REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Concrete 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 concrete 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 concrete pathways around Lincoln Park Zoo. It is expected that sufficient sub-structure of gravel or CA6 will be installed and compacted prior to concrete installation and that appropriate rebar and/or wire mesh will be installed in new concrete. Additionally, vendor will replace any soil voids adjacent to the pathways with soil specified by the zoo’s Horticulture team. All square footage is to be verified on grounds.

Regenstein Small Mammal Reptile House: Approximately 3,000 square feet of concrete to be removed and replaced with new concrete colored to match zoo standard aggregate brown color.
The Patio at Café Brauer: Approximately 400 square feet of concrete to be removed and replaced with new.
The Patio at Café Brauer: Approximately 100 square feet of concrete to be added at the two entrances, making an American Disabilities Act-accessible ramp.
Searle Visitor Center: Approximately 200 square feet of concrete to be installed.
East Gate Entrance: Approximately 350 square feet of concrete to be removed and replaced with a sloping entryway that includes ADA-accessibility features.
Lionel Train loop pathway: Approximately 2,300 square feet of new concrete to be installed. Vendor to remove existing concrete and stone pathway.
McCormick Bird House: Approximately 200 square feet of new concrete to be installed.
Work shall be done in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

**Logistics**

**Project Schedule:**
- RFP Released: Thursday, July 20, 2023
- Proposals Due: Friday, 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 Patio at Café Brauer and the East Gate Entrance sites are available for a visit anytime, as it is not enclosed within a fence. Regenstein Small Mammal-Reptile House is available during regular zoo opening hours. Searle Visitor Center is available for a visit upon request.
• 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