



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Fencing replacement and installation

Introduction

Lincoln Park Zoo is a historic, 49-acre zoo located in the heart of Chicago. Lincoln Park Zoo cares for nearly 200 species, employs approximately 300 full-time and seasonal workers, and welcomes 3.6 million visitors annually from around the world. It is committed to Chicago's communities, offering camps, programs, and events year-round.

Overview

Lincoln Park Zoo is seeking an experienced contractor to remove and replace the various types of older fencing throughout the zoo, per our zoo standards.

Project Scope

This request for proposal is intended to cover all labor, materials, permits, warranties, and insurance, as well as all other duties as needed to fabricate, deliver, and install perimeter Iron World Fencing—specifically, powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts sunk in concrete—plus Deacero or post and cable fencing at various locations. The contractor will remove the existing fencing and recycle or dispose of it; or, at the direction of Lincoln Park Zoo staff, move fencing into storage onsite. The contractor will provide any materials as needed to install new fencing. The contractor will ensure all posts are secure in concrete. The contractor will install fencing based on the following list:

Perimeter Fence

1. West Gate – remove one access gate on the southernmost section and replace with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 8 linear feet by 9 ½ feet tall to meet the existing column cap. Attach to the existing brick columns.

2. West Gate – remove existing swing gates and install new swing gates and Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts— approximately 23 linear feet by 9 ½ feet tall to meet the existing column cap. Attach to the existing brick columns. Or, retrofit existing swing gates to achieve 9 ½ feet tall height.
3. West Gate – remove existing revolving exit gate and replace with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compatible revolving exit gate. Attach to the existing brick columns. The top of the fence over the revolving exit gate should achieve 9 ½ feet in height.
4. Replace existing panels north of revolving gate approximately 21 linear feet length with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 9 ½ feet tall.
5. Pritzker Family Children’s Zoo – remove existing fence that sits on top of the brick wall and replace with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 6 ½ feet tall— approximately linear 155 feet. Total height should be at approximately 9 ½ feet.
6. Regenstein Small Mammal-Reptile House Service Entrance – replace two existing panels with two new panels approximately 9 ½ feet tall.
7. North of Brauer gate – replace existing finials on top of perimeter fence with taller finials to achieve 8 feet tall total height—with approximately 140 linear feet and 12 finials per panel.
8. Replace existing fence north of Bus Drop-Off gate starting with the pedestrian gate north of revolving exit. Replace with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 8 linear feet and 9 feet tall.
9. At Bus Drop-Off revolving exit, place Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum above the entrance adding approximately 4 feet.
10. Replace existing service double gate with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum with steel posts approximately 20 linear feet by 9 feet tall.
11. Replace existing fence north of service gate around to meet sidewalk with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 210 linear feet and 9 feet tall.

12. At Lester E. Fisher Bridge entrance gate, replace north fence with Iron World Fencing powder-coated aluminum panels with steel posts approximately 25 linear feet by 9 feet tall.

Deacero Fence

1. North Side of Regenstein African Journey's rhino habitat – remove existing aluminum fence and replace with Deacero: approximately 90 linear feet. Include one plexiglass insert viewing window panel. Include one gate. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement project.
2. Northwest of rhino habitat near Conservatory Gate – remove existing aluminum fence and replace with Deacero: approximately 22 linear feet. Include one plexiglass insert viewing window panel. Include one gate. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement project.
3. Southwest of rhino habitat near service gate at Regenstein African Journey – remove existing aluminum fence and replace with Deacero: approximately 70 linear feet. Include two plexiglass insert viewing window panels. Include one gate. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement project.
4. South of rhino habitat south of service gate at Regenstein African Journey – remove existing aluminum fence and replace with Deacero: approximately 150 linear feet. Include two plexiglass insert viewing window panels. Include one gate. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement project.
5. South side of gibbon habitat at Helen Brach Primate House – remove existing aluminum fence and replace with Deacero: approximately 150 linear feet. Include two plexiglass insert viewing window panels.
6. North of red river hog habitat at Regenstein African Journey – replace wire mesh with Deacero: approximately 40 linear feet by 8 feet high (or similar standard size). Install double gate to allow for Bobcat equipment entry. Replace aluminum fence with Deacero: approximately 40 linear feet. Install double gate to allow for Bobcat equipment entry. Install one plexiglass insert viewing window panel.

Post and Cable Fence

1. West Gate entry garden bed east – approximately 115 linear feet. Install post and cable fence where nothing currently exists.

2. West Gate entry garden bed west – approximately 105 linear feet. Install post and cable fence where nothing currently exists.
3. West Gate plinth bed – south: approximately 85 linear feet; north: approximately 75 linear feet. Install post and cable fence where nothing currently exists.
4. North of North Gate in garden – approximately 185 linear feet. Install post and cable fence where nothing currently exists. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement projects.
5. North and south of rhino service gate at Regenstein African Journey – approximately 110 linear feet. Replace existing chain link fence with post and cable.
6. Around bur oak west of gibbon habitat at Helen Brach Primate House – approximately 225 linear feet. Remove existing chain link and replace with post and cable.
7. Southeast corner of Park Place Cafe – approximately 65 linear feet. Remove existing chain link and replace with post and cable.
8. From Bus Drop-Off service entrance north to chimpanzee outdoor habitat at Regenstein Center for African Apes – approximately 225 linear feet. Coordinate with aggregate/concrete replacement project

Please provide a budget and timeline for each numbered fence section. Lincoln Park Zoo reserves the right to select from the list which projects move forward.

Work shall be done in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

Logistics

Project Schedule:

RFP Released: June 20, 2022

Proposals Due: July 8, 2022

Decision Communicated: Week of July 11, 2022

Installation Goal: July through October 2022 (all work must be finished by December 31, 2022)

Submission Requirements

- Provide an overview of the company's organization, resources, and support capabilities.
- Contractor must be union.
- Submit one comprehensive proposal. Please include a projected timeline and cost estimate for each numbered fence section above.
- Provide information regarding bidder's status as a Minority Business Enterprise or Women Business Enterprise. Contractors certified as such are preferred.
- Include your company's Diversity Statement or policy.
- Provide a list of current and past projects employing company's services that have similar requirements to those of the zoo.
- Successful bidders must comply with the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.
- The preferred submission format is electronic PDF.

Submission Inquiries and Delivery

- Site visits can be scheduled between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Monday through Friday to review logistics. Please contact Vice President of Operations Brendan Daley at bdaley@lpzoo.org to schedule a site visit.
- If you have questions, please email Director of Purchasing Marla Molinelli at mmolinelli@lpzoo.org.
- Please submit your proposals to Director of Purchasing Marla Molinelli via email at mmolinelli@lpzoo.org by July 8, 2022.

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Qualifications and experience
- Current and previous similar projects
- Timeline and budget