



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Asphalt Pathway Repair and Replacement

Introduction

Lincoln Park Zoo is a historic, 49-acre zoo located in the heart of Chicago. Lincoln Park Zoo cares for more than 175 species, employs almost 300 full-time and seasonal workers, and welcomes 3 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 paving, construction, or general contractor firm to repair and replace various sections of asphalt pathways around Lincoln Park Zoo.

Project Scope

This Request for Proposal is intended to cover all labor, materials, permits, warranties, and insurance, plus all other duties as needed to remove, repair, and replace asphalt pathway around Lincoln Park Zoo. It is expected that sufficient sub-structure of gravel or CA6 will be installed and compacted prior to asphalt installation. Additionally, any soil in areas adjacent to the pathways will be replaced with soil specified by the Horticulture team. The replaced section size is to be verified in the field. Further, certain sections will be seal-coated and crack-sealed only.

Carlson Cottage: Approximately 2,000 square feet of asphalt to be removed and replaced with new.

Café Brauer: Approximately 300 square feet of asphalt to be removed and replaced with new.

Farm-in-the-Zoo: Approximately 19,000 square feet of asphalt to be crack-sealed and seal-coated.



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

Logistics

Project Schedule:

RFP Released: July 20, 2023

Proposals Due: August 11, 2023

Decision communicated: Week of August 28, 2023

Installation Goal: Summer/Fall 2023

Submission Requirements

- Provide an overview of the company's organization, resources, and support capabilities.
- Provide a projected timeline and budget. Budget should be itemized for each area of pathway work. The zoo may move forward with one, some, or all of the areas of pathway work depending on timeline and budget.
- 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.
- All work must be completed by April 2024.
- The preferred format for submission is PDF.

Submission Inquiries and Delivery

- The Carlson Cottage and Café Brauer sites are available for a visit anytime, as it is not enclosed within a fence. Farm-in-the-Zoo site is available for a visit during regular zoo hours.
- A site walk-through may be scheduled if prospective bidders are interested.
- 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 August 11, 2023. Late proposals will not be accepted.

Selection Criteria

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

- Qualifications and experience

- Current and previous similar projects
- Timeline and budget