit breaker protection, gauges to include an hour meter, fuel gauge, temperature gauge, oil pressure, glow plug and ammeter. Road light kit mounted on mowing unit at time of delivery to include front and rear four-way flashers and front lights.

8. BRAKES:
  - Individual wheel and parking brakes on front traction wheels. Dynamic braking obtained by hydrostatic traction drive.
9. MANEUVERABILITY:
  - Very tight turning circle while rear tires stay within the cut swath and does not swing out to hit obstacles.
10. DECK: Outfront Cutting Deck Preferred
  - Hydraulic lift mowing units with drive to be hydraulic. Units can be run using a combination of the 3 decks. Units to be rear discharge. Cutting height easily adjustable from 1 – 5 inches in ½ inch increments. Cutting width at least 120 inches. Ground contour following and anti-scalping should be at least as good as 72" trim mowers. Bi-directional, impact absorption device on each wing deck.
11. CLEARANCE:
  - Minimum of 6 inches. Ground clearance to allow for climbing most obstacles incurred in mowing parks and roadside areas or during transport.
12. FRAME:
  - The frame should be welded steel construction with enough rigidity and strength to provide durability throughout the life of the product and with all types of cutting units and attachments.
13. ROPS:
  - ROPS required on unit.

Item #2
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**REQUIRED MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS FOR:**

**One (1) New Commercial 72" Cut Rotary Turf Mower with Hard Cab, Six (6) Foot Rear Discharge Deck and Snow Blower**

1. ENGINE
  - 25 HP minimum, 3 cylinder diesel, liquid cooled, pressure lubrication system with spin off filter, Donaldson heavy duty air cleaner or equal, with 10 gal. minimum fuel capacity.
2. DRIVE TRAIN
  - Variable speed hydrostatic drive with foot operated traction pedal and transmission oil cooler with filter, 4-wheel drive, 2-wheel for transport.
3. SPEED
  - Transport Speed minimum 10 MPH.
4. TIRES
  - 2 front and 2 rear tubeless minimum 4-ply turf tread.
5. STEERING
  - Hydraulic power steering with automotive type steering wheel and rear wheel steering.



6. SEAT
  - High back suspension seat with armrests and forward-backward adjustments.
7. ELECTRICAL
  - 12-volt system with keyed on-off switch, gauges to include – coolant temperature, oil pressure warning light, hour meter, glow plug indicator, ammeter.
8. IMPLEMENT LIFT AND DRIVE
  - Hydraulic lift, drive to be hydraulic or PTO shaft driven.
9. DECK
  - Minimum 7 gauge steel, reinforced at stress points, cutting heights adjustable approximately from minimum 1” to maximum 5” range adjustable in maximum of 1/2” increments, caster wheels to be pneumatic wheel and tire assembly, 72” rear discharge deck with mulching mower blades.
10. DELIVERY
  - Mower will be delivered with cab installed and mower deck attached to unit.

#### EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENTS

1. SNOW BLOWER
  - Two stage, minimum 47” maximum 48” width, hydraulic or electric chute rotation, adjustable skid shoes, quick hitch mounting with applicable mounting kits, counter weights as needed. Capable of handling wet heavy snow.
2. CAB
  - ROPS mower cab, steel constructed with 360° full view safety glass, door entry from either side, side and rear windows open for ventilation, premium quality upholstered interior and rubber floor mat to provide a quiet environment; with heater-defroster fan, front head lights, 4-way flashers, front wiper, interior mirror.

Item #3
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**REQUIRED MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS FOR:**  
**One (1) New Commercial 3-wheel Sports Field/Bunker Infield Rake**

1. ENGINE
  - 9 HP minimum, air cooled, electric key start, 12 volt battery, minimum 3.5 gallon fuel tank, gasoline engine, heavy duty air filter system for dusty conditions.
2. STEERING
  - Automotive type steering wheel
3. ATTACHMENTS
  - Center mount scarifier bar.
  - Rear power lift drag with rake blades and adjustable scarifier teeth.
4. TIRES
  - High Flotation type.

WARRANTY:

- Equipment shall carry the standard warranty; bidder should include warranty details with bid.

MANUALS:

- One (1) each operation, service, parts, and maintenance overhaul manuals.

DEMONSTRATION:

- The vendor or manufacturer of any machine, which is seriously considered for award shall at the request of the customer, demonstrate his/her machine at a mutually agreed time and location and in the presence of authorized customer representatives. Any applicable fee for providing a demonstration shall be clearly noted in the Bid Form. Failure of the demonstration to meet customer's requirements may be judged as non-conformance to this specification.

DELIVERY:

- Units shall be delivered to the Grand Island Parks Division, 1707 W. Oklahoma, Grand Island, Nebraska, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday. City shall receive forty-eight (48) hours notice prior to delivery of units. Contact Gregg Bostelman at (308) 385-5426 to make arrangements.

**THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.**



Terms will be Net 30 unless otherwise stated by bidder.

The equipment warranty is as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder acknowledges that Addenda Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ were received and considered in Bid preparation.

Attached to the bid is all supplementary information requested in the bidding documents.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, and to waive any informalities and to enter into such contract as it shall deem to be in the City best interest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bidder Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person Completing Bid (please print) / Signature

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: any exceptions to specifications must be noted in the space provided on page one of General Specs.