

## **BID SPECIFICATIONS MOWING SERVICES**

1. Furnish all equipment and manpower and maintain equipment.
2. Mow the following list of roadways and properties every two weeks, unless otherwise stated, or to maintain a maximum weed and grass height of 10", whichever comes first, unless the grass, weeds, etc., have not grown quickly enough to need mowing. If Contractor believes lawn care services are not necessary for a location in the time frame specified above, Contractor shall notify Client of same for each such location, and Client shall be able to direct Contractor as to whether or not Client believes lawn care service is desirable for each such location.
3. All mowing widths unless otherwise stated are from the edge of or road pavement to the property line or crop line.
4. Any weed eating and trimming will be required to maintain all weeds and grass under a maximum height of 10".
5. Any mowing, weed eating or trimming must be performed with satisfactory effort to leave a minimum height of 2" to avoid bare ground or damage to established grass or cover and to eliminate erosion potential.
6. Appropriate traffic safety control steps must be practiced to ensure maximum public safety.
7. Before mowing any of the properties, contractor must pick up all trash and other debris and remove to a proper waste facility.
8. **Contractor shall submit a bid price on the attached Bid Form for mowing the following: (price is per mowing for the mowing season/contract period):**
  - Benton City Hall – 1009 Main Street.
  - Marshall County Art Center – 1202 Elm Street.
  - Cone's lift station at entrance of Old Symsonia Rd. (Hospital)
  - Marshall County Jail lift station
  - Slickback Road lift station
  - Oak Grove Road lift station
  - Water Plant at 701 Poplar Street
  - 3 walking bridges on Main Street – trim around them
  - Small portion of sidewalk in Bent Creek near empty lot (sidewalk to curb only)
  - Nichols Memorial at the entrance of Country Trace
  - Strow Cemetery located behind Fire Department on W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Lot on Poplar Street located behind Marshall County Art Center
  - Right-of-way beginning near Pizza Hut entrance to entrance before Chambers & Sons
  - Lot behind Benton Electric System shop at W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street & Mayfield Highway
  - Empty lot beside W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street bridge
  - Fire Department located 412 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street
  - 541 Mayfield Highway behind Fire Department
  - 1303 Hickory Street near Fire Department

9. The bid prices submitted may be considered separately by the City and may be awarded separately or together, in the City's discretion.
10. Contractor must have proper liability insurance coverage and worker's compensation insurance for any employees hired by contractor. Contractor will be required to provide certificate of insurance before contract begins.
11. Contractor must have a valid City of Benton Occupational License (Business License) and must withhold City of Benton Occupational License on gross wages (payroll tax) on all employees while working in the city limits of Benton.
12. Contract shall be an independent contractor, shall not be construed as an employee of the City, and shall not be entitled to any benefits afforded to City employees.
13. Please note: Contract period will begin upon acceptance of bid by the City (will be considered at the March 19, 2018 council meeting) until notice is given by the Mayor that the mowing season is over for this calendar year. This contract may be extended by additional mowing periods in future years at the same price, pending agreement by all parties and the city council.
14. The City shall evaluate the services of Contractor from time to time throughout the period of this contract and may terminate this contract upon five (5) day's notice to Contractor in the event Contractor has not faithfully performed the duties required of him hereunder and as contemplated by the specifications. Upon cancellation, Contractor shall not be entitled to damages of any nature or any further compensation as contemplated herein.
15. **Contractor shall submit only the attached Bid Form indicating each bid price during the contract period and the attached Statement of Experience.**
16. Contractor must enter into a written Contract with the city setting forth these terms.
17. Payments will be made to the contractor per mowing after each item on the mowing list is successfully completed and an invoice is submitted.